

RESOLUTION NO. 04-A-2017
RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING PREDATORY ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM

Whereas, on or about January 23, 2017, the Jefferson County Commission received a recommendation (attached as Exhibit 1) from the Bull Mountain Grazing Company (an association of cattle producers in Jefferson County) to establish a predatory animal control program (PACP) in Jefferson County; and,

Whereas, Mont. Code Ann. § 81-7-601 *et seq.* permits the Board of County Commissioners to create a PACP upon the recommendation of an association of cattle producers in the County; and,

Whereas, under Resolution No. 30-2013 a PACP was in existence in Jefferson County from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2016; and,

Whereas, the Jefferson County Commission, upon the recommendation of Bull Mountain Grazing Company deems it appropriate to renew the PACP in Jefferson County.

Therefore, it is resolved:

1. There is established in Jefferson County a PACP to help defray the expense of the protection of cattle from predatory animals;
2. A license fee of \$0.50 (fifty cents) per head of cattle, per year, for all head of cattle 9 months or older to fund the PACP is established;
3. The per head license fee shall continue from year to year unless terminated or modified upon petition of 51% of the resident cattle owners in Jefferson County as is contemplated by Mont. Code Ann. § 81-7-605;
4. The license fee is due and payable to the Jefferson County Treasurer on or before November 30 of each year the PACP is in effect; and,
5. The Treasurer shall place the license fees in a Predatory Animal Control Fund which funds may be expended by the board of county commissioners only for the predatory animal control program.

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Dated this 31st day of January, 2017.

**Board of County Commissioners
Jefferson County, Montana**

Cory Kirsch
Chair

Leonard Wortman
Commissioner

Bob Mullen
Commissioner

ATTEST:

Bonnie Ramey
Jefferson County Clerk & Recorder

(Seal)