Department of Environment

**RE: Eastern Grey Kangaroo: Controlled Native Species Management Plan**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to you to lodge an objection to the proposed Eastern Grey Kangaroo: Controlled Native Species Management Plan.

I disagree with the decision to declare the Eastern Grey kangaroo a ‘controlled native species’ and thus the Controlled Native Species Management Plan in its entirety. I argue that the ACT Government has taken this step without community consultation and without transparency. Therefore this step should be reconsidered with an appropriate community consultation.

I believe that the ACT Government had not addressed alternative research re grazing impacts of the kangaroo on grassy eco-systems and eco-system function. I argue that kangaroo grazing does not have a deleterious impact on biodiversity.

I argue against the ACT Government claim that kangaroos have no significant predators. They not only have predators such as red foxes and eagles and are impacted by the climate change and urban development particularly.

I believe that managing kangaroo densities through should culling is not an appropriate method of management in 21st century and recommend that ACT Government undertake alternative decision based on an adequate research and with an appropriate community consultation.

Yours sincerely