



City of Helena

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Representative Rick Ripley, Chair  
Natural Resources and Commerce  
Appropriations Subcommittee  
State Capitol  
Helena MT 59620

Dear Representative Ripley and Subcommittee Members:

At the request of Jeff Hagener, Director of the Fish Wildlife and Parks Department, I was a participant on the Urban Wildlife Working Group.

As you may be aware, the City of Helena has been working with the department over a number of years on urban wildlife issues, particularly the deer problem in our community.

I concur with the department's approach to incrementally develop an Urban Wildlife Program and urge you to support the Working Group recommendation. If I can provide further information, or if you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Tim Burton  
City Manager