

# Compensation

- AWP pays a maximum of 80% of the verified losses to the crop.
- Losses due to insurable perils (covered by production insurance) are set apart from damages caused by wildlife.
- Damages caused by wildlife will not indemnify losses covered by other programs such as Production Insurance.
- Less than 10% visual plant damage will not be adjusted, unless otherwise determined by the AWP.
- Minimum damage for claim eligibility is **\$1000**.
- Compensation value will be determined by methodology established by the AWP.
- The AWP will utilize approved grain insured values parallel to the Production Insurance Program.



*Canola field displaying signs of ungulate trail damage.*

*Contact your nearest Ministry of Agriculture and Lands office. Ask for information on the Agriculture Wildlife Program for Wildlife Damage to Standing Grain.*

- Abbotsford.....1-888-221-7141
- Cranbrook.....1-250-489-8507
- Dawson Creek.....1-877-772-2200
- Fort St. John.....1-888-822-1345
- Kamloops.....1-888-823-3355
- Kelowna.....1-888-332-3352
- Oliver.....1-888-812-8811
- Prince George.....1-800-334-3011
- Williams Lake.....1-800-474-6133



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**British Columbia**

# Agriculture Wildlife Program



## Wildlife Damage to STANDING GRAIN



# Agriculture Wildlife Program ~ Standing Grain

## Program Details

The Agriculture Wildlife Program (AWP) will compensate qualifying agriculture producers whose unharvested grain, oilseed and pulse crops intended for seed production has been damaged by wildlife.

## Wildlife Definition

The AWP will include compensation for wildlife damage caused by bison, deer, elk, moose, mountain sheep, bear, and waterfowl that have not been held in captivity.

## Eligible Agriculture Products

All commercially grown grains, fine seeds\*, oilseeds and pulse crops that can be insured under a Production Insurance Program, and/or any other crops that BRMB may determine to be eligible for compensation.

*\*Please contact your local BRMB office for more information.*

## Eligibility

- Applicant must provide proof of BC Assessment Farm Status.
- Applicant must provide proof of private land ownership and/or lease confirmation.
- Compensation will only be paid to those participants who have a willingness to engage in “on-farm” mitigation and/or prevention activities.

- Application to program can be made regardless of whether or not the applicant has Production Insurance.

*It is recommended that applicants work with a local BRMB representative to discuss your complete farm risk protection options for your farm.*

## Crops that are not Eligible

- Crops grown on land that is uninsurable for production insurance.
- Crops grown on lands that cannot be harvested using mechanical methods.
- Crops used for lure or intercept feeding.
- Straw or other by-products.
- Crops on grazing land or native pasture.
- Crops Seeded too late to expect a normal yield.
- Volunteer crops.
- Damage caused by wildlife other than defined wildlife.
- Crops where livestock have remained in the field after winter dormancy, entered the field prior to adjustment, and/or not been withdrawn from a field during the growing cycle.
- Crops were harvested and left exposed to wildlife damage due to management practices.
- Crops that have been mowed, swathed, in sheaves or stooks, baled, or collected from the field or in storage\*.
- Crops intended for forage, pasture or any other purpose other than seed.

- Crops where losses cannot be measured.
- *\*Please contact your local BRMB office for more information.*

## Program Application

**2010**, Applicants must register by telephone, fax, or in person for the program by June 15.

- Applicants must provide name, address, age of crop, type of crop, number of acres damaged, legal description, and location and size of fields.
- Applicants are required to supply a tax reporting number and signature of authority for compensation claims.

## Damage Reporting

- Producers must file a Notice of Wildlife Damage (NOWD) as soon as wildlife damage is detected, prior to harvest.
- Failure to complete a NOWD will result in field or farm ineligibility.
- Grower must be able to show adjuster where damage has occurred.

