

## Ontario's Wildlife Damage Compensation Program

**Municipal Responsibilities** 

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## **MUNICIPAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Notifying an investigator who can investigate predation claims.
- Appointing a municipal investigator immediately after an owner reports a livestock or poultry attack.
- Reviewing and submitting applications and any additional evidence to OMAFRA's program administrator.
- Paying an owner's-approved application once a notification letter is received identifying the compensation value assigned by the program administrator.
- Providing a Statement of Farm Support Payments (AGR-1) to owners who receive compensation.

## **REVIEWING A PROGRAM APPLICATION:**

- All steps of the application have been completed.
- The municipal investigator and owner have signed the application.
- All required supporting documentation has been provided (e.g. 3-6 colour photos of each animal, evidence to support a premium).
- If an owner has indicated that they wish to provide additional evidence, and does so within seven (7) business days of the investigation, the evidence should be marked as additional evidence and submitted along with the application.
- Complete Step 10 and sign the application form.

## SUBMITTING A PROGRAM APPLICATION:

- Submit application and additional documents in one email. If files are too large to send in one email, additional emails may be sent as long as they reference the original submission.
- All applications and additional documents should be submitted to OMAFRA via email at <u>wildlife.damage@ontario.ca</u> or mail:

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Attention: OWDCP Program Administrator 1 Stone Road West. 4th Floor NW Guelph, ON N1G 4Y2

The Ontario Wildlife Damage Compensation Program (OWDCP) provides compensation to eligible producers whose livestock and/or poultry have been injured or killed as a result of wildlife predation or whose bee colonies, beehives and/or beehive-related equipment has been damaged as a result of wildlife predation.

OMAFRA maintains its commitment to supporting industry growth and market competitiveness by limiting financial hardship to Ontario producers who have experienced loss or damages due to wildlife predation.

