

Agreement Number: 24-73-31-2102RA  
WBS Code: AP.RA.RX31.73.0257

**WORK/FINANCIAL PLAN**  
**Between**  
**SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY**  
**And**  
**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**  
**ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE**  
**WILDLIFE SERVICES (APHIS-WS)**

Coop 6-10

<b>COOPERATOR ADDRESS</b>	Scotts Bluff County Board of Commissioners Courthouse – 1825 10 <sup>th</sup> Street Gering, NE 69341
<b>COOPERATIVE CONTACT</b>	Scotts Bluff County Chairman Phone: 402-471-2871
<b>COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT NUMBER</b>	24-73-31-2102RA
<b>WBS</b>	AP.RA.RX31.73.0257
<b>LOCATION</b>	Scotts Bluff County, Nebraska
<b>AGREEMENT PERIOD</b>	July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Pursuant to Cooperative Service Agreement No. 23-73-31-2102RA entered in between Scotts Bluff County (Cooperator) and the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Wildlife Services (APHIS-WS), this Work Plan defines the objectives, plan of action, resources, and budget for the Wildlife Damage Management program to be conducted from *July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025*.

**I. OBJECTIVES/GOALS**

The objective of the work to be performed by the Wildlife Specialist(s) assigned to the Cooperator is for the management of damage or damage threats caused by wild and feral mammals to agricultural interests, other private and public property and for the protection of human health and safety. The APHIS-WS employee(s) will be adequately equipped to manage wildlife to reduce or alleviate property damage.

**II. PLAN OF ACTION**

APHIS-WS will assign one Wildlife Specialist(s) that will respond to nuisance wildlife problems within Scotts Bluff County. APHIS-WS will provide a vehicle, supplies and equipment for the project. Cost-sharing; This agreement will support a cooperatively funded position cost-sharing with, but not limited to, Scotts Bluff County, other counties, cities, private individuals, and Federal government.

APHIS-WS will conduct Wildlife Damage Management operations in and around Scotts Bluff County to minimize wildlife damage caused a variety of wildlife species. In cooperation with county, municipalities, and state agencies, WS will help reduce the probability of transmission of plague and rabies to human populations though collection of carnivore blood samples, and management of mammal populations that are vectors of rabies and plague. Direct efforts will be made to manage losses to agriculture, crops and livestock from damage and predation caused by wild and feral animals. Direct effort will be made for the protection of residential area from damage and predation by wild animals.

### **III. REPORTS**

APHIS-WS will provide periodic reports of activities and accomplishments at the request of the Cooperator.

### **IV. STIPULATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

- a. Operations will be conducted by APHIS-WS with input from Scottsbluff County and shall be under the direct supervision of APHIS-WS listed below.
- b. Wildlife Damage Management: A Work Initiation Document for Wildlife Damage Management (WS Form 12A), a Work Initiation Document for Wildlife Damage Management-Multiple Resources Owners (WS form 12B) or a Work Initiation Document for Management of Wildlife Damage on Urban Properties (WS Form 12C) will be executed between APHIS-WS and the landowner, lessee, administrator before any APHIS-WS work is conducted.
- c. APHIS-WS will use only APHIS-WS employees and APHIS Volunteer Program participants. All APHIS-WS employees and APHIS volunteers have successfully met APHIS firearm safety standards.
- d. The program will be monitored by Timothy Veenendaal, NE State Director (402-434-2342).

### **V. COST ESTIMATE FOR SERVICES**

The cooperator will reimburse APHIS-WS for expenses incurred, not to exceed the amount of **\$11,615.39** the work plan for that current year. Such costs include salary/benefits, pooled job costs and overhead. Any equipment and supplies purchased under the terms of this agreement will remain the property of APHIS-WS.

### **See Attachments**

A Statement of Services will be sent to the Cooperator quarterly.

**NOTE:** In accordance with the Debt Collection Improvement Act (DCIA) of 1996, bills issued by WS are due and payable within 30 days of receipt. The DCIA requires that all debts older than 120 days be forwarded to debt collection centers or commercial collection agencies for more aggressive action. Debtors have the option to verify, challenge and compromise claims, and have access to administrative appeals procedures which are both reasonable and protect the interests of the United States.



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**VI. AUTHORIZATION**

Scotts Bluff County Board of Commissioners  
Courthouse – 1825 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Gering, NE 69341  
Tax Identification Number: 47-6006506

Ken Meyer  
Chairman

6-3-2024  
Date

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE  
WILDLIFE SERVICES  
Tax Identification Number: 41-0696271

**TIMOTHY VEENENDAAL**  
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Timothy Veenendaal  
State Director, Nebraska

Date

**WENDY ANDERSON**  
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Wendy Anderson, Regional Director  
Western Region

Date

## FINANCIAL PLAN

For the disbursement of funds from

Scotts Bluff County -

to

USDA APHIS Wildlife Services

for

Livestock, Agriculture, Human Health and Safety Protection.

from

7/1/2024

to

6/30/2025

Cost Element		Full Cost
Personnel Compensation	\$	9,135.19
Travel	\$	-
Vehicles	\$	-
Other Services	\$	-
Supplies and Materials	\$	-
Equipment	\$	-

Subtotal (Direct Charges)	\$	9,135.19
Pooled Job Costs	11.00%	\$ 1,004.87
Indirect Costs	16.15%	\$ 1,475.33
Aviation Flat Rate Collection		\$ -
Agreement Total	\$	11,615.39

The distribution of the budget from this Financial Plan may vary as necessary to accomplish the purpose of this agreement, but may not exceed: \$11,615.39