

Inquiry into Crocodile Control and Conservation Bill 2025

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I used to live in the Burdekin where crocodiles are slowly taking over the lower Burdekin river. We use to help bring cattle across the river from the islands near Rita Island. Towards the end of when we were helping 6 years ago, there wasn't a time we didn't see a croc. We had to be careful and would get the helicopter to buzz them to move them away. Cattle are being taken. People can no longer go down and fish off the bank of the river without the fear of running into a croc. The trouble is these animals have no natural enemy only themselves. And man. They have no fear. They will never become extinct. There's too many of them. Why not utilise these animals into tourism. Allow so many be culled a year. At a certain size. Like the way the cull kangaroos. So many tags a year. And open it up for people who are willing to pay so much to hunt them. Have a person that has experience in the croc industry work as a guide so they keep an eye on what is shot. Use the meat for pet food or human consumption and skin used for leather. Please think carefully about this as the crocodile is slowly moving further south. They need to start fearing man again. Make our rivers and ocean safe again.