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# Wildlife Mitigation Project Survey



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## Objectives

This study aims to collect and compile wildlife mitigation strategies practiced from within the Peace River Region, the rest of BC and Alberta. PRFA of BC is partnering with the BC Ministry of Agriculture Wildlife Compensation Committee and other

partners to compile this information. There is currently not a central location to find wildlife mitigation information, so there will be a central webpage and factsheets created for producers to access at the end of the study.

## Phases of the Study

- Phase 1:** Gather wildlife mitigation information from producers in the Peace Region and from Agriculture Wildlife Program staff experiences.
- Phase 2:** Gather wildlife mitigation information from other parts of BC and Alberta.
- Phase 3:** Compile the costs of mitigation strategies for producers to see the most cost worthy strategies.
- Phase 4:** Demonstrate successful mitigation strategies that can be applied to the Peace Region.
- Phase 5:** Compile factsheets, newsletters, field days and presentations.

## Progress to Date:

- ⇒ 9 producers interviewed
  - ⇒ South Peace - 4
  - ⇒ North Peace - 2
  - ⇒ Chetwynd area - 1
  - ⇒ Bonanza area - 1
  - ⇒ Grimshaw area - 1
- ⇒ 11 more producers contacted to interview this fall.
- ⇒ Literature and expertise gathered from within Peace Region.

## Next Steps:

- ⇒ 4 to 5 Forage Facts highlighting individual operations/producers.
- ⇒ 2 to 3 Forage Facts discussing successful and unsuccessful ungulate/predator mitigation strategies and the associated economic benefits or downfalls.
- ⇒ Continue gathering literature and expertise from other regions and Alberta.

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**Please fill out survey and return to:** PRFA of BC, Box 18, Farmington BC, V0C 1N0

Producer:

Wildlife species causing damage:

Approximate Number:

Type and timing of damage:

**Mitigation Strategies:** What mitigation strategies have you tried on your operation? Please rate the success of each strategy from 1 to 5 (1-bad, 5-excellent)

**Costs:** Please outline your costs associated with ungulate/predator damage on your operation.

**Proposed Solutions and Barriers:** What other wildlife mitigation strategies have you heard of and/or would you like to try? What prevents you from pursuing them?

**Please Note:** Do you wish us to contact you before disclosing any of your information from this survey? If so, please state the best way to reach you.

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