

# PETITION in support of: **A ban on the use of 1080 in Australia**

To the Honourable President and members of the Senate in Parliament assembled:

The petition of the undersigned shows:

1080 Sodium fluoroacetate is a metabolic poison that is extremely toxic to all air-breathing organisms. It blocks the body's muscle and organs ability to absorb energy from its food, and results in a slow and inhumane death, typically 8 -24 hours for birds, 2-4 days for large mammals. There is no known antidote for this deadly poison. Unintended animals including companion dogs and native animals eat the flesh of poisoned animals and they also suffer horrible deaths. Carcasses remain poisonous until they are completely decomposed, which makes 1080 particularly lethal to unintended native animals, reptiles, invertebrates and amphibians. Animals endure vomiting, screaming fits, drooling, seizures, frenzied behavior and uncontrolled paddling.

All countries have banned this chemical with the exception of New Zealand, a few states in US (where it is strictly monitored), Mexico, Japan, Korea and Israel. The Commissioner of Threatened Species notes 1080 is not humane and we as a country must work toward getting rid of it.

Your petitioners ask that the Senate:

## **Ban 1080 being used in Australia**

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