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An update from Manitoba Beef Producers

Livestock Producers Receive Tax Relief for 2019 List of Designated Regions for 2019 under the Livestock Tax Deferral Provision

(News Release)

On July 22 the Government of Canada released an initial list of designated regions in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Quebec where livestock tax deferral has been authorized for 2019 due to extreme weather conditions.

Preliminary analysis indicates that livestock producers in Western Canada and Quebec are experiencing significant forage shortages due to drought conditions, supporting an early designation under the livestock tax deferral provision. Ongoing analysis and consultations will continue to determine if additional regions will be added to the designated list.

The livestock tax deferral provision allows livestock producers in prescribed drought, flood or excess moisture regions to defer a portion of their 2019 sale proceeds of breeding livestock until 2020 to help replenish the herd. The cost of replacing the animals in 2020 will offset the deferred income, thereby reducing the tax burden associated with the original sale.

The criteria for identifying regions for livestock tax deferral is forage shortfalls of 50 percent or more caused by drought or excess moisture.

Eligible regions are identified based on weather, climate, and production data, in consultation with industry and provinces.

Eligibility for the tax deferral is limited to those producers located inside the designated prescribed areas. Producers in those regions can request the tax deferral when filing their 2019 income tax returns.

Quotes

"Canadian producers have had to face numerous challenges due to extreme weather conditions. It is a priority for our government to quickly determine how the livestock tax deferral will be authorized to ensure that our producers have the support necessary to make informed herd management decisions and to help them keep their businesses strong."

- The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food

Quick facts

Low moisture levels resulted in significant forage shortages for livestock producers in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Quebec in 2019. One option for producers is to reduce their breeding herd in order to manage feed supplies.

In addition to the livestock tax deferral provision, producers have

access to assistance through existing Canadian Agricultural Partnership Business Risk Management programs, which include AgriInsurance, AgriStability and AgriInvest.

Associated links

- [Livestock Tax Deferral Provision](#)
- [Canadian Agricultural Partnership](#)
- [Drought Watch \(Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada\)](#)

Manitoba – 2019 Livestock Tax Deferral

(Municipalities based on 2016 Statistics Canada Census)

1. Alexander
2. Alonsa
3. Argyle
4. Armstrong
5. Bifrost-Riverton
6. Boissevain-Morton
7. Brenda-Waskada
8. Brokenhead
9. Cartier
10. Cartwright-Roblin
11. Clanwilliam-Erickson
12. Coldwell
13. Dauphin
14. De Salaberry
15. Deloraine-Winchester
16. Division No. 17, Unorganized
17. Division No. 18, Unorganized, West Part
18. Division No. 20, Unorganized, South Part
19. Dufferin
20. Ellice-Archie
21. Elton
22. Emerson-Franklin

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| 23. Ethelbert | 50. Mossey River | 77. St. Clements |
| 24. Fisher | 51. Mountain (South) | 78. St. François Xavier |
| 25. Gilbert Plains | 52. Norfolk-Treherne | 79. St. Laurent |
| 26. Gimli | 53. North Cypress-Langford | 80. Stanley |
| 27. Glenboro-South Cypress | 54. North Norfolk | 81. Ste. Anne |
| 28. Glenella-Lansdowne | 55. Oakland-Wawanesa | 82. Ste. Rose |
| 29. Grahamdale | 56. Oakview | 83. Swan Valley West |
| 30. Grandview | 57. Pembina | 84. Taché |
| 31. Grassland | 58. Pipestone | 85. Thompson |
| 32. Grey | 59. Portage la Prairie | 86. Two Borders |
| 33. Hamiota | 60. Prairie Lakes | 87. Victoria |
| 34. Hanover | 61. Prairie View | 88. Wallace-Woodworth |
| 35. Harrison Park | 62. Reynolds | 89. West Interlake |
| 36. Headingley | 63. Rhineland | 90. West St. Paul |
| 37. Hillsburg-Roblin-Shell River | 64. Riding Mountain West | 91. WestLake-Gladstone |
| 38. Killarney - Turtle Mountain | 65. Ritchot | 92. Whitehead |
| 39. La Broquerie | 66. Riverdale | 93. Whitemouth |
| 40. Lac du Bonnet | 67. Rockwood | 94. Winnipeg |
| 41. Lakeshore | 68. Roland | 95. Woodlands |
| 42. Lorne | 69. Rosedale | 96. Yellowhead |
| 43. Louise | 70. Rossburn | |
| 44. Macdonald | 71. Rosser | |
| 45. McCreary | 72. Russell-Binscarth | |
| 46. Minitonas-Bowsman | 73. Sifton | |
| 47. Minto-Odanah | 74. Souris-Glenwood | |
| 48. Montcalm | 75. Springfield | |
| 49. Morris | 76. St. Andrews | |

<https://www.canada.ca/en/agriculture-agri-food/news/2019/07/livestock-producers-receive-tax-relief-for-2019.html>

In the News

A look at the news and articles of interest
to Manitoba's beef industry

- [CCA Action News Vol 22 Issue 7](#)
- [CAHRC Summer Newsletter](#)
- [Manitoba Agriculture Crop Report](#)
- [Livestock ID and Traceability Program Update](#)

Great Tastes of Manitoba is 30!



MBP Food Expert Elisabeth Harms joins Dez Daniels to share some great new recipes using Manitoba beef.

MBP working with professor on conservation study

Manitoba Beef Producers is collaborating with Dr. Jeremy Pittman from the University of Waterloo's School of Planning (Canada) on a research project about ranchers' and farmers' preferences for species-at-risk and endangered species conservation programs in Western Canada (British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba). We seek your insights into what conservation programs are desirable and best suited for your operations.

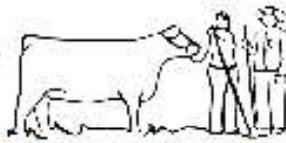
Participation in this study involves completing a 15-minute online survey. In appreciation for your time, you will be given the opportunity to enter into a draw to win one of forty gift cards, which are each valued at \$100 CAD. Your odds of winning one of the prizes is based on the number of individuals who participate in the study, but we will be giving away 10 prizes per province. This study has been reviewed and received ethics clearance through a University of Waterloo Research Ethics Committee.

Please click on the link or type the link into your web browser to participate in the survey:

https://uwaterloo.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bw7CeipWl5yTg69

If you have any questions, please contact Jeremy Pittman at 1-519-888-4567 ext. 31544 or email: jpittman@uwaterloo.ca

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about

WHO:

Any young cattle producers under the age of 25 years of age as of January 1, 2019. Whether you are a commercial, purebred, 4-H or new junior, you are all welcome to attend.

WHAT:

Manitoba Youth Beef Round Up All Breeds Junior Cattle Weekend

WHERE:

Beautiful Plains Ag Society, Neepawa, Manitoba

WHEN:

Friday - Sunday, August 2nd to 4th, 2019

WHY:

To bring juniors of all ages, breeds and locations together for a fun, educational weekend for cattle and non cattle events.

schedule

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2, 2019

1:00 - 3:00 PM Cattle/Participant Arrival & Registration
3:00 - 5:00 PM Judging and Oral Reasons Clinic
6:00 PM Supper
7:00 PM Welcome & Ag Challenge

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 2019

8:00 - 9:00 AM Breakfast, Cattle in Barns & Interviews for Ambassador
9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Pee Wee & Junior Stall Card Comp.
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Judging, Public Speaking & Workshops
12:00 - 1:00 PM Lunch
1:00 - 2:00 PM Team Grooming
2:00 - 4:00 PM Team Judging, Stockman's Quiz & Pee Wee Learning Clinic
4:00 - 5:00 PM Cattle Tie Out & Chores
6:00 PM Cook-Off
7:30 - 9:00 PM Banquet

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2019

8:00 - 9:00 PM Breakfast & Cattle in Barns
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM Showmanship
12:00 - 1:00 PM Lunch & Group Photo
1:00 - 5:00 PM Confirmation Classes & Parade of Champions
5:00 - 6:00 PM Supper & Awards Ceremony



Manitoba Youth Beef Round Up
www.mbyouthbeefroundup.weebly.com



Initial Meeting Between Senior Leadership of CCA and The Weather Network

CCA Statement, Calgary, AB – On July 22 Canadian Cattlemen's Association (CCA) senior leadership met via call with Pelmorex Corp (parent company of The Weather Network) leadership today in response to a video published by the Weather Network on July 18, 2019.

The video, based on a new report from the World Resources Institute, portrayed an inaccurate depiction of global beef production. During the meeting, CCA communicated the high level of concern expressed by beef producers across the country over the weekend.

The purpose of this meeting was to provide balanced, fact-based information on the role cattle play in

sustaining the environment, natural ecosystems, and biodiversity. The Weather Network was receptive to learn about the Canadian beef industry's sustainability and conservation efforts. The outcome was a positive first step towards collaboration in sharing information, with emphasis on Canadian beef production practices for future reporting. We look forward to connecting our industry partners in conservation and research with The Weather Network.

In Canada, the beef industry accounts for only 2.4 percent of national emissions and 0.04 percent of global emissions. The Canadian beef industry provides many positive contributions to the environment, such

as maintaining grasslands, sequestering carbon and increasing biodiversity and wildlife habitat, all on lands mostly unsuitable for other purposes.

In fact, Canada is a global leader in sustainability initiatives through the Canadian Roundtable for Sustainable Beef (CRSB). The CRSB works with a wide variety of stakeholders to advance the continuous improvement and sustainability in Canadian beef, and is an active contributor to global beef sustainability efforts through the Global Roundtable for Sustainable Beef.

CCA will actively pursue opportunities to collaborate on content that represents production innovations and environmental stewardship actions of beef producers in Canada.

TESA APPLICATIONS DUE TO MBP BY DECEMBER 6

Manitoba Beef Producers is accepting applications for Manitoba's Environmental Stewardship Award (TESA) until December 6.

Since 1996, the Canadian Cattlemen Association's (CCA) TESA has recognized producers who go above and beyond standard industry conservation practices, setting positive examples for other cattle producers and the general public.

At the provincial level, the winning operation receives recognition for its outstanding contributions, which in MBP's case occurs in conjunction with its annual general meeting in February. All provincial award recipients then move forward to compete at the national level.

The national TESA recipient is announced during the Canadian

Beef Industry Conference and CCA Semi-Annual Meeting in August. All provincial recipients are awarded an all-expense paid trip for two to attend this meeting.

Each TESA nominee exemplifies significant innovation and attention to a wide range of environmental stewardship aspects of their farm operation. Such innovations extend beneficially to areas far beyond their land, including water, wildlife and air.

All beef cattle operations in Canada may apply. Producers can either be nominated by an individual or organization, or apply themselves. Nominees and applicants compete for one of the provincial awards based on their province of residence.

For more information and to access the application go to <http://www.cattle.ca/sustainability/the-environmental->



[stewardship-award/](#), or contact MBP for a copy.

The form, along with all supporting documentation (such as letters of support, photos and/or videos), is to be submitted to Manitoba Beef Producers c/o 220-530 Century Street, Winnipeg, MB R3H 0Y4 by December 6, 2019. The application can be emailed to info@mbbeef.ca.

The 2018 national level TESA winners was Manitoba's Circle H Farms, a purebred cow-calf operation owned and operated by Brian and Sonja Harper and family.

Manitoba Livestock Tour 2019

Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association, Manitoba Beef Producers and Manitoba Beef and Forage Initiatives bring you the Manitoba Livestock Tour featuring novel and innovative ideas implemented by successful livestock operations.

This tour has been designed to showcase different strategies to help producers increase profits and manage workloads associated with today's livestock operations.

Wednesday, July 31, 2019

Southwest of Brandon

9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Starts at Borderland Agriculture (Brooks & Jen White)
(west of Lyleton on MB-251, south on Rd 166W 3.3 km)

- annuals for grazing
- winter corn grazing
- innovation in forage establishment
- feeding and calving strategies for large herds
- value added through organic production
- lunch courtesy of Cargill Animal Nutrition and 2B Land and Cattle

Thursday, August 1, 2019

Northwest of Brandon

9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Starts at Manitoba Beef & Forage Initiatives Farm,
Brookdale MB

- using calving cameras without electricity
- weather station data
- consumer trends in beef consumption
- tour of assembly yards
- feedlot tour
- creep feeding to extend your pasture
- using beef cattle to compliment another farm enterprise
- lunch courtesy of Manitoba Beef Producers

This will be a tailgate tour where you bring your vehicle and follow along from stop to stop. Producers can elect to choose either day separately or take in both days.

Register by July 29, 2019. Cost will be \$30 per person, per day.

For more information or to register, call 204 622-2007

This tour is presented in part by Manitoba Beef Producers, Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association, Cargill Animal Nutrition, 2B Land and Cattle, Precision Cam and Trouw Nutrition.

Busy Summer Ahead for Grassland Carbon Research in Manitoba

National CFGA Project Utilizes Six Manitoba Fields to Determine Greenhouse Gas Reduction

(MFGA News Release, July 16, 2019)

Researchers will be digging down on six Manitoba fields this summer as part of a national project to look at the role of forages and grasslands in reducing Greenhouse Gases in Canada.

“High Performance Management Systems To Reduce Greenhouse Gases in Canada’s Forages and Grasslands” is being led nationally by the Canadian Forage and Grassland Association (CFGA) after a successful application to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada’s Greenhouse Gases Program last year.

“Grasslands around the world warrant significant attention when discussing GHGs due to their sheer size, whether they are serving as a source, sink, or reservoir,” said Cedric McLeod, CFGA executive director. “The Canadian Forage and Grasslands sector is the single largest land use component of Canadian agriculture, covering over 70-million acres of cropland, with 36-million acres devoted to native rangeland and the remaining 34-million acres dedicated to the production of annual and perennial tame forages. CFGA saw a real need to lead our project and paint a national picture as to how impactful these areas are in reducing greenhouse gases in Canada.”

Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association (MFGA) is fully supportive of the CFGA project and helped identify the five producer fields as well as the sixth at Manitoba Beef and Forages Initiatives (MBFI) research and demonstration Brookdale farm near Brandon, MB as project sites. Dr. Terence McGonigle of

Brandon University will lead the research team in sampling the nominated fields.

Manitoba’s grasslands cover approximately six million acres of total farm land in the province, positioning Manitoba as one of Canada’s grassland and forage powerhouses on a national scale. Although many groups view the grasslands as a highly valuable and yet increasingly at-risk ecosystem, there remains a lack of commitment to ensure sustainable use, as well as avoided conversion to annual cropping or other land uses.

While MBFI was selected for the research-history and capacity of the Brookdale Farm (located on the site formerly occupied by the Zero-Till Management Research Farm), measuring the carbon holding capacity of the other five Manitoba fields will help showcase the best management practices that the producers utilize.

“Quite frankly, the five producers that we selected represent a growing number of what we feel are a rapidly increasing number of really informed, really keen livestock and grass producers in our province,” said Duncan Morrison, MFGA executive director. “We want to showcase the results from the way these families are farming and the management systems they are utilizing. It’s time to add the carbon equation to the decision mix and bolster the biodiversity, water management and soil health platforms of grassland retention, forage and livestock production and producer profitability. It’s another feather in our collective farming caps as we tell our producers’ stories around the good they do for our province and country,

this time via research anticipated to confirm greenhouse gas reduction on their fields.”

The five Manitoba producers are:

- 1) Located in the upper valley of the Assiniboine River near Miniota, the farm of Ryan Canart employs intensified rotational grazing. The study field has been put to rotational grazing for 15 years, following conversion from annual crops in 2004.
- 2) East of Miniota at Hamiota, the farm of Dr. Allan Preston uses balanced fertility. The study field is 30 ac. More details are being gathered and provided.
- 3) Between Brandon and the approach to Riding Mountain National Park, the farm of Clayton Robins uses annual crop integration. Two fields are being studied, with annual crops added from 2011 and 2018, respectively to rest perennials in the critical acclimation period. The cereal or cereal-fababean crop is undersown to a late-season forage mix, with grazing in strips across the field from September. The crop is baled, with feeding at the site formed.
- 4) At the south-west of the province, the farm of Matt Van Steelandt near Melita is utilizing adaptive multi-paddock grazing and extensive livestock wintering to build soil health. Various historic bale grazing events are evident across the site. Bale grazing is from December to April. Two selected event sites are from January 2015 and January 2017.

5) Directly east of Winnipeg, the farm of Jonathan Bouw near Anola utilizes intensive rotational grazing and bale grazing. Bale grazing proceeds from November to May. Animals for bale grazing are heifers and steers at 1.5 years of age at the start of bale grazing. Outside of the bale grazing period, rotational grazing is for 60 developing bulls on 3 ac for 2-3 days. Using the January date, paddocks to be studied correspond to bale grazing in 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, and 2020. Samples are to be taken on-bale and off-bale.

The research aspects of the project wrap up next year. CFGA General Managers will be at MBFI in late July for their annual national meeting which will include updates on MFGA-CFGA AGGP results. MFGA will also feature the project on their website at mfga.net and look to profile the producers and research at the MFGA Regenerative Ag Days November 19-20, 2019.



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MFGA Positions for Regenerative Agriculture

(MFGA News Release, July 10, 2019) -- Regenerative Agriculture is a fast-evolving, producer-led force in Manitoba. Manitoba Forage and Grassland Association (MFGA) is keeping pace with it.

“MFGA’s interests in Regenerative Agriculture lie squarely in producing high quality food while improving the natural ecosystem,” says Ryan Boyd, MFGA’s finance chair and a well-regarded Regenerative Agriculture leader in Manitoba. “We believe that Regenerative Agriculture farms strive to be part of a larger ecosystem, shifting the paradigm from prioritizing high yields above all else to establishing cycles of regeneration that improve long-term land use via profit and ecosystem health.”

The MFGA board of directors recently approved an official MFGA position on Regenerative Agriculture. This position and recommendations will also help MFGA organize producer gatherings and information exchanges such as the 2019 MFGA Regenerative Agriculture

Days planned for Brandon November 19-20, 2019. Expertise on Regenerative Agriculture runs throughout MFGA’s board of directors and producer network and MFGA board of directors will be creating a MFGA Regenerative Agriculture Committee to chart and inspire the organization’s path.

“Our leaders are well aware that Regenerative Agriculture can provide a valuable land base for forage production, crop rotations and livestock grazing, while delivering numerous ecological goods and services, including wildlife habitat, recreational opportunities, water capture and storage, and the resilience of Manitoba’s agricultural landscape to climate extremes,” said Boyd. “The ultimate goal is producer profitability on healthy agricultural lands managed with wise land use practices that vastly improve soil, water and air quality.”

Darren Chapman, MFGA Chair, says MFGA has dedicated time and resources toward building and promoting Regenerative Agriculture in Manitoba and beyond as MFGA

leaders have presented Regenerative Agriculture practices on many event stages as keynote speakers and proponents. MFGA delivered the largest Regenerative Agriculture gathering ever held in Manitoba at the 2018 MFGA Regenerative Agriculture Conference, and will be hosting a similar-large-sized conference in 2020.

“In 2019, MFGA will host a smaller-yet-equally-significant gathering around Regenerative Agriculture in Brandon to time with our MFGA Annual General Meeting where we are bringing in well-known experts Dr. Dwayne Beck and Jay Fuhrer to speak with our producers,” said Chapman. “Because of our organization’s focus and the pursuit of Regenerative Agriculture among our networks, MFGA is at the leading edge of defining and promoting Regenerative Agriculture in Manitoba. And, that’s exactly where we want to be.”

MFGA AGM and Regenerative Agriculture 2019 registration and information can be found [here](#). The MFGA Regenerative Agriculture Position can be found [here](#).





Reducing Livestock Predation Risk: Testing Innovative Ways to Minimise Losses

Looking for cooperators



Payments will not be made to producers for their involvement, it is expected that those participating in the project are already experiencing losses at a level that they would see the benefit in a target approach with highly specialized equipment and expert involvement.

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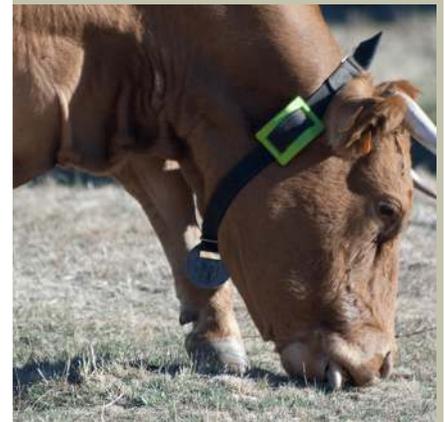
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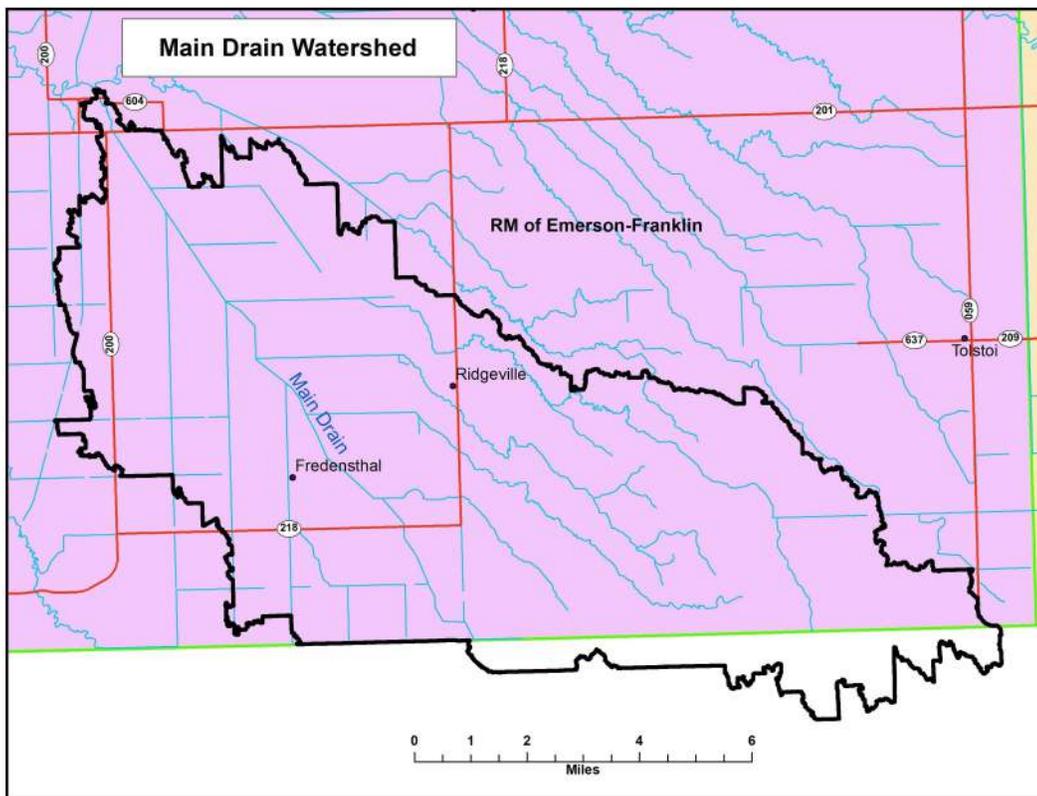
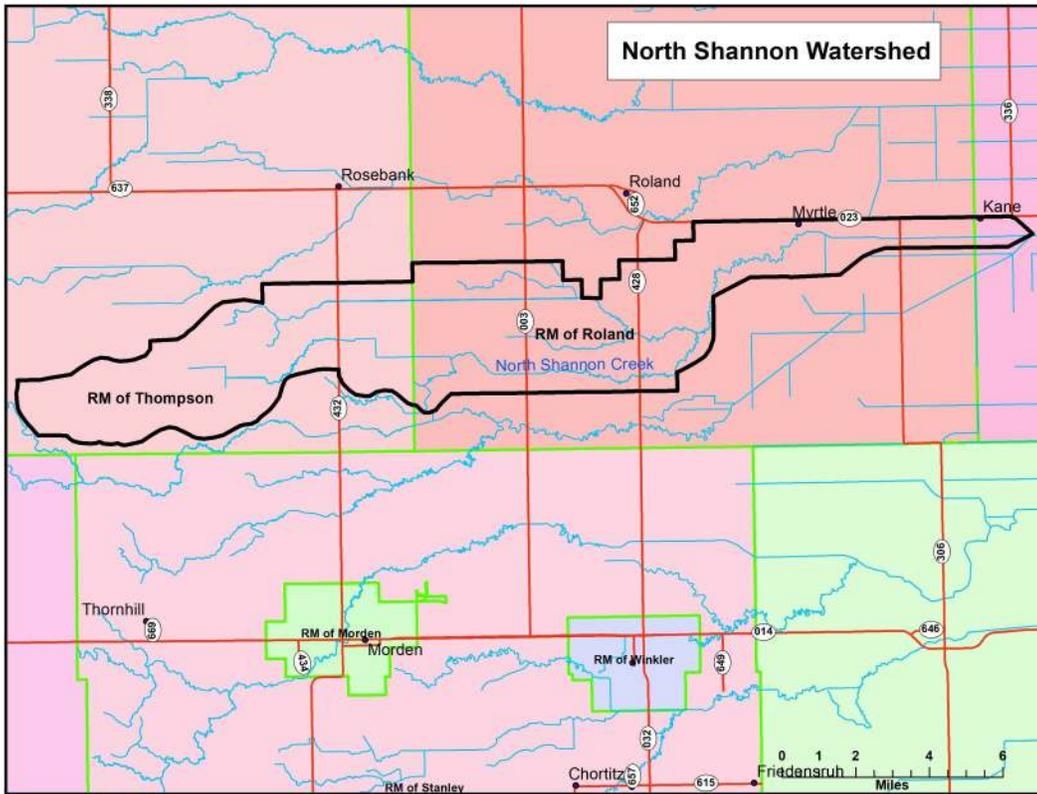
- 1) Testing a method of assessing the risk of predation to your operation
- 2) Deploying multiple monitoring & predator deterrents

Are you experiencing losses within
the outlined watersheds?

This project is looking for innovative livestock producers who:

- are experiencing losses
- willing to try unorthodox experimental approaches to stopping predator attacks
- willing to provide information on costs, attitudes, animal husbandry, mortality management and past losses among other information
- will provide in-kind support in the form of assisting with fence/equipment installation, weekly monitoring of fences and trail cams, moving of equipment on a regular basis
- will participate in demonstration events, interviews, web and paper based communications.

Target watersheds are found in Districts 2, 3, 4, 6 & 8.



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