Texas Wildlife Services

Urban Feral Hog

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Texas Wildlife Services Program

USDA-APHIS-WILDLIFE SERVICES

The TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE

TEXAS WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION



WS Works to Protect

Human Health and Safety from wildlife-related diseases such as rabies and plague and wildlife-related hazards such as bird-aircraft strikes.

Facilities, Structures, and Other Property from damage caused by rats, mice, raccoons, skunks, opossums, squirrels, beaver, birds and other wildlife.

<u>Crops, Timber, and Rangeland</u> from damage caused by gophers, prairie dogs, feral hogs, raccoons, rabbits, coyotes, grackles, beaver and other wildlife.

Livestock from depredation caused by coyotes, bobcats, feral hogs, mountain lions, raccoons, birds and other wildlife.

➢ <u>Wildlife and Other Natural Resources</u> such as endangered species and game animals as well as soil, water and flora from damage and predation by wildlife.

Damage







WS FY21 Metroplex Project

- 70,000 acres
- Il cooperators
- \$25,000 in damages*
- 277 swine removed

Education and Outreach

- Meet with property owners
- Make suggestions
- Discuss options
- Involve them in solution

Grub Control







Fencing

- Non-Lethal
- Long term solution
- Multiple types



Turbo Fladry









Direct control

- Oity Property
- Private property
- How will we dispose of Swine
- Hire a private Trapper
- Hire a State/Gov Trapper
- Allow citizens to Hire trapper
- Pick one department to oversee

Transport Law

- Approved holding facility
- Recognized slaughter facility
- Authorized hunting preserve

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Strategic shooting

- Certain number of hogs that don't enter traps
- Damage still occurs
- Very effective for solitary animals
- Coordination with PD



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Challenges

- Budget
- Manpower
- Using all the tools
- Sustained effort
- Department responsibility



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