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Dingoes on Fraser Island are still suffering. 8 Sept. 2012

It is obvious that, to date, nothing has changed for the Fraser Island dingo, a wounded animal is still being sought by rangers, traps surround the K'Gari camp and the area is patrolled day and night in an attempt to destroy a young dingo that locals do not consider to be dangerous. The futility of continually killing animals is evident to all except Qld. Parks and Wildlife.

Most tourists are excited at their first sighting of a Fraser Island dingo, but one visitor was distressed and dismayed at seeing a young animal at K'Gari camp with an ear so badly infected it was in obvious pain and discomfort. The damaged ear would also limit the animals ability to hear and to hunt.

This injury was not the result of a dog fight or any other natural occurrence, but the result of a botched attempt to attach an ear tag. The tourist enquired as to what would be done for the animal and the reply from park rangers was simply that nothing would be done, regardless of the fact that they had inflicted the injury.

This is the care and consideration our native dog is receiving in a World Heritage listed area where the dingo is supposed to be protected. Apart from the legal responsibility, QPWS have a moral obligation to treat humanely all wildlife within their jurisdiction. This is not the case on Fraser Island.

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