

**INQUIRY INTO MANAGEMENT OF CAT POPULATIONS
IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Cats are being demonised and targeted by baiting, trapping and other inhumane methods, methods that are both cruel and ineffective. The Invasive Species Council is intensifying its attacks on cats, rallying supporters to make submissions that promote lethal controls and call for mandatory cat containment, despite lacking evidence that these measures work. This will lead to terrible suffering for cats. Please, listen to Emma Hurst and the Animal Justice Party...Australia has a bad history of eliminating a species, bringing in other species to control problems...all of which have enabled other 'problems' to take over...there should be programs in place to have all street cats desexed, allow and assist volunteers to feed them...make all pet ownership desexing compulsory and reduce the costs of desexing and make free for low income people...educate people to keep their cats in at night..make it law that people can have pets in their premises if renting..

Emma Hurst and the Animal Justice Party, NSW have excellent information and research

On this subject...please, include them in any discussions and act on the side of compassion and justice.. Anyone who has had the privilege of sharing their life with a cat knows that cats are intelligent, social, playful and loving animals who deserve kindness. Yet right now, the media, governments and organisations such as the Invasive Species Council are pushing inhumane measures that threaten more violence, persecution and suffering for cats....This is horrific, we as human beings should find a resolve that is humane and not seek to harm or eliminate these innocent animals.

Please, there are measures that you as a government can take to help those who care deeply and try so hard to care for street colonies....help them help these cats!! And help lower social economic areas with desexing and allowing them to have their pets with them wherever they reside!

Thankyou