

## **Possum Response**

Well past 3 score years and 10 I am a mealy bug in a bunch of Chardonnay in the Nelson foothills. Mealy bugs are sapsuckers and have a few million years of history, 700 other plant hosts and are not that helpful to grape growers because they spread viruses that cause uneven ripening.

Introduced fauna from weasle's to wapiti's and fish are pests at whatever population level according to the establishment - Ridiculous.

If the people in charge were transported to a tent town at Williamsons flat in early winter and experienced that the peaks they were viewing extending in every direction are nearly one catchment in South Westland and one in Fiordland some reality might prevail

ZIP Zero introduced predators is an opportunity for extreme sucking on the Taxpayer tit

Money is tight Few young people are interested in real work

Management of introduced animals and fish would be self funding

Only the blind totalitarians in charge can't see it

Meanwhile I'm looking forward to the ripe Chardonnay juice.