



# Hunter Bird Observers Club

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## **National Environmental Standards**

**Minister,**

As you develop new Environmental legislation and Environmental Standards, we feel sure you will be addressing the matter of invasive species.

Many, both animal and plant, present significant challenges and none respect artificial boundaries at state and local government level.

The attached may be of interest as it is a specific and very destructive invasive species challenge that can be easily addressed where there is the will to act. Federal leadership will take a solution beyond the optional response of local and state governments.

We look forward to your draft legislation and standards.

Graeme Stevens

(for HBOC Conservation Sub-Committee)

### **About the Hunter Bird Observers Club**

Hunter Bird Observers Club Inc. (HBOC) was established in 1976 and is the largest bird interest group in the Hunter Region with a membership base of 400 members. HBOC is affiliated with Australia's peak bird interest organisation, Birdlife Australia, which has a membership of over 12,000 and a supporter base of over 70,000.

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