



Managing Wildlife Damage on Tribal Lands

All lands are susceptible to wildlife-related problems, such as livestock predation, crop losses, property damage, disease threats, and more. When these problems arise, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Wildlife Services can help. We work closely with Native American communities, at their request, to protect against wildlife damage.

We form partnerships through cooperative agreements, training, outreach, and consultations that ensure Native American cultural heritage and values are respected. Together, we find innovative solutions that balance the needs of wildlife with the needs of people.

What We Offer

Our Wildlife Services specialists have a broad range of skills and expertise. We can help:

- Protect livestock from predators using an integrated wildlife damage management approach, such as using species-specific harassment techniques, effigies and decoys, and, if necessary, wildlife removal.
- Reduce damage to property, crops, and natural resources from feral swine, bears, beavers, and other wildlife.
- Develop wildlife damage management strategies that consider the cultural significance of indigenous wildlife to Native American communities.
- Manage rabies in wildlife.

- Monitor and test for diseases in wildlife that might be transmitted to livestock and people (such as plague, tularemia, highly pathogenic avian influenza, or chronic wasting disease).
- Provide workshops and trainings to producers on integrated predation management for livestock protection.
- Teach Native American youth to use wildlife management techniques and concepts for wildlife stewardship.
- Provide work experiences for Native American youth through our internships, summer employment, and training programs.

To find out how Wildlife Services can help your community, call **1-866-4-USDA-WS**.

For More Information

Wildlife Services is a vital part of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. We lead America's efforts to manage conflicts between people and wildlife so they can coexist. Our programs and research protect U.S. agriculture and natural resources, property and infrastructure, and human health and safety. To learn more about our work, visit aphis.usda.gov/wildlife-damage.