



LAC LA BICHE COUNTY PROCEDURE

TITLE: WOLF INCENTIVE PILOT PROGRAM

PROCEDURE NO: PI-62-011

SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE:

AMENDMENT DATE:

PI-62-011 Predator Control Policy

PI-62-010 Predator Control Policy and Procedure

PROCEDURE:

- 1) Lac La Biche County's Wolf Incentive Pilot Program will be established for a period of one calendar year, at which time, the program and this policy and procedure will be evaluated by Council and the Agricultural Service Board.
- 2) Eligible participants will be limited to Veterinary Services Incorporated program participants within Lac La Biche County.
- 3) Trappers wishing to participate in the program will be required to register with the Environmental and Agriculture Operations Coordinator or his/her designate, in advance of participation in the program.
- 4) The Wolf Incentive Pilot Program will be in effect only on lands that are owned by Veterinary Services Incorporated program participants that utilize the lands to hold livestock within the boundaries of Lac La Biche County.
- 5) The County will advertise for, record and report program enrollment of registered trappers.
- 6) Trappers will be chosen for eligibility and service areas at the discretion of the Agriculture and Environmental Operations Coordinator.
- 7) The County will at the request of a Veterinary Services Incorporated program participant, appoint a registered trapper who has registered with the County in the Wolf Incentive Pilot Program to service a confirmed area of livestock preying wolves.
- 8) The Agriculture and Environmental Operations Coordinator will investigate concerns with assistance from the Fish and Wildlife office where wolves are a concern of preying on livestock.
- 9) The Agriculture and Environmental Operations Coordinator shall reserve the right to decide which problem area has priority and the timing of the service. Trappers will be assigned to each problem area for a maximum of 60 days per year.
- 10) Frozen, previously stored or wolf body parts such as pelts will not be eligible to be claimed.

- 11) Wolves harvested outside the boundaries of the County of Lac La Biche will not qualify for compensation.
- 12) Outside of the trapper service provided, Veterinary Services Incorporated program participants may trap or hunt wolves themselves which may be compensated.
- 13) Veterinary Services Incorporated program participants and trappers requesting compensation payment will sign the Wolf Compensation Form in Schedule “D”.
- 14) Entire wolf carcasses shall be delivered to a location designated by the Environmental and Agriculture Operations Coordinator, for examination, marking and authorization of compensation;
 - (a) examination of the carcass will be performed to verify the animal has been destroyed by means other than vertebrate toxicant.
 - (b) the carcass will be marked by a representative of the County; a carcass that has been previously marked will be rejected.
 - (c) if eligible, the claimant will be provided with a payment authorization.
- 15) To request authorization for compensation, the participant will provide and declare the following:
 - (a) the legal land location where the wolf was harvested;
 - (b) the date of harvest;
 - (c) the harvest was conducted in a lawful manner, in accordance with current legislation;
 - (d) the participant is the legal landowner or authorized occupant of the land; and/or
 - (e) the participant had permission to harvest on said land.
- 16) Participants will be responsible for disposal of all parts of the carcass, and such disposal will be in accordance with Provincial legislation.
- 17) Participants will follow all Federal and Provincial Legislation and Regulations including, but not limited to the *Wildlife Act* and *Wildlife Regulations*, the *Firearms Act*, the *Petty Trespass Act*, and *Alberta Hunting and Trapping Regulations*, and any amendments or successor legislations thereto.
- 18) Participants will be removed from the list of eligible participants and will forfeit all benefit from the said program, if it is determined they have not adhered to the Wolf Incentive Pilot Program Policy and Procedure PI-62-011 as established by County Council, the Predator Control Policy and Procedure PI-62-010, or Provincial and Federal Legislation.
- 19) Disputes over eligible claims for compensation will be settled at the discretion of the Agriculture and Environmental Operations Coordinator, whose decision will be final and binding.

Schedule “B”



PREDATOR CONTROL
WOLF INCENTIVE PILOT PROGRAM
CONTRACT OF PARTICIPATION
BETWEEN
“PRODUCER PARTICIPANT OF TRAPPING SERVICE”
AND
“MUNICIPALITY”

In an effort to support agricultural producers and the protection of livestock within Lac La Biche County, hereinafter, the “Municipality”, has approved a Wolf Incentive Pilot Program, hereinafter the “Program”, for the purpose of reducing the amount of livestock predatory wolves within the Municipality. Through this program, eligible Veterinary Service Incorporated program enrollee’s hereinafter, “Participants”, with the presentation of proof of predatory wolf concerns to the Environmental and Agriculture Operations Coordinator will be enrolled in the Trapping Service program and a registered trapper will be issued to the area of concern for a maximum of 60 days lawfully within the Municipality and in accordance with this Contract, hereinafter, “Contract” of Participation.

The terms and conditions of participation in the Program are as follows;

2. **STATUTORY ADHERENCE:** While participating in the Program, the Participant will, at all times, abide by all statutes, regulations, and bylaws enacted by the Federal, Provincial, and Municipal governments, and the Participant agrees there has been no violation of any statutory or regulatory provision in any way. The relevant statutes include but are not limited to: Lac La Biche County Wolf Incentive Program Policy and Procedure PI-62-011, Lac La Biche County Predator Control Policy and Procedure PI-62-010, the *Firearms Act*, the *Petty Trespass Act*, the *Wildlife Act*, and the *Wildlife Regulations* or any current *Hunting or Trapping Regulations*. A Participant who fails to strictly adhere to all relevant laws will forfeit any right to compensation under the Program. Any individual who has not previously agreed to the terms and conditions of this Contract will be considered ineligible to receive the service.
2. **INDEMNIFICATION AND SAVE HARMLESS:** The Participant will indemnify and save harmless the Municipality, its officers, representatives, agents and employees, from and against any and all liability for any and all claims, costs, damages and expenses or liability arising out of or on account of injury or death to persons or damage or destruction to property resulting from or arising out of or in any way connected to the Program or participation in the Program.

PRODUCER INFORMATION AND APPROVAL

I _____, hereby agree to the terms and conditions as set in the Wolf Incentive Pilot Program Policy and Procedure PI-62-011 and its accompanying legislation and agree to participate in the Wolf Incentive Pilot Program with the intention of protection of my livestock and that are on my agricultural/producer lands in Lac La Biche County.

SIGNED on this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Trapping Service – Participating Producer’s Information:

Participant: _____
(Print Name) (Signature)

Mailing Address: _____

Postal Code: _____ Town: _____

Phone Number: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Email: _____

Legal Land Description(s): _____

What wolf problems are you experiencing, please provide details of locations: _____

Producer Participant of Trapping Service

Approval of Program Enrollment by Lac La Biche County Representative:

County Representative: _____
(Print Name) (Signature)

Date: _____, 20_____.

Approval #: _____

Schedule "C"

Trapping Agreement/ Permission to Access Property

This Consent Form must be signed prior to access being granted to service the Producer's lands.

Date: _____

Landholder: _____
(Print Name)

Visitor: _____
(Print Name)

Others on Property: _____
(indicate, if any, other hunters or workers who are on the property)

Land Location(s): _____

Days for access - Day from: _____ Day to: _____

Provided Proof of Picture Identification (driver's licence, other):

- Yes
- No

Trapper's Licence Number: _____

Vehicle

Make: _____ Year: _____

Colour: _____ Licence Number: _____

Access Type (check all that apply)

- Vehicle
- ATV/Snowmobile
- Foot Access
- Self-Retrieval
- Horse Access
- Other

Sign-In Date: _____, 20_____. Sign-Out Date: _____, 20_____.

I, _____, hereby grant _____ to perform wolf control services on the listed properties above on the indicated dates.

Signature of Landholder

Date Signed

Schedule "D"

Wolf Compensation Form

This Compensation Form must be signed prior to compensation paid to the individual trapper or producer.

Date of wolf presentation to Lac La Biche County Agriculture Services: _____

Producer or Trapper: _____
(Print Name)

Mailing Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Land Location(s) of wolf control: _____

Amount of wolves: _____

Date(s) of control: _____

(If applicable) Trapper's Licence Number: _____

(If applicable) Producer's Veterinary Services Incorporated Number: _____

I, _____, declare the above information true on the listed properties above on the indicated dates and that I followed all Municipal, Federal and Provincial Legislation and Regulations including, but not limited to the Lac La Biche County Wolf Incentive Program Policy and Procedure PI-62-011 and Predator Control Policy and Procedure PI-62-010, the Wildlife Act and Wildlife Regulations, the Firearms Act, the Petty Trespass Act, and Alberta Hunting and Trapping Regulations, and any amendments or successor legislations thereto.

Signature of trapper or producer

Date Signed

Approval of Compensation by Lac La Biche County Representative:

County Representative: _____
(Print Name)

(Signature)

Date: _____, 20_____.

Approval #: _____