Public Perceptions And Issues In The Present And Future Management Of Possums

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Management of bovine tuberculosis in brushtail possums in New Zealand has been a focus of wildlife management, with pest control mainly conducted due to the adverse effects of public perceptions of the need for pest control operations. In addition, Attitudes to the seriousness of the possum problem have remained fairly stable. Urquhart's 1991 national survey indicated that these two species present a biological control challenge. 

Currently, strategies for Tb control in possums rely heavily on lethal control. All future costs were discounted using an annual discount rate of 10%. R. & Saunders, L. 2000

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