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Two years ago we had 6 Nigerian dwarf goats. We had cameras mounted in and around our forested property because of predators. One night the goat cage camera caught a cougar carrying off one of our goats like it was a kitten. When we awoke the next morning and looked at video footage we cautiously went out to the goats pen and there lay three of our goats with there necks ripped and shredded, exposed in blood and flesh while our other newly acquired young goats were in a different pen. We had just gotten them and were acclimating them with our older goats. We posted on our local facebook page and we were out in contact with Eric Lee 'The Cougar Guy'. He came out and set the site up to catch, but the cougar didn't return. Eric told us it looked to be a 'Thrill' kill. Now we follow Eric and have seen the death and horrific mutilation these cougars cause. And it seems the cougar population is becoming greater and they have no fear. I support SB769