



I, Bobbi Childers, County Clerk for Morrow County, Oregon, certify that the instrument identified herein was recorded in the Clerk records.

Bobbi Childers - County Clerk



**IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE STATE OF OREGON  
FOR THE COUNTY OF MORROW**

IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING )  
BY-LAWS OF THE MORROW )  
COUNTY WOLF DEPREDAATION )  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE )

RESOLUTION NO.: R-2017-7

This matter coming before the Morrow County Board of Commissioners, sitting as the governing body for Morrow County, Oregon during its regularly scheduled business meeting on March 22, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, ORS 203.035 authorizes Morrow County to exercise authority within the County over matters of County concern; and

**WHEREAS**, ORS Chapter 610 allows a county to qualify for a wolf depredation compensation and financial assistance grant if the county complies with several statutory provisions, including establishing a county advisory committee to oversee the county wolf depredation program; and

**WHEREAS**, The Morrow County Wolf Depredation Advisory Committee was appointed by the Morrow County Court August 22, 2012 under the authority of House Bill 3560 (2011 Oregon Legislature) codified as ORS 610.150 to 610.155 and pursuant to Permanent Administrative Rule 603-019-0001 to 603-019-0040; and

**WHEREAS**, the Morrow County Wolf Depredation Advisory Committee has created by-laws for the committee and request approval of those by-laws; and

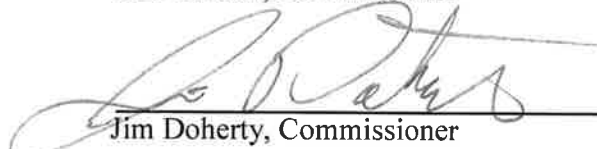
**WHEREAS**, the requested by-laws are included as Attachment 1.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners Approve the By-laws of the Morrow County Wolf Depredation Advisory Committee as described in Attachment 1.

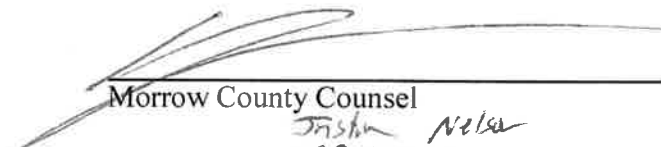
**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF MORROW COUNTY, OREGON**

  
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Melissa Lindsay, Chair

  
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Don Russell, Commissioner

  
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Jim Doherty, Commissioner

Approve as to Form:

  
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Morrow County Counsel  
Attest: *Jasha Nelsen*  
*OSB #17776*

*Bobbi Childers by*  
*Shereza Crawford Deputy*  
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Bobbi Childers, County Clerk *Clerk*



**BY-LAWS  
OF  
Morrow County Wolf Depredation Advisory Committee**

**ARTICLE I: NAME**

This organization shall be known as the Morrow County Wolf Depredation Advisory Committee, herein after referred to as the “Depredation Committee.”

**ARTICLE II: PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Depredation Committee is the administration of the Oregon Wolf Depredation Compensation and Financial Assistance Grant Program in Morrow County, Oregon.

**ARTICLE III: AUTHORITY**

The Depredation Committee was appointed by the Morrow County Court August 22, 2012 under the authority of House Bill 3560 (2011 Oregon Legislature) codified as ORS 610.150 to 610.155 and pursuant to Permanent Administrative Rule 603-019-0001 to 603-019-0040. The Depredation Committee meetings are subject to Oregon Public Meeting Law.

**ARTICLE IV: COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

**1. Members**

Committee members are appointed by the Morrow County Board of Commissioners as prescribed in Administrative Rule 603-019-0015 and shall consist of seven individuals as follows:

- a. One County Commissioner
- b. Two members who own or manage livestock
- c. Two members who support wolf conservation or coexistence with wolves
- d. Two County business representatives

The Committee members serve at the pleasure of the Morrow County Board of Commissioners.

**2. Terms of Service**

Committee members shall serve terms of four years. To develop a logical rotation of committee members, the initial members shall draw straws for the length of their first term, either three years or four years. All subsequent terms will be four years.

**3. Quorum**

A simple majority will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

**4. Voting**

Each committee member shall have one vote. A member may appear via telephone or other electronic method to attend, count as part of the quorum, and to vote. If a quorum is achieved, a simple majority of those present at a regularly scheduled meeting is required to approve motions or actions on behalf of the committee. There shall be no voting by proxy.

**5. Conflict of Interest**

No committee member may vote upon a matter coming before the committee in which he or she has a direct financial interest. Immediately upon becoming aware that such conflict may exist, a committee member must disclose the existence of the potential conflict to the committee, withdraw from further deliberation on the issue, and refrain from voting on the matter. Any such disclosure and withdrawal shall be fully documented in the minutes. Any other conflict of interest that does not have a direct financial interest to a committee member but pertains to the member's family or business must be disclosed and noted in the minutes, but the member may participate in the discussion and vote.

**6. Committee Officers**

At the first meeting of each calendar year, the committee shall select from within its own membership a Chair and Vice-Chair. The Chair and Vice-Chair shall serve for the remainder of the calendar year. There are no term limits for the Chair and Vice-Chair.

**ARTICLE V: MEETINGS**

A meeting of the Depredation Committee may be called at any time with at least 24 hours' notice by the Chair, or in his/her absence, by the Vice-Chair, or upon receipt of a request signed by two or more committee members.

**ARTICLE VI: ADMINISTRATION OF WOLF DEPREDATION COMPENSATION AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDS**

The Depredation Committee shall administer the program and funds for the Wolf Depredation Compensation and Financial Assistance Grant Program for Morrow County as prescribed in Oregon Permanent Administrative Rule 603-019-0001 to 603-019-0040.

The Depredation Committee will establish values or rates of compensation for a loss based on the following: livestock sales yards in the area (Northwest Livestock Commission, LLC in Hermiston; Intermountain Livestock in La Grande) will be surveyed to obtain the prevailing price during the week preceding the mortality.

**ARTICLE VII: ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS TO THE BYLAWS**

**1. Adoption**

Following approval of the Bylaws by the Depredation Committee, they shall be submitted to the Morrow County Board of Commissioners for its approval.

**2. Amendments**

The Bylaws may be amended at any time by simple majority of the committee, subject to approval by the Morrow County Board of Commissioners. Proposed amendments shall be provided to all committee members at least 30 days prior to a vote.

Approved by the Morrow County Wolf Depredation Advisory Committee

Dean K. Robinson  
Chair

3/23/17  
Date

Approved by the Morrow County Board of Commissioners

Melissa Lindsay  
Melissa Lindsay, Chair

3-22-17  
Date

Don Russell  
Don Russell, Vice-Chair

3-22-17  
Date

Jim Doherty  
Jim Doherty, Commissioner

3-22-17  
Date