

Dear Mendocino County Supervisors,

I was saddened to hear that the removal of the USDA's Wildlife Services is being considered. To place the burden of managing our wildlife on animal control officers on top of the duties they already have is unfair, when funding is already an issue for animal control. We have feral cats and dogs running all over our county, and I am unclear as to how adding wildlife to their plate is going to be beneficial. I myself have a background in natural resources, and I understand that unfortunately, sometimes lethal methods are necessary for the safety of animals and people alike. To advocate for a "non-lethal" management program is ridiculous, and I would like someone to explain to me how feral hogs are going to be rehabbed. It seems like those advocating for this type of program either do not live around nuisance wildlife, or do not understand the history of invasive species and how they are managed. I greatly value the beauty of our county and state, and would like to preserve that beauty by continuing to fund the USDAs Wildlife Services. Thank you so much for your time.

Best,

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