## How to Create Carbon Credits - Kill a Camel.

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The people who brought us pink bats and cash-for-clunkers have a new scheme - we can earn carbon credits by shooting wild camels, humanely of course.



Surely it would be far easier to shoot tame cattle? There are big mobs near all of our northern ports going nowhere.

And if greens have their way and stop all live exports, we can earn heaps more by shooting millions of sheep and goats, humanely of course.

What about those mobs of kangaroos? They burn carbon fuel and emit dreaded carbon dioxide. Why should they be spared when the future of the planet is at stake?

One small problem - what do we do with all those carcasses? Left alone they will release all the carbon sequestered within their bodies within a couple of weeks, thus incurring massive carbon debits.

And who counts the dead camels? To prevent carbon cull fraud the economy will boom with jobs for regulators, inspectors, auditors and prosecutors.

And of course, we must not burn diesel, av-gas or gun powder to do the slaughter, so the hunting must be done from horses using bows and arrows.

And if killing camels earns carbon credits, why can't cattle, sheep and goat abattoirs also earn them? (Think of the ball the camel killers could have among the 200 million sacred cows in India).

First they came for camels, and I did nothing.

Then they came for cattle, and I did nothing.

Then they came for me.

## **Further Comment:**

Wild camels are a valuable resource for those with eyes not blinded by the smog of global warming dogma. Here is a comment we made two years ago when this silly suggestion first surfaced:

http://carbon-sense.com/wp-content/uploads/2009/08/camel-cull.pdf

And here is a comment by Paddy McHugh who actually knows something about camels: <a href="http://www.paddymchugh.com/pdfs/Camel%20Cull%20a%20Blind%20Mans%20solution...pdf">http://www.paddymchugh.com/pdfs/Camel%20Cull%20a%20Blind%20Mans%20solution...pdf</a>

Does anyone believe that riflemen in helicopters will kill every camel cleanly and painlessly? Yet our whole live export industry is threatened for a few misdeeds. Here is the most likely final product from the carbon credit harvesters:



Camel Carcasses, Central Australia.
Photo by Paddy McHugh

Here is the final product from the live camel harvesters:



Camel Auction, Australia Photo by Paddy McHugh

Think this is all a hoax? Then check this out:

http://www.climatechange.gov.au/government/initiatives/carbon-farming-initative/methodology-development/methodologies-under-consideration/management-of-feral-herbivores.aspx

Yep, our bureaucrats have put together a 62 page proposal to issue carbon credits for killing feral camels. They note that there is not much use in killing an old camel so the cullers will be required to declare the age of each camel killed, so that that the Government auditors can determine how much pollution will be saved. To help this complex calculation the government is researching the average life expectancy for feral camels.

The document is full of endless dribble, including how the cullers discount the credits they will get by the amount of pollution that is created by the culling.

## Here is a sample:

"There are two options for measuring fuel consumption for  $EV_{c,i,v}$  as detailed below. Option 1 is preferred.

Option 1) Recording of all fuel purchased or pumped for use in these vehicles during the management activities.

Option 2) Recording of all ground vehicle and fuel types and odometer readings before and after management activities.

For Option 2 the amount of fuel consumed is calculated by taking the fuel consumption rating of the vehicle as a litres per kilometre figure and multiplying this by the kilometres of travel undertaken as part of the management activity, then divided by 1000 to convert to kiloLitres, as per the equation below:

$$QV_{c,j,y} = \sum_{gv} \frac{GD_{gv,c,j,y} \times LPK_{gv,j}}{1000}$$

Where:

 $GD_{gv,c,j,y}$  = Ground distance travelled by vehicle gv

using fuel type j in undertaking the management activities c in year y

 $LPK_{gv,j}$  = Litres of fuel type j combusted per

kilometre for vehicle gv"

(Thanks to Helen Dyer for this information.)

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