

WORKSHOP OBJECTIVE

To provide information on the science behind non-lethal methods and the practical applications of various non-lethal methods integrated into predator damage management strategies to protect livestock. Discuss the importance of the non-lethal component of managing predator damage as it relates to producers being able to be proactive in managing predation.

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NON-LETHAL PREDATOR DAMAGE MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Wednesday, January 7, 2015

4-H Building

Beaverhead County Fairgrounds

Dillon, MT

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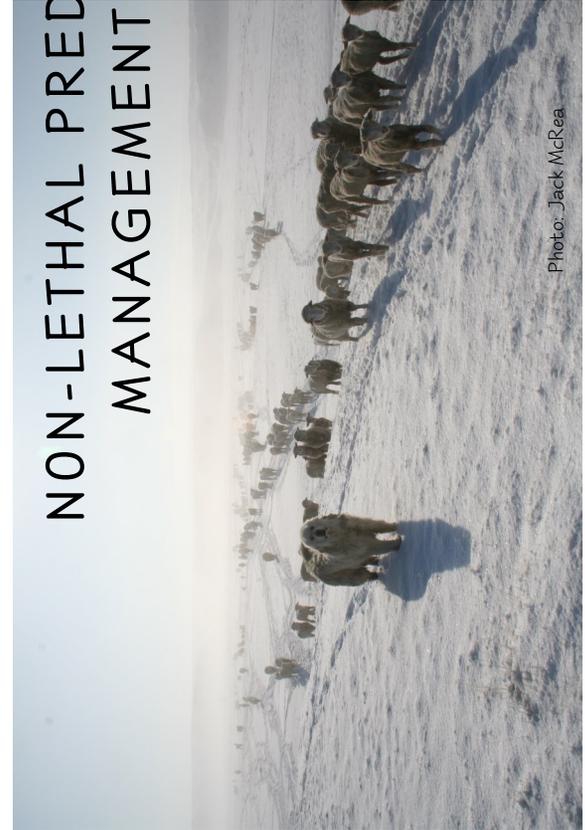


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Non-Lethal Predator Damage Management Workshop

8:00 - 8:30

Registration & Sign-in for Workshop

8:30 - 8:45

Welcome, Agenda Review & Introductions

- ◆ John Steuber, State Director/Supervisory Wildlife Biologist, USDA/APHIS/Wildlife Services

8:45 - 9:15

"The Role of Efficacy, Emotions and Economics in Developing Non-Lethal Tools for Predator Management"

- ◆ Dr. Stewart Breck, Research Wildlife Biologist, USDA/APHIS/Wildlife Services/National Wildlife Research Center

9:15 - 9:45

"Improving Adaptive Deterrent Management Strategies"

- ◆ Dr. Julie Young, Supervisory Research Wildlife Biologist, USDA/APHIS/Wildlife Services/National Wildlife Research Center

9:45 - 10:15

"Update on Current Wolf Population Status and Activity in SW Montana"

- ◆ Nathan Lance, Wolf Specialist, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

10:15 - 10:30

Break

10:30 - 11:00

"Montana Livestock Loss Board Programs: Reimbursement and Grants"

- ◆ George Edwards, Executive Secretary, Montana Livestock Loss Board

11:00 - 11:30

"Update on Current Grizzly Bear Population Status and Conflicts in SW Montana"

- ◆ Kevin Frey, Grizzly Bear Specialist, Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks

11:30 - 12:00

"Does Carcass Management Have a Place and Benefit for Beaverhead and Madison Counties?"

- ◆ Kris Inman, Community Partnerships Representative, Wildlife Conservation Society

12:00 - 1:30

Lunch

1:30 - 2:00

"Preserving a Way of Life among Wolves"

- ◆ Dean Peterson, Board Member, Big Hole Watershed Committee
- ◆ Chet Robertson, Range Rider, Big Hole Watershed Committee

2:00 - 2:30

"I've Got Livestock Guard Dogs, Now What?"

- ◆ John Helle, Owner, Helle Livestock

2:30 - 3:00

"Reducing and Preventing Conflicts with Grizzlies and Wolves: Working in Partnerships from the Bottom Up"

- ◆ Dr. Seth Wilson, Wildlife and Range Rider Coordinator, Blackfoot Challenge

3:00 - 3:15

Break

3:15 - 3:45

"Tools to Help Minimize Livestock Loss Due to Predation - Tom Miner Basin and Centennial Valley"

- ◆ Hilary Zaranek, Tom Miner Basin Association/Centennial Valley Association

3:45 - 4:45

Panel discussion, Questions and Answer with program speakers

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Blackfoot Challenge Range Rider checking the location of wolves using telemetry.
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