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**Q1**

First name

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**Q2**

Last name

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**Q3**

Organisation name (if relevant)

Banksia Bush Care Stanwell Park

**Q4**

Email address

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**Q5**

Phone number

[REDACTED]

**Q6**

Yes

Can we contact you about your submission (if required)?

**Q7**

I am a private land manager/owner,

What best describes you?

I am representing an environmental group

**Q8**

**Greater Sydney**

Which of the following regions best describes your location/area of interest?

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**Q9**

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**Q10**

To what extent are the NSW environment, industries and communities currently impacted by invasive species?

Enormously. A survey I carried out for a submission to the senate in 2019 showed that 1,700 rainforest trees in just half of the 4.5 hectare Stanwell Avenue Reserve had been killed or seriously damaged by Rusa deer. Many of those damaged have since died. This area consists of critically endangered littoral rainforest. The only way to protect the regeneraton of the forest is to erect deer fences or put cages around trees.

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**Q11**

To what extent do you think existing programs in NSW are effectively managing invasive species?

So far as Rusa deer are concerned, culling has been a total failure in keeping the numbers down.

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**Q12**

What, if any, are the key barriers to effective management of invasive species?

Not enough culling.

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**Q13**

How has invasive species management changed since the introduction of the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015 legislation and associated programs and plans?

None that I know of

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**Q14**

What are the future risks posed by invasive species to the NSW environment, industries and communities?

The destruction of critically endangered forests

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**Q15**

What opportunities do you see to improve the outcomes of invasive species management in the future?

More culling

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**Q16**

Respondent skipped this question

Any other comments?

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