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WILDLIFE (INDIGENOUS GAME BIRDS (QUAIL) HUNTING) NOTICE

I, Steve Dimopoulos, as Minister for Outdoor Recreation and as Minister for Environment make the following Notice:

Dated 2 April 2024

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STEVE DIMOPOULOS MP
Minister for Outdoor Recreation

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Minister for Environment

1. Objective

The objective of this Notice is to prohibit absolutely the use of electronic acoustic quail lures for hunting, taking or destroying specified indigenous game birds (quail) during the 2024 open season.

2. Authorising provision

This Notice is made under section 86(1) of the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

3. Notice prevails

Under section 86(3) of the **Wildlife Act 1975** this Notice prevails over any inconsistent regulation made under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any licence, permit or other authority to take, destroy or hunt any particular kind or taxon of wildlife issued under the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

4. Definitions

In this Notice:

2024 open season means the open season in 2024 for indigenous game birds (quail) as specified by Part 2 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Interim Regulations 2023;

electronic acoustic quail lure means an electronic device made or constructed to emit a sound that resembles or represents a sound made by a quail or a call resembling a quail call;

indigenous game bird (quail) means Stubble Quail (*Coturnix pectoralis*), being the kind or taxon of game set out in Part 2 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Interim Regulations 2023.

5. Commencement and period notice has effect

This Notice takes effect three days after it is published in the Government Gazette and continues to have effect until the end of the 2024 open season.

6. Prohibition of electronic acoustic quail lures for hunting, taking or destroying game

The use of electronic acoustic quail lures to hunt, take or destroy game is prohibited during the 2024 open season, anywhere in Victoria.

7. Contravention of Notice

A person must not contravene any part of this Notice.

Penalty: 25 penalty units.

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