

5e) Discussion and Possible Action Including Approval of Retroactive Cooperative Service Agreement (CSA) with the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS), and Wildlife Services (WS), in the Amount of \$189,556 to Provide a Work and Financial Plan for the Mendocino County Integrated Wildlife Damage Management Program, for the Period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Dear Supervisors,

I am encouraging you to adopt a non lethal and educational service that protects the wildlife in Mendocino County. We can follow the example of many other counties that have humane methods that are not cruel and dangerous to wildlife.

For nearly a decade, Humboldt County has paid tax dollars to Wildlife Services to kill hundreds of native animals under contract. Data from that federal wildlife-killing program shows that in the period from 2008-2017, Wildlife Services killed at least 178 coyotes, 54 black bears, 43 gray foxes, 23 mountain lions, 483 raccoons, 880 skunks, and 112 opossums in Humboldt County.

My tax dollars should not be used to kill coyotes for ranchers. I sent you a letter last time the issue came up, but unfortunately you were not ready then to vote in favor of caring and protecting Mendocino's precious wildlife!

With your support, we can get this done.

Thank you for considering a humane approach.

Sincerely, Annemarie Weibel