

## LAC LA BICHE COUNTY POLICY

TITLE: PREDATOR CONTROL	POLICY NO: PI-62-010
RESOLUTION: 11.148	EFFECTIVE DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2011
LEAD ROLE: MANAGER, ENVIRONMENT & AGRICULTURE SERVICES	NEXT REVIEW DATE: FEBRUARY 22, 2014
SPECIAL NOTES/CROSS REFERENCE:	AMENDMENT DATE:

### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

Lac La Biche County recognizes that agricultural producers need to take responsibility for livestock predatory losses and do everything to prevent these losses, but producers who have adopted good husbandry but continue to suffer livestock losses may need additional tools to mitigate these losses.

### **PROCEDURE:**


1. Coyote control information will be available to all residents within Lac La Biche County.
2. Control work shall be provided on a first come, first serve basis.
3. If toxicants are to be used, the proper forms supplied by Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development.
4. These forms shall be completed in full and signed by the landowner/lessee.
5. Toxicant Stock Record forms shall be filled out before any toxicants are removed from storage.
6. All toxicants to be used for control work shall be set according to the Coyote Predation Management Programs Operation Policy and Procedure.
7. The Agricultural Fieldman shall hold a valid Form 7 Permit under the Agricultural Pests Act.
8. The Agricultural Fieldman will instruct resident in toxicant use. Resident will be expected to set out and supervise toxicant sets according to the Form 8 provided by the Agricultural Fieldman.
9. Target and/or non-target species taken from poison baits as well as poison baits not totally consumed shall be picked up and buried by the resident.
10. The Agricultural Fieldman shall discuss prevention, control techniques, and management strategies with the resident.
11. The Landowner shall contact any adjacent landowners that own dogs, forewarning them that potentially harmful predator control mechanisms are being set.

12. The Agricultural Fieldman will not issue toxicants if it is of their opinion that public safety could be at risk.
13. The Agricultural Fieldman may refuse to issue toxicants if in the opinion of the inspector the resident is not showing good stewardship through:
  - (i) Use of alternative methods of predator control through fencing, snaring or the use of guardian dogs.
  - (ii) Adequate safety or management of the toxicant.
14. Residents will be provided a maximum of six (6) tablets per visit or a total of eighteen (18) tablets per year.

  
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Chief Administrative Officer

  
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