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Description:

Dear VEAC I support your reports recommendations. I have lived at Porcupine Ridge (10 minutes NE from Daylesford) for 23 years and have observed the continual degradation of the biodiversity in my and the wider area. We have a fragile landscape that is easily damaged and is often damaged by clearing, grazing, burning, and from extreme pressure from feral animals like foxes, rabbits, goats and deer. We also having climate change coming rapidly with uncertain impacts. The loss of large old trees in Porcupine Ridge has been rapid in the past 10 years. They are falling over everywhere. Land clearing means they ain't being replaced. Loss of hollows and nectar is having devastating impacts on birds, reptiles and mammals. I know the VEAC can do very little about private land management but I know that parks and reserves are vital in providing some refuge for the natural world to do its thing free from the destructive impulses of humans. In 200 years I want there to be places that contain magnificent old trees surrounded by complex natural ecosystems and your reports recommendations will help make that happen. Regards [Paula Roozenburg](#)

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