

# The Kangaroo Population At the Halls Head Treatment Plant

## **ACTION REQUIRED!!**

***(Letter from Beryl Francis who may be contacted through PPG***

The treatment plant at Halls head is currently undergoing an up-grade creating a stressful environment for the resident kangaroo population. As you are probably aware, I have lived across from the plant for the last 15 years and have seen the kangaroo habitat gradually shrink as development encircles them and confines them within the treatment buffer. After many trials to find out if the Water Corp have any management plans in place for the animals, I finally managed to make contact with a gentleman called Harry Goff who is the liaisons person between the Water Corp and the private contractors doing the up-grade. Apparently no one has ever given a thought to what is happening to the 'roos and as an environmentalist, Harry has been very keen to discover more about them and what can be done for their long-term future. He has been taking advice from specialists in this field and has continually updated me on his progress. There are plans to assess the kangaroos and do a night count with the aim of possibly re-locating them and I have been asked if I would be interested in helping out. Of course i said yes. As this will need a fair bit of planning: getting passes to enter the area, some sort of training for volunteers, getting more advise from specialists, it will take time before any of this can go ahead. When all is ready, the count will take place over about 3 nights. Ian and myself, along with Harry, will be involved and if anyone from the Group is interested please let me know.