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Description:

Hi VEAC I am concerned about the proposal to lock up even more of our bush lands into national parks. Victoria has plenty of national parks already and there is very precious little in the way of state forests left to enjoy our outdoors hobbies in. I prospect with a metal detector as a way to keep fit and not being on mains power I rely on wood collection areas to heat my house in winter. Other things to consider is feral animals will be more of a problem if hunters are not allowed access to control their numbers. Bush fire danger will be much higher if areas are locked away. On Black Saturday 173 people died and 2029 homes destroyed by bush fire, not to mention countless wildlife that also perished. Do we want more of that? I don't think so! Leave it as well managed state forests as it is now for all to enjoy. Country towns local economies will also feel the pinch if people are denied access to the forests for their recreational activities. Local stores, bakeries, pubs, caravans parks and fuel stations to name a few. So please consider the people whose lives will be affected when making your decision.

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