To the Chairman of the Committee,

As a co-operative, of appproximately 200 shareholders, who own native vegetation in the Curdies Valley (near Timboon in South West Victoria), we wish to lend our support to the Curdies Valley Landcare Group in their attempts to have the status of feral deer changed.

At present feral deer are afforded similar protection to indigenious animals, we would prefer that deer were treated on the same basis as feral rabbits, foxes, goats, pigs etc.

Deer are causing much damage in our region especially to establishing native vegetation.

Thanking You for your consideration

Stewart Howland Secretary Timboon Bushland Co-operative.