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## **MEDIA STATEMENT.**

**Another dingo death on Fraser Island due to vehicle strike.** 15 Sept. 2014

Another dingo death by vehicle strike on Fraser Island. Distressed witnesses stated that the dingo was deliberately targeted, the driver sped up and swerved towards the animal. The dingo was not approaching the vehicle and could have easily been avoided. Another driver that pulled up after the incident followed the vehicle and took the registration number.

The person responsible was questioned by police at the barge landing, he apparently said it was accidental and did not stop because he was afraid of the tour group who were nearby observing the dingo. This seemed to satisfy the authorities.

It is difficult to understand the inaction of QPWS when so many witnesses came forward. A full investigation should be undertaken. A similar incident occurred September last year without anyone being held accountable.

Tour operators have noted the alarming increase in dingo deaths due to vehicle strike over the past couple of years, and with QPWS reluctant to prosecute, it will only continue.

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