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WORK/FINANCIAL PLAN Between LANCASTER COUNTY And

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE WILDLIFE SERVICES (APHIS-WS)

COOPERATOR ADDRESS	Lancaster County Commissioners County-City Building 555 S. 10 th Street Room 110 Lincoln, NE 68508
COOPERATIVE CONTACT	Jennifer Brinkman Lancaster County Chairman Phone: 402-441-7447
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT NUMBER	19-73-31-6615-RA
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LOCATION	Lancaster County, Nebraska
AGREEMENT PERIOD	July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

Pursuant to Cooperative Service Agreement No. 18-73-31-6615-RA entered in between Lancaster 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, 2019 through June 30, 2020*.

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 Lancaster County. APHIS-WS will provide a vehicle, supplies and equipment for the project.

APHIS-WS will conduct Wildlife Damage Management operations in and around Lancaster 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.

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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 Lancaster 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 supervised and 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 \$7,500.00. Such costs include; salary/benefits, vehicle/transportation, equipment, and overhead. Any equipment and supplies purchased under the terms of this agreement will remain the property of APHIS-WS.

See Attachment

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

Lancaster County Commissioners County-City Building 555 S. 10th Street Room 110 Lincoln, NE 68508

Tax Identification Number: 47-6006482

Chairman

Date

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

State Director, Nebraska

Date

Director, Western Region

Date



Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Wildlife Services

5940 S 58th St Lincoln, NE 68516 Voice 402.434.2340 Fax 402.434.2339 April 16, 2019

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LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD

Dear Commissioner:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the cooperation we have had during the last year in serving Lancaster County together. Wildlife Services looks forward to continuing our cooperative program for the benefit of Lancaster County. During this last year were able to help a number of Lancaster resident with issue related to badgers, urban fox, woodchucks and human health and safety issue related to skunks under houses and porches at a number of county residents. WS worked on stream beaver and raccoons damage to property and crop land in Lancaster County. These are just a few of animal damage management issues that we were able to address this year. Therefore, you will find enclosed this coming years Work/Financial Plan to continue a wildlife management control program with Lancaster County. The Work/Financial Plan is for July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020.

Please sign all three copies work financial plan and return to our office. Once we have obtained all necessary signatures, we will send you a fully executed copy for your files.

If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact our Budget Analyst Joni Abbott or myself at Area Code (402) 434-2342.

Sincerely,

Timothy Veenendaal State Director, NE

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