

# Lac La Biche County *Policy*

**TITLE:** PREDATOR CONTROL

**POLICY NO:** ENV-63-013

**RESOLUTION:** 20.1059

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** FEBRUARY 22, 2011

**DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE:** ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

**NEXT REVIEW DATE:** December 1, 2023

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**POLICY STATEMENT:**

Lac La Biche County recognizes that agricultural producers need to take responsibility for livestock predatory losses and do everything to prevent these losses. However, producers who have adopted good husbandry may require Lac La Biche County's assistance via additional tools to mitigate inventory loss.

"Original Signed"  
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Chief Administrative Officer

December 14, 2020  
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Date

"Original Signed"  
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Mayor

December 15, 2020  
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Date

**SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE:** Procedure ENV-63-013, PI-62-010

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## **PROCEDURE:**

1. Predator Control information will be available to all residents within Lac La Biche County.
2. Control work shall be provided on a first come first serve basis.
3. The Agricultural Fieldman or designate shall discuss prevention, control techniques, and management strategies with the landowner.
4. If the Agricultural Fieldman and landowner mutually agree, Lac La Biche County may send staff to place neck snares on the residence's private land or crown land leased to control predators using Alberta Agriculture and Forestry approved snares.
5. If Lac La Biche County staff place snares on private land, a hold harmless agreement must first be in place between Lac La Biche County and the landowner.
6. If toxicants are to be used, the proper forms supplied by Alberta Agriculture and Forestry are to be used.
7. These forms shall be completed in full and signed by the landowner/lessee before any toxicants are provided.
8. Residents will be provided a maximum of six (6) Compound 1080 tablets per predation occurrence.
9. The Agricultural Fieldman or designate will not issue toxicants if it is of their opinion that public safety could be at risk.
10. The Agricultural Fieldman may refuse to issue toxicants if it is of the opinion of the inspector that the resident is not showing good stewardship through:
  - i. Use of alternative methods of predator control through fencing, snaring or the use of guardian dogs.
  - ii. Adequate safety or management of the toxicant.
11. The Agricultural Fieldman will instruct resident in toxicant use. Resident will be expected to set out and supervise toxicant sets according to the Form 8 provided by the Agricultural Fieldman or designate.
12. The Landowner shall contact any adjacent landowners, forewarning them that potentially harmful predator control mechanisms are being set.
13. All toxicants to be used for control work shall be set according to the Alberta Coyote Predation Management Programs Operation Policy and Procedure as amended from time to time.

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Chief Administrative Officer

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