

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Question No:** 2366

**Asked by:** Mr Andy Meddick (Western Victoria)

**Question:**

To ask the Minister for Agriculture: Given that the number of private properties on which duck shooting offences could occur is vast and largely unknown, how can the Game Management Authority effectively enforce hunting regulations for duck shooters.

**Reply:**

The laws that regulate hunting in Victoria apply to both public and private lands across the state. The powers of Game Management Authority (GMA) Game Officers apply to public and private land and they are authorised to enter private land to conduct compliance activities.

GMA uses a range of intelligence-led strategies to ensure compliance with game hunting regulations across all land tenures, including education, monitoring, encouraging reporting of illegal hunting and targeted enforcement activities.

The GMA operates in partnership with other regulators such as the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning and Victoria Police when conducting its activities on both public and private land.

The Government has also provided a \$6 million funding boost to the GMA, providing for a 30 per cent increase in GMA staff to improve enforcement and stakeholder engagement.



**Jaclyn Symes MP**  
Minister for Agriculture