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From: bjhoy@localnet.com
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To: Ravalli County Commissioners
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Subject: Wolf Policy?

Dear Commissioners,

Does anyone have published prevalence for wolf kills of domestic livestock in Ravalli County or for wild ruminants for that matter, or do you just go by what people say. I think you need a study to show how many individuals of livestock have been confirmed to be killed by wolves. We had three white-tailed deer fawns killed on our place by the neighbor's dogs. That left 4 fawns from this years fawn crop on our place. Only 7 fawns were born to 12 year round resident does here on our land, three singles and two sets of twins. There are no wolves at our place, only mean dogs that come here during the night. I can tell a dog kill from a coyote kill. Coyotes eat their kill. Dogs bite the fawns on the head, kill them and then leave them. Dogs are well fed, so do not eat their kills.

Thank you for your consideration. If you actually get data that is reliable and/or peer reviewed, please share it with me. I would especially be interested in the total number of cattle have been killed by wolves in Ravalli County? How many domestic goats? What are the MDFWP's numbers for estimated wild ruminants killed by wolves? I have documented and reported at least a couple dozen human babies killed by fetal hypothyroidism and other effects consistent with pesticide exposure according to many, many studies on pesticides and children.

How many children in Ravalli County were killed by wolves?

In the paper, Commissioner Chilcott is quoted, "This policy should be recognized as advocacy for humans, for ungulate populations and for livestock." You have got to be joking. The policy reported in the paper was totally murderous toward wolves. If the County Commissioners had any concern what so ever for humans (especially fetuses and newborns), ungulate populations and for livestock, you would have done something about the horrible epidemic of health problems in wildlife and in humans as a result of thyroid hormone disruption and other endocrine disruption caused by the excessive use in Ravalli County of pesticides, especially herbicides and fungicides. The USGS researchers found such high levels of pesticides in the snow, foliage, animals, lake water, etc. in Glacier Park that male fish had female sex organs. How is Glacier Park snow any different than the snow falling on the Bitterroot Mountains and in the Bitterroot Valley.

Your wolf policy is very inhumane, illegal and extremely anti-wolf.

When you begin addressing the real problems in the domestic animals, the wildlife, including birds and mammals (rodents and ruminants are most affected), and in the humans, especially the drastic effects on human newborns and little children, you might do some good.

Until you address what is really affecting the economy in Ravalli County:

The huge health bills the parents of children with developmental problems have every month.

The health bills all the older people who are affected by chemical exposure have to pay each month.

The loss to the cattle ranchers in weigh gain because over half of their calves have brachygnathia superior.

The loss to other livestock owners like goat owners, horse owners, llama owners, etc., because the newborns of those animals have a very high prevalence of fetal hypothyroidism and brachygnathia superior/underbite.

The inability of newborn wild ruminant young to survive because of inability to regulate their heat and energy, inability to suckle if they can get up, inability to fight off bacteria and viruses because of underdeveloped or damaged thymus at birth, inability to eat foliage after being weaned because of brachygnathia superior/underbite, or death because of ruptured blood vessels in the lungs, intestines or other organs or death because they are born with a herniated umbilicus.

There is a high rate of these health problems in the deer, elk and other ruminants, including domestic ruminants I examine every year. The loss of all the wild ruminant young does not leave enough to grow up for human hunters and predators both to kill. The lack of human hunters has an effect on all the businesses that depend on hunting.

These are what is affecting the economy in Ravalli County, not a few wolves. Murdering wolf pups by killing their parents year around will not save the human babies, the wild babies, or the economy. Only we can do that by finding what is causing the epidemic of fetal hypothyroidism symptoms and stopping the use of it or them. Unless we do that, not only the economy is doomed, the entire human population is doomed. The bees are dying, the bats are dying, effecting what we get to eat from plants, the entire ecosystem of the ocean is crashing, which will cause billions of humans to starve, the grazing animals are producing less viable young and that affects meat production for human consumption.

Your solution to this is to not ask the EPA to come and test the foliage, the water, the snow and rain, and the air for pesticides, mercury and other thyroid hormone disrupting toxins, but to kill wolves that have done nothing. I am not against regular hunting of wolves in a season when they are not feeding pups. I am not against shooting wolves that are trying to or have killed livestock. Just like domestic dogs, once they kill livestock, there is only one way to make them stop. We shouldn't be wantonly killing wolves that never bother livestock. Breaking up family groups that live off wild ruminants results in young wolves having to kill or try to kill domestic livestock. Therefore your wolf policy would result in more livestock being killed not less.

Again, please send me reliable documentation on the numbers of wolf killed cattle in Ravalli County. Please send me reliable documentation on numbers of wolf killed wild ruminants in Ravalli County. If you do not have these, then you have no data to support your policy.

Sincerely,
Judy Hoy