

## COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA BRIEFING

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**Meeting Date:** November 8, 2024

**Agenda Number:** 6C – Consent Agenda

**Presenter:** Stewart Liley

**Agenda Title:** Fiscal Year 2024 Depredation and Nuisance Abatement Report

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### 1. Summary of Agenda Item

This agenda item is required under Commission rule 19.30.2 NMAC to summarize the total number of depredation and wildlife nuisance complaints filed with and resolved by the Department for Fiscal Year 2024. The number of filed and resolved complaints by species is presented in Table 1.

### 2. Background Information

This annual report updates the Commission on the number of depredation complaints received and the resolution rate in New Mexico for FY 2024. 17-2-7.2 NMSA 1978 gives the authority to the State Game Commission to create a rule (19.30.2 NMAC) to establish the procedures and handling of depredation caused by protected wildlife species on privately owned or leasehold interest land.

### 3. Strategic Plan References and Possible Impacts of Agenda Item

The process as presented to the Commission meets the Wildlife and Nuisance Abatement Program Objective 1 of the Department's Strategic Plan. The Department's performance measure requires 97% of these complaints be resolved.

### 4. Considerations Regarding Duplications and/or Conflicts with Existing Rules or Statutes

None

### 5. Description and Summary of Public Involvement Process and Results

This information is available through the Santa Fe office and posted on the Department's website for public review and comment. Any comments received during this reporting period will be summarized for the Commission during the presentation

### 6. Suggested Motion

The Department respectfully suggests the following motion unless Commission discretion indicates a different course of action:

“Move to approve the Fiscal Year 2024 Depredation and Nuisance Abatement Report as presented.”

**Table 1. Depredation Commission Report (FY24)**

**Dates: 07/01/2023 to 06/30/2024**

<b>Species</b>	<b>Number of Complaints</b>	<b>Interventions in Progress</b>	<b>Complaints Resolved</b>	<b>Percentage of Total Complaints</b>
Bear	180	NO	180	48%
Cougar	41	NO	41	11%
Javelina	29	YES	28	8%
Fox	27	NO	27	7%
Raccoon	25	NO	25	7%
Bobcat	23	NO	23	6%
Elk	17	YES	14	5%
Deer	10	YES	9	3%
Beaver	10	NO	10	3%
Badger	8	NO	8	2%
Other	2	NO	2	1%
Bighorn Sheep	2	NO	2	1%
Turkey	1	NO	1	0%
Oryx	1	NO	1	0%
Antelope	1	NO	1	0%
<b>Sum</b>	<b>377</b>		<b>372 (98.7%)</b>	