

Application Number: HRE05002
Submission Received: 30 January 2007

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Request to be Heard: I Wish to be Heard

Decision: COMPLETE ban on the use of aerial 1080. It should only be used as instructed by the manufacturers, i.e. used only in secure bait stations and burrows in the ground. 1080 IS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR AERIAL APPLICATION.

Reintroduce the bounty system for possum control as well as further use of cyanide in bait stations and traps. This would also benefit many people by giving them a source of employment.

Where deer numbers are unable to be managed by means of recreational and/or commercial hunting methods, they should be controlled (not exterminated) by aerial shooting and not by poison. Deer can always be controlled by the use of helicopter gun ships. This has been proven.

Reason: I have 47 years experience working as a commercial hunter as well as a recreational hunter. This includes working as a deer culler for the NZ Forest Service, then going on to being self-employed as a wild game meat hunter, and at times working as a possum hunter, being licensed to use cyanide and working for the Marlborough Redwoods Rabbit Board.

Through obtaining my cyanide licence I was trained to recognise Tb in animals. During all my hunting experience I have never seen a Tb infected feral animal in areas away from farmland. Tb is a farm area and transport problem, and Tb should not be used as an excuse to aerial spread poison throughout the rest of the country.

I was employed with the Nelson City Council for 21 years. Part of

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Decision: to decline application

Reason: i have serious concerns of affects on rongoa (TRADITIONAL MAORI MEDICINE AND KAI)ie piko-piko, tuna (eel) inanga (white bait) esp Long/Short jawed kokopu.

