I am writing in opposition to the State's RC009.

Wildlife population needs to be managed with clear, attainable achievements. My understanding is there is a <u>lack of</u> <u>independent scientific evidence</u> that shows this move will balance the habitat load or reproductive rates of desirable species. The impact of predation is NOT the only reason that has an effect on other wildlife.

At least for me, accountability of government spending and actions needs to be scrutinized. The State didn't assess how the program would impact bears. Taxpayers have a right to know how their hard-earned money is spent. In addition, there are both moral and ethical concerns that the public has a right to know in order to validate the decisions the state's government make in the service of the public.

This is not an emergency. There has been an <u>inadequate public</u> <u>notice</u> period for this process. Nothing has changed since the ruling that the program was unlawful.