Boycott BC Cities Killing “Urban Deer”!

Please Sign these Petitions:
- Stop Penticton Deer Kill Plan
  http://www.thepetitionsite.com/1/stop-penticton-bc-deer-kill/
- Stop Invermere Deer Kill Plan
  http://www.thepetitionsite.com/2/stop-the-invermere-deer-kill-plan/
- Stop Grand Forks Deer Kill Plan (proposed)
  http://www.thepetitionsite.com/2/stop-the-grand-forks-deer-kill-plan/
- Boycott CRD Deer Kill Plans (proposed)
  http://www.thepetitionsite.com/44/boycott-the-crd-deer-kill-plans/

Lifeforce’s Worldwide Petition to BC Premier Christy Clark was signed by 1000 people from Dec 7th to Dec 12th, 2011

Emails:
- Premier Christy Clark
  premier@gov.bc.ca
- Penticton City Council (Obtained 100 deer kill permit)
  mayor@penticton.ca
- Invermere City Council (Obtained 100 deer kill permit)
  mayor@invermere.net
- Grand Forks City Council (proposed)
  info@grandforks.ca
- Victoria Capital Regional District (proposed)
  Councillor Geoff Young, CRD Board of Directors
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Stop Blaming Deer for Human Mistakes!

A vocal pro-hunting minority has tried to turn a few isolated human and wildlife conflicts into mass hysteria for a BC wide deer cull. Contrary to government claims there are successful non-lethal solutions that include common sense and sterilization. The use of humane alternatives must not be determined by the price tag.

In addition to annual government hunting licenses there is this new government plan to kill "urban deer". There will be at least 325 more deer targeted. "Wildlife management plans" continue to create imbalances of wildlife populations. Human overpopulation, urban sprawl, destruction of wildlife habitats and other contributing factors to human/wildlife conflicts must all be taken into consideration when developing policies for human, animal and environmental protection.

The Humane Truth

Veterinarians, scientists, wildlife biologists, and numerous other experts state that the Clover Trap is inhumane and captive bolt guns must not be used on wildlife.

The Humane Solutions

Experts agree that humane, non-lethal methods can resolve the any human/wildlife conflicts. These include avoiding human/dog contact with moms and fawns. Also, killing deer for eating flowers cannot be justified because people must stop illegally feeding deer and must start to plant flowers that deer are not attracted to.

See the Lifeforce Facebook Boycott BC Deer Kills http://www.facebook.com/pages/Boycott-BC-Deer-Kills/273730359348586?sk=wall

Lifeforce is calling for a worldwide boycott of BC cities that refuse to use humane non-lethal methods and kill "urban deer"!

The deer killings have started. Cranbrook killed 25 deer and Kimberley killed 100 deer.

Issues to date:

1. Violation of Permit Conditions
The first trap set up in Kimberley did not have the approval of all neighbors as per the conditions of the permit.

2. Conflict of Interest
Contractors, later hired to kill the deer, were allowed to Chair the deer committees.

3. Uninspected “Meat”
Current provincial regulations prevent members of the public from accessing the meat from culled deer. Only farmed deer are taken to Federally Inspected slaughter plants.

4. No BC Government Public Comment Period
There is an obligation to consult the public before issuing the permits.

5. The BC Government Claimed No Tax Money Spent
However, the government purchased the 10 clover traps, bolt guns and a sled for the cull. There were additional training costs too.

6. Environmental Assessments
BC and Federal environmental assessments were not conducted.

7. Inhumane of Clover Trap and Captive Bolt Guns
The public was not fully informed of the cruel killing method.

8. Non Target Deer
Males will stay with the mother for up to 1 year and females will stay up to 2 years. The offspring of the dead moms, who may also be pregnant, will increase the actual deer kill if they cannot survive.

9. “Deer” related motor vehicle collisions
On Vancouver Island, deer-related motor-vehicle collisions increased from to more than 100 collisions in 2010 from 35 reported in 2000. However this can be expected due to increase human population growth, increase number of vehicles on the roads and lack of safe wildlife corridors.

Support a Moratorium on “Urban Deer” Kills!