

Livestock Protection Program Claims Process

PREVENTION

Adoption of best management practices is an eligibility requirement for the Program. If the LPP Coordinator is not satisfied that sufficient preventative measures were used, then the request for mitigation may be denied. Prevention resources (pamphlet, guidebooks, articles) are available online: www.cattlemen.bc.ca/LPP.htm



REPORT INCIDENTS

The Livestock Protection Hotline is available 24 hours. Calling the hotline is the first step to starting your claim. All attacks, injuries and harassment should be reported to the hotline **1-844-852-5788**. Livestock owners must preserve the carcass for verification inspection.



SELF-VERIFICATION

Livestock owners who have completed the verification course can conduct a verification inspections. To expedite the process, self-verification can be done prior to reporting to the hotline.



VERIFICATION & COMPENSATION

Verification forms are on the website. This is the same form used for compensation. Completed forms are submitted to the LPP Coordinator for review. If a producer is unable to self-verify, then the LPP Coordinator will dispatch a nearby verifier to conduct a carcass inspection. The Verification Form is submitted to LPP Coordinator for decision on further action (mitigation). After being reviewed, all Verification Forms will be sent to the Ministry of Agriculture for claim/payment processing. Verification forms must include proper photo evidence to support the claim. Incomplete claims could be declined.



MITIGATION

Upon confirming that the animal was killed or injured by a wolf/coyote, the LPP Coordinator will send a Wildlife Specialist to begin control work. Wildlife Specialists will submit a Mitigation Form to the LPP Coordinator. Only Wildlife Specialists who are registered with the program will be dispatched and compensated for mitigation services.



REVIEW

Wildlife Specialists will provide livestock owners with a copy of the pamphlet *Best Management Practices for Cattle and Sheep*. The LPP Coordinator will follow up with the livestock owners to review mitigation activities and assess predator threat. Adoption of best management practices are an eligibility requirement for the program.