

**Submission  
No 15**

**INQUIRY INTO IMPACT OF THE PHASE-OUT OF  
AUSTRALIAN LIVE SHEEP EXPORTS BY SEA ON NEW  
SOUTH WALES**

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I am writing this submission as i would like to see the end to live animal exports for the following reasons:

- Australia does not have control of animals once they are transferred to another country and there is evidence of mistreatment of animals when they arrive in countries that do not possess the same standards, compassion and animal ethics as we do
- animals endure severe suffering during long, stressful sea voyages due to their exposure to heat, illness, dehydration, unsanitary and conditions etc .
- Live export harms the environment and contributes to carbon emissions.
- Seeing animals in such distress is deeply troubling and does not reflect the type of country we are and would like to be seen as.
- If Australia is seen as a compassionate, ethical country we will be seen in a better light around the world and set an example for them
- It does not have to be this way as some farmers have already transitioned away from this cruel system to plant-based agriculture etc Alternatives such as the expansion of chilled and frozen export markets is an example of how it is possible to benefit both animal welfare and the economy. New Zealand is an example of how banning live animal exports can have a successful outcome. We can learn from these examples and develop strategies that both protect animal welfare and support our farmers
- Friends i know in my community, who are unlikely to put anything in a submission, like this, are incredibly concerned about the live export practices, particularly how sheep suffer from extreme heat and long journeys.

Thank you for considering my submission