

## **Predator Management**

### **A CFFO Policy Statement**

**Whereas** some predators develop a taste for livestock and some wildlife enjoy our crops;

**Whereas** MNR likes to see lots of wildlife;

**Whereas** more folks in the countryside encourage the growth of the wildlife population (by feeding them);

#### **Therefore be it resolved**

**THAT** MNR develop an inventory of skilled people available to control serious predator or crop-damaging wildlife;

**THAT** MNR be responsible for paying for the damage done by wildlife (not OMAFRA, crop insurance or municipalities) and paying the personnel to control wildlife;

**THAT** CFFO endorse the modernization of the predation compensation program so that the program reimburses farmers based on the market value of the livestock destroyed by wildlife;

**THAT** beneficial management practices (BMPs) for preventing wildlife damage (protective fencing for livestock, guard animals, decoy crops, scaring devices) be supported by a 90% cost share program (60-40 federal/provincial participation).

Adopted by Provincial Council  
Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario  
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