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Project Details:

Project Title: Satellite Collars for Wandering Rams

Project Type: Research/Monitoring

Affiliate: WGFD

Project Location: Statewide - Wyoming

Project Description: Propose to purchase satellite GPS collars to place on wandering bighorn sheep to better understand movements and habitat selection while also assessing the risk of commingling with domestic sheep/goats. The intent is to only collar wandering sheep that occur within an established hunt area and/or Cooperative Review Area and in areas where there is no known legitimate risk of commingling. We do not propose to collar sheep that are either in a non-emphasis area or outside of an established hunt area.

Project Problem: Wandering bighorn sheep, particularly rams, appear to be increasing across the state, and particularly within the Casper WGFD Region. In recent years, there has been cases where wandering rams have been observed within established hunt areas, yet far from where the primary herd resides (e.g. back side of Casper Mountain). In these instances, there has been little to no risk of commingling with domestic sheep in the area they have been frequenting.

We propose to collar such sheep to monitor movements and assess future risk of commingling. Obtaining these movement and habitat selection data will enable these collared sheep to persist on the landscape. If, at any point, collar movement data indicates these sheep have potentially commingled with domestics, they would be lethally removed (as per Wyoming Game and Fish Commission policy) as quickly as possible.

Problem Solution: Stated above

Biography Of Applicant:

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Current Member: No

Cost To Be Funded

Equipment.....Satellite GPS Collars.....	\$8,000.00
Services.....Satellite data fees.....	\$2,000.00
Publishing.....	\$
Monitoring.....	\$
Supplies.....	\$
Other.....	\$
Totals \$.....	\$10,000.00

Other Organizations:

Organization 1: WGFD - In kind (immobilization, personnel time, monitoring, etc.)

Organization 2:

Organization 3:

Organization 4:

Media Contacts:

Media 1: na

Media 2:

Media 3:

Media 4: