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Hello,

I am writing to inform you that Cougars in our rural area have become increasingly bold. On our road for example we have a Cougar that produces triplets.

These predators are training their young (up to 2 years stay with her) to seek out pets and livestock over plentiful game. If I have to go out after dark, I no longer feel safe. Our son, when caring for neighbor's place had a Cougar pass by him without fear. He had to carry his gun for safety, everytime he cared for their place. We continue to hear their calling to prey at night! These Cats are going into folk's barns and killing their stock for fun, not returning OR coming back to feed.

Wildlife is beautiful, we need to learn from them, change how we can protect our families pets, livestock!

Please think how you would feel in our situation.

With all the new housing and people moving into our little communities, predation occurrences will increase as most of the newcomers will probably be feasting the Cougars unknowingly as they let their pets out unattended, small children at risk, livestock in peril

Thank you for your time