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To: <u>Committee, Environment (REPS)</u>

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The Secretary or Committee Chairperson

Dear Sir/Madam

It's understood a House of Representatives standing Committee is to consider the management of Flying Foxes in the Eastern States Of Australia and is seeking comment.

As one who has been significantly affected by these animals in Catalina NSW in recent months, is clear that proper management of vacant land adjacent to residential areas is a key factor in the management of the Flying Foxes. To assist in preventing the animals creating a residential nuisance cleared vegetation buffers are clearly a requirement in residential areas and its necessary they be properly maintained and managed annually.

The Batemans Bay Water gardens in a residential area of the flying fox debacle got out of hand mainly because the area was not being maintained and properly managed.

The stench from the animals was unbearable at times the mess they made while flying around was also significant.

Lets hope the inquiry members understands that proper regular management and maintenance of vacant public lands significantly controls the Flying Foxes, plans need to be developed where flying foxes are a potential problem and a problem to properly manage these public lands and some private lands surrounding residential areas.

yours Sincerely Allan Brown