

## **BRINGING LAW AND CULTURE TOGETHER TO MEET THE CHALLENGE OF APPLYING CONSISTENT PRINCIPLES TO THE MANAGEMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL**

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The Non-indigenous world view varies greatly from the Indigenous world view when it comes to animal management. Historical forms of animal management have been fraught with disaster, disrespect, lacking in knowledge, consultation and negotiation and has often stalled programs for a very long time through the wrong approach. Bringing 'Law and Culture' together is possible if the paths are created in a mutually respectful and consultative manner. Attitudinal change becomes evident when best practice principles are applied over a sustained period. This presentation will highlight the positive way forward that we are seeing in many communities today based on AMRRIC's best practice guidelines. Differing cultures and attitudes can meet respectfully at the coalface of animal management work to achieve great outcomes for animals and their owners under these guidelines.