

**Part I – Agency Profile**

**Agency Overview**

The Idaho Wolf Depredation Control Board (“Board”) was created in 2014 within the Office of the Governor. The Board is tasked with “directing and managing funds” for the purpose of wolf depredation control within the State of Idaho. The law enacted in 2014 is based on the recommendation from the Fish and Game Advisory Committee to Governor Otter addressing wolf depredation funding in Idaho. The Fish and Game Advisory Committee identified four important elements that the law should encompass. First, a long-term solution should include a 3-way partnership between livestock owners, sportsmen, and the legislature (general funds). Second, a wolf depredation control program should provide for equivalent matching dollars from Idaho sportsman for contribution made by livestock producers, up to \$110,000. Third, funds should be made available to eligible agency partners that will implement wolf depredation control actions within Idaho. Finally, funding dedicated to wolf depredation control should not be used for compensation purposes.

**Core Functions/Idaho Code**

**Fund Administration:** The Board is responsible for the administration of the wolf control fund. The management of the fund includes setting procedures and standards for payment from the fund, entering into contracts and agreements with federal, state, or other political subdivision of the state.

**Revenue and Expenditures**

<b>Revenue</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>
Wolf Control – Livestock	\$0	\$0	\$105,300	\$95,400
Wolf Control – Fish & Game	\$0	\$0	\$54,600	\$105,300
Wolf Control – Other Subaccount	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
General Fund Match	\$0	\$0	\$400,00	\$400,000
Interest			(700)	3,300
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$559,200</b>	<b>\$604,000</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>
Personnel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$195,800	\$412,200
Capital Outlay	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Trustee/Benefit Payments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$195,800</b>	<b>\$412,200</b>

**Profile of Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided**

<b>Cases Managed and/or Key Services Provided</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>
Depredation investigations	N/A	N/A	63	85
Wolf removal for livestock protection	N/A	N/A	29	65
Wolf removal for ungulate protection	N/A	N/A	21	20

**Cooperative Service Agreement:** The Board signed a Cooperative Service Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services (“Wildlife Services”) in August of 2014 which has been extended through July, 2017. The purpose of the agreement is to facilitate the authorized expenditures of funds by the Board from the Wolf Control Fund to Wildlife Services to be used by Wildlife Services to conduct a program for the management and control of depredating gray wolves in Idaho for the protection of livestock and wild ungulates, utilizing integrated wildlife damage management methodologies.

The Board signed a Work/Financial Cooperative Agreement with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game to provide services to protect elk from unacceptable predation levels caused by gray wolves in areas where populations are not meeting management objections and wolf predation is a significant contributor to overall mortality.

**Part II – Performance Measures**

Performance Measure		FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	Current Year
<b>Goal 1</b>						
Effectively manage and allocate funds in order to continue the service of wolf depredation control within the State of Idaho.						
1. Distribute available funds to eligible contractors in Idaho to address depredations of livestock and wild ungulates						
Wildlife Services	actual	N/A	N/A	\$194,051	\$410,617	\$101,782
	benchmark	N/A	N/A	\$225,000	\$600,000	\$582,583
Idaho Fish and Game	actual	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$0	\$75,000
	benchmark	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$75,000	\$40,000

**Performance Measure Explanatory Notes**

Idaho Fish and Game contract for FY 2016 was paid in July 2016 so is reflected in FY 2017 numbers. Some of the Wildlife Services work at the end of the quarter is paid in the following fiscal year, which distorts the comparisons with the benchmarks.

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