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October 25, 2010

Mr. Richard Blume-Weaver  
231 Eakin Grove Road  
Benton, Illinois 62812

Dear Mr. Blume-Weaver:

This is a partial response to your September 1, 2010, Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for copies of documentation in regard to the purported and actual predation of wolves on livestock in the States of Idaho, Wyoming and Montana from October 2008 to present. Your request was received in this office on September 1, 2010, and assigned case number FOIA 10-656. We apologize for the delay of this response.

Agency employees conducted a thorough search of their files and enclosed on a CD-ROM are 500 documents that are responsive to your request. However, information is being withheld under FOIA Exemption 6, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6). This exemption protects information from disclosure when its release would cause a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. Specifically, we withheld third party names, addresses, and telephone numbers.

You may appeal our partial denial of this information or you may hold your appeal in abeyance until your final response is received. If you choose to appeal, your appeal must be in writing and must be received at the following address within 45 days of the date of this letter:

Administrator  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
Ag Box 3401  
Washington, DC 20250-3401

Please refer to FOIA 10-656 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 is a copy 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, Adobe Reader should render the PDF files correctly.



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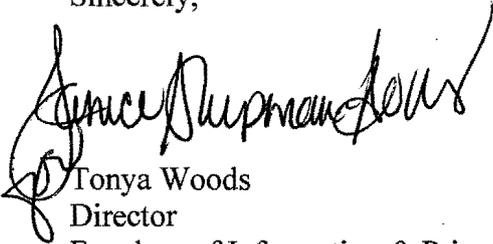
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Due to the delayed processing of your request, all fees have been waived. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Tamara M. Wade of my staff at (301) 734-5268.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tonya Woods". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some loops and flourishes.

Tonya Woods  
Director  
Freedom of Information & Privacy Act  
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Enclosure