

# WGCMA

## *Invasive Animals on Crown Land Parliamentary Committee Inquiry*



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# Catchment Management Authorities

Operate under the **Catchment and Land Protection Act and Water Act.**

- Ten CMAs across Victoria
- 56 Regional bodies across Australia
- Board appointed by State Government
- Cover a large and diverse region



# Responsibilities

## Strategic Planning and Investment in Catchment Health

- Integrated Catchment Management
- Driven by Regional Catchment Strategy and a range of supporting plans

## Waterway Management

- River restoration and protection

## Floodplain Management

- Referrals and Advice

## Environmental Water Reserve Management

- Environmental Flows

## Partnerships and Engagement

- Partnership projects

# WGCMA - Invasive Animals on Crown Land

## Strategic Planning and Coordination of Effort

- *Resourcing for regional planning and coordination*

## Deliver projects to reduce impact of invasive animals on Catchment Health

- *Need to address threats to Alpine Peatlands and Associated Fens*
- *Need to address threats of foxes/dogs on migratory and shore birds around Gippsland Lakes and Corner Inlet Ramsar areas*
- *Need to address threats to riparian areas and water quality throughout the region*
- *Protect significant government investment*

## Partnerships and Engagement

- Coordinate and utilize existing regional/local partnerships ie, Landcare, Agencies