



Municipal District of Willow Creek

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Dear Livestock Producer,

The MD of Willow Creek is offering a program to remove dead livestock from a targeted area of the municipal district in an effort to reduce large carnivore-livestock conflicts.

Removal of dead cattle from the project area will reduce the habituation of carnivores to dead livestock. Large carnivores are attracted to dead pits and scavenged livestock. Once dead livestock is identified as a food source by large carnivores, predation of live animals is more likely. When predators are attracted to dead livestock near Farm and Ranch buildings; thus the safety of the inhabitants is compromised.

The project will refund paid receipts from livestock producers that use West Coast Reductions to remove dead livestock from the project area. Intensive Livestock Operations permitted by the Natural Resources Conservation Board will not be eligible for refunds. Only dead bovine and equine animals will be eligible. All other classes of dead livestock will be ineligible for refund. Contact information for the rendering company.

Southern Alberta Processing (SAPC)
A Division of West Coast Reduction Ltd.
Phone: 403-328-1336
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The project area is defined as:

All lands within the Municipal boundaries of the MD of Willow Creek that lie west of the east boundary of Range 29 West of the 4th Meridian.

See enclosed Predator Area Map 2013, may also be viewed on the MD website:

www.mdwillowcreek.com under *Departments*, *ASB* tab: *ASB Programs & Services*, link to *Dead Livestock Program*

The project has been budgeted a set amount of funds. When the funds are exhausted we will post a notice on our website.

For further information contact the MD Agriculture Fieldman as below.

Thank you,

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