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Mr. Greg Dyson  
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OCT 18 2010

Dear Mr. Dyson:

This is in response to your May 19, 2010, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for documents pertaining to wolf-related activities conducted by the Oregon Office of Wildlife Services including:

1. Evidence of training received by any current Oregon Wildlife Services agent on the identification and determination of livestock depredation by wolves;
2. More specifically, evidence of training received by any current agent of Wildlife Services employed to operate in Wallowa County, Oregon, on the identification and determination of livestock depredation by wolves;
3. Any reports prepared by any agent of Wildlife Services regarding any reported livestock depredation by wolves in Oregon, from January 1, 2010 to the present, along with any internal agency correspondence regarding those reports; and
4. All correspondence, including within Wildlife Services, with the public, and with other agencies, regarding possible livestock depredation by wolves in Oregon, from January 1, 2010 to present.

Your request was received on May 25, 2010, and assigned case number 10-470. We apologize for the delay of this response.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and located a total of 352 pages. A review of these pages determine that a total of 163 pages were found to be responsive and are contained on the enclosed CD-ROM. Information has been withheld under FOIA Exemption 3, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3), as its exempt from disclosure by another statute. Pursuant to Section 1619 of the Farm bill, we have withheld the names and addresses of private landowners and/or cooperators. This same information has been withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This Exemption permits the Government to protect from disclosure information that would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Specifically, we have withheld the names, personal home addresses and telephone numbers of private landowners and cooperators.



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The remaining 189 pages were nonresponsive to your request.

You may appeal our denial of this information. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received within 45 days of the date of this letter. Send to:

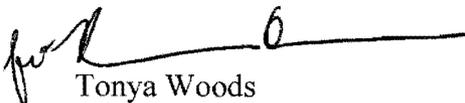
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Washington, D.C. 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA 10-470 in your appeal letter and add the words "FOIA Appeal" to the front of the envelope. To assist the Administrator in reviewing your appeal, provide specific reasons why you believe modification of the determination is warranted.

Also contained on the CD-ROM are copies of your FOIA request, this response letter, and Adobe® Acrobat® Reader™, which is needed to view the responsive records. By opening rp505enu.exe and following the on-screen instructions, you will install Adobe Reader. After the installation, the Adobe Reader should render the PDF files correctly.

Because the cost to process your request is less than \$25, the fee has been waived. If you have any questions, please contact the FOIA Office at (301) 734-8296.

Sincerely,



Tonya Woods  
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