

Greetings,

I am a Montana resident and am writing to urge Mendocino to permanently terminate the contract with USDA Wildlife Services, Agenda Item 5h. Let's end Mendocino's lethal wildlife killing program and encourage the county to adopt a science-based and ethically defensible non-lethal program! There are many cost-effective non-lethal methods of addressing human-wildlife conflicts as put forth by Project Coyote. Montana is thrilled with the success with implementing livestock guard animals, appropriate fencing and innovations like Foxlights.

The Public Trust Doctrine maintains that wildlife is held in the public trust and we all have a say in how our wildlife is managed! Needless and cruel killing and depletion of ecologically vital wildlife is ethically immoral!

Sincerely,

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