

Lyons - Feral Rabbit Control

Mr SHELTON question to MINISTER for PRIMARY INDUSTRIES and WATER

As you know, many farmers in our electorate of Lyons have been battling with rabbits in plague proportions. The impact that introduced pest species like rabbits have on the natural environment and the effect of a national shortage of calicivirus cannot be ignored. Recently, you announced that the government has been able to secure a supply of calicivirus but also that the government would monitor the conditions for the suitable time release, which was unlikely to occur until the autumn.

What is the government doing now to support farmers and the wider community to control increased rabbit populations until the calicivirus release can occur?