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Subject: RE: Greens Party policy positions on game hunting and firearm ownership.

Hello Scott,

Please find below responses to the Deer Association's survey, on behalf of the Tasmanian Greens.

Position on retaining our wild fallow deer herd in a sustainable position as the premier game species in Tasmania.

Feral deer are responsible for serious damage to farm land, National Parks and the World Heritage Area. The Greens' policy is eradication of feral species such as fallow deer.

Supporting and growing the tradition of recreational / game hunting as a legitimate pursuit for many Tasmanians, our visitors from interstate and overseas.

Hunters play an important part in the eradication of pest and feral species. The Greens recognise that properly regulated shooting has a place in environmental stewardship and land management.

Maintaining our duck hunting season in its current format, with only a true science based approach for regulating season length and bag limits.

The Greens do not support duck shooting. Our policy is a ban on duck shooting.

Position for the continuous support for Firearm owners and facilities for shooting sports. Improving the service output and quality of Firearm Service Department.

We recognise that Firearm Services is under-funded. We support more resources for information and education for shooters. Our Firearms policy can be found here https://tasmps.greens.org.au/green-new-deal/strong-gun-laws-safer-communities

The continuance of the Tasmanian Game Council as a direct feed of relevant quality information to the Minister.

No.

Position on continuance of Game Services Tasmania and your thoughts of this department been made more relevant to Tasmanian game hunters as a source for quality guidance and education on topic such as Quality Game Management, Property Based Management Plans, ethical hunting and increasing quality opportunities for hunting on public land.

The Greens would like to see more funding going into DPIPWE, specifically for Parks management and for the Threatened Species Unit.

Warmest regards,

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The Tasmanian Greens acknowledge the palawa/pakana people as the traditional owners and modern custodians of lutruwita/Tasmania. We pay our deep respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

We acknowledge the First Tasmanians never ceded their sovereignty over this island, and we are committed to Treaty, the return of lands and changing the date of Australia Day.