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Please make corrections to name, address and ZIP Code, if necessary.

₃ □ No

2 ☐ Don't Know

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SECTION 1 - GENERAL

For the purposes of this study, wild pigs refer to all species of feral swine, feral hogs, and wild boar.

1.	On S	June 1, 2015, how many acres did your operation:		Acres				
	a.	100						
	b.	101						
	c. Rent to others?							
2.	Calc	lculate item 1a + 1b - 1c. Then the total acres operated on June 1, 201	5 was:=	103				
3.	In w	what state and county is the majority of your operation located?		OFFICE USE				
		State County		104				
				105				
	During the last 3 years, have wild pigs been present in the county reported in Item 3? 106 1 Yes							

5.	During the last 3 years, have wild pigs been present on your operation?
	107 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know

SECTION 2 - CROPS

1.	were any crops narveste	d on your operation in 2014?
	¹⁰⁸ ₁ ☐ Yes – Continue	₃ □ No – Go to Section 3

2. Please report for up to three crops harvested in 2014 with the highest value of production in 2014.

		Unit	Crop 1	Crop 2	Crop 3
a.	In 2014, which crop(s) harvested on your operation produced the highest value of production? Report for up to three crops.	Crop	109	110	111
b.	How many total acres of this crop were planted?	Acres	112	113	114
C.	How many total acres of this crop were harvested?	Acres	115	116	117
of	(i.) What was the average yield per acre this crop?	Number	118	119	120
	(ii.) What was the unit for the yield reported in row c(i) above?	Unit	121 1 □ Bushels 2 □ Pounds 3 □ Tons 4 □ Other (Specify: 1000	122 1 □ Bushels 2 □ Pounds 3 □ Tons 4 □ Other (Specify: 1001)	123 1 □ Bushels 2 □ Pounds 3 □ Tons 4 □ Other (Specify: 1002)
	(iii.) What was the average price received (or expect to be receive) for this crop harvested in 2014?	Dollars per unit	\$/unit	\$/unit	\$ /unit
	(iv.) Was this crop certified as organic?	Code	127 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No	128 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No	129 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No
d.	Were wild pigs present on any field of this crop? (If Yes , continue. If No or Don't Know , go to Item 2e)	Code	130 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know	131 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know	132 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know
	(i.) Was this crop damaged by wild pigs? (If Yes , continue. If No or Don't Know , go to Item 2e)	Code	133 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know	134 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know	135 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know
	(ii.) How many acres of this crop were damaged by wild pigs?	Acres	136	137	138
	(iii.) What was the average yield per acre of the acres damaged by wild pigs?	Number	139	140	141
	(iv.) If these acres had not been damaged, what would have been their yield per	Number	142	143	144
e.	Did you have crop insurance on this crop? (If Yes , continue. If No , go to Section 3)	Code	145 1 □ Yes 3 □ No	146 ₁□Yes ₃□No	147 1 □ Yes 3 □ No
	(i.) Did the crop insurance policy cover wildlife damage? (If Yes , continue. If No or Don't Know , go to Section 3)	Code	148 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know	149 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know	150 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No 2 ☐ Don't Know
	(ii.) Did you file a claim on this crop for wild pig damage? (If Yes , continue. If No , go to Section 3)	Code	151 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No	152 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No	153 1 ☐ Yes 3 ☐ No

(iii.) What was the total payment received or expected to be received from the	Dollars	154	155	156
insurance company for the wild pig		\$	\$	\$
damage claim?				

SECTION 3 – LIVESTOCK

1. Were any livestock on your operation in 2014? ¹⁵⁷ ₁ □ Yes – Continue 3 ☐ No – Go to Section 4 None 2. How many of the following types of livestock were on your operation on December 31, 2014? Head 158 a. Cattle and Calves..... 159 b. Domestic Hogs and Pigs...... 160 c. Sheep and Lambs..... 161 d. Goats and Kids..... 162 e. Poultry 163 f. Horses, Ponies, and Mules..... 164 g. Other (Specify: 1003 3. In 2014, to the best of your knowledge, were wild pigs ever seen in areas where livestock are kept? ¹⁶⁵ ₁ ☐ Yes - Continue ₃ □ No – Go to Item 5 4. In 2014, to the best of your knowledge, how often were wild pigs seen in areas where livestock are kept? 166 Daily Weekly About once a month Less than once a month 5. In 2014, was there evidence that wild pigs entered or gained access to livestock barns or pens? 167 ₁ ☐ Yes 3 □ No ₂ □ Don't Know ⁴ □ Not Applicable 6. In 2014, was there evidence that wild pigs entered or gained access to stored livestock feed, grain, and hay? 168 ₁ □ Yes 3 □ No 2 ☐ Don't Know 4 ☐ Not Applicable 7. In 2014, could you attribute any of the following livestock diseases on your operation to the presence of wild pigs? ₃ □ No ₃ □ No c. Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) 171 $_1$ \square Yes 3 □ No 3 □ No e. Other (Specify: 1004

SECTION 3 – LIVESTOCK

ny w	y were lost in 2014, what wa rild pigs?	as the market value o			Primary cause
	Livestock Type	Livestock lost due to wild pigs?	Number lost to wild pigs in 2014 (Head)	Total market value of livestock lost at time of death to wild pigs (Dollars)	of loss due to wild pigs (Check one)
a.	Cattle and Calves	¹⁷⁵ ₁□ Yes ₃□ No	176	177	Disease Attack Don't Know
b.	Domestic Hogs and Pigs	¹⁷⁹ ₁□ Yes ₃□ No	180	181	Disease Don't Know
C.	Sheep and Lambs	¹⁸³ ₁□Yes ₃□No	184	185	Disease 2 □ Attack 3 □ Don't Know
d.	Goats and Kids	¹⁸⁷ ₁□Yes ₃□No	188	189	Disease 2 □ Attack 3 □ Don't Know
e.	Poultry	¹⁹¹ ₁□ Yes ₃□ No	192	193	194 1 ☐ Disease 2 ☐ Attack 3 ☐ Don't Know
f.	Other (Specify:	¹⁹⁵ ₁□Yes ₃□No	196	197	198 1 ☐ Disease 2 ☐ Attack 3 ☐ Don't Know
f. f any D. Wh app	Other (Specify: 1005 of the deaths reported in latich of the following made the oly	195 ₁ □ Yes ₃ □ No	196 lisease, continue; o	therwise go to Item 11]	3 □ Don't 198 1 □ Disea 2 □ Attac 3 □ Don't
200 201	☐ Farm Manager ☐ Biologist ☐ Veterinarian				
202)	
Г	Other (Specify: 1006				

SECTION 4 - PROPERTY

1.	In 2014, did wild pigs dar	nage any property on your o	operation?
	²⁰⁵ ₁ ☐ Yes - Continue	₃ □ No – Go to Section 5	2 ☐ Don't Know – Go to Section 5

2. In 2014, which of the following types of damage due to wild pigs occurred on your operation? If property was damaged, how much did it cost, or would you estimate it would cost, to repair the damage and how severe was the damage?

	Damage Type	Did	Cost of	How severe was the damage? Check one per r				r row	
		damage occur?	damage (or estimate	Not Severe	Slightly Severe	Moderately Severe	Very Severe	Unsure	
a.	Damage to buildings	²⁰⁶ ₁□ Yes	207 \$	208 1	2	3	4	5	
b.	Damage to fencing	²⁰⁹ ₁□Yes	210 \$	211 1	2	3	4	5	
C.	Damage to livestock waterers, water pumps, and/or irrigation equipment	²¹² ₁□ Yes	213	214 1	2	3	4	5	
d	Damage to vehicles	²¹⁵ ₁□Yes	216	217 1	2	3	4	5	
e.	Damage to residential property	²¹⁸ ₁□Yes	219	220 1	2	3	4	5	
f.	Damage to roads	²²¹ ₁□Yes	222	223 1	2	3	4	5	
g.	Damage to stored livestock feed, grain, and hay	²²⁴ ₁ □ Yes ₃ □ No	225	226 1	2	3□	4	5	
h.	Damage to terraces, stream banks, or ponds	²²⁷ ₁ □ Yes ₃ □ No		228 1	2	3	4	5	
i.	Loss of wildlife habitat	²²⁹ ₁□ Yes		230 1	2	3	4	5	
j.	Field topsoil erosion	²³¹ ₁□ Yes		232 1	2	3	4	5	
k.	Loss of trees	²³³ ₁□ Yes		234 1	2	3	4	5	
I.	Fecal contamination of water	²³⁵ ₁□ Yes		236 1	2	3□	4□	5	
m.	Fecal contamination of crops	²³⁷ ₁□ Yes		238 1	2	3	4	5	
n.	Other (Specify:	²³⁹ ₁□ Yes	240	241 1	2	3	4	5	

SECTION 5 - CONTROL

1. In 2014, were any control methods used on your operation in order to reduce or prevent damage from wild pigs?

	Use Control Method open		Cost (Include labor)	How effective was the control method? Check one per row				
		in 2014?	(Dollars)	Not Effective	Slightly Effective	Moderately Effective	Very Effective	
a.	Shooting wild pigs on sight	²⁴³ ₁ ☐ Yes ₃ ☐ No	244 \$	245 1	2	3	4	
b.	Hunting wild pigs with dogs	²⁴⁶ ₁□ Yes	247 \$	248 1	2	3	4	
C.	Hunting wild pigs without dogs	²⁴⁹ ₁ □ Yes	250 \$	251 1	2	3	4	
d.	Aerial hunting	²⁵² ₁□ Yes	253 \$	254 1	2	3	4	
e.	Trapping and removing wild pigs	²⁵⁵ ₁□ Yes	256 \$	257 1	2	3	4	
f.	Repellents for wild pigs	²⁵⁸ ₁□ Yes	259 \$	260 1	2	3	4	
g.	Other (Specify:	²⁶¹ ₁□ Yes	262 \$	263 1	2	3	4□	
	014, did you use electric ☐ Yes – Continue ₃☐			ically to reduc	ce damage by	wild pigs?	Dollars	
a.	How much did it cost to it	nstall this elec	tric fencing?			265		
b.	At the time of installation fencing?	, how many ye	ears was the expec	ted useful life	of this electric	266		
In	2014, did you use non-ele	ectric fencing o	on your operation s	specifically to	reduce dama	ge by wild pigs	?	
	¹ ☐ Yes – Continue ³ ☐	No - Go to Ite	m E					

Years

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	b.	At the time of installation, how many years was fencing?						
		SECT	ION 5 – C	ONTROL				
	ne In 2	014, how many wild pigs were killed on your o _l	peration?			[Hea 270	
6.	In 2	014, how many live wild pigs were removed fro	om your oper	ation?		┌	271	d
[If	Item	6 is zero, go to Item 7; otherwise continue]						
	a.	Of the (Item 6) live wild pigs removed from you	ır operation ir	n 2014, wei	re any sold?			
b. What was the average price per head you received for the live wild pigs removed from your operation in 2014?								Head
7.	on y	014, did you seek help from a county, state, or f our operation? □ Yes □ No ₁□ NA – No damage by wild pigs	ederal agenc	y because	of the damage	due to wild	pigs	
			TION 6 – H	UNTING				
1.		014, did you or anyone else hunt on your operat		(1. O			
2.		\square Yes – Continue $_3$ \square No – Go to Section 7 use answer the following items regarding hunting				Check all tha	at apply	
		Hunting	Wild Pigs	Deer	Upland Birds	Waterfowl	Turkeys	Other
	a.	Which animals did you or your immediate family hunt on your operation in 2014?	276	277	278	279	280	281
	b.	Which animals did anyone other than your immediate family hunt on your operation in 2014 without paying?	282	283	284	285	286	287
	C.	Which animals did anyone pay to be allowed to hunt on your operation in 2014? (Exclude guide or outfitting services)	288	289	290	291	292	293
	d.	For which animals did you provide a guide or outfitting service to paying hunters on your operation in 2014?	294	295	296	297	298	299
	e.	Which animals have experienced a decline in population on your operation in the last 3 years that you attribute to wild pigs?		300	301	302	303	304

3. During 2014, what was your net income from:

Dollars

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		None
a.	Wild pig hunting on your operation?	
b.	All hunting activities on your operation?	

SECTION 7 – DEMOGRAPHICS

1	What was your ago on Docombor 21, 20142				Years	
	What was your age on December 31, 2014?			307		
2	What is your gender?		308 1	⊐Male	3 □ F	emale
3	At which occupation did you spend the majority of y	vour worktime in 2014?	Farm or r	anch wo	ork ₂□	l Other
4	. Do you make the majority of the decisions about far	rming/ranching for your operation?		³¹⁰ ₁ C] Yes	₃□№
5	Are you a hired manager for your operation?			³¹¹ ₁ \square	l Yes 3	, □ No
6	Do you currently live on your operation?			. ³¹² ₁ \square	l Yes	₃□№
					Year YYYY)	
	In what year did you begin to make day-to-day decisperation?	sions for a farm or ranch		313		
8	In 2014, what was your total household income before 314	ore taxes? Check one only				
	Less than \$1,000 \$1,000 to \$2,499 \$2,500 to \$4,999 \$5,000 to \$9,999 \$10,000 to \$24,999 \$25,000 to \$49,999 \$50,000 to \$99,999 \$100,000 to \$249,999 \$250,000 to \$49,999 \$250,000 to \$49,999 \$250,000 to \$499,999 \$250,000 to \$499,999 \$10 \$500,000 to \$999,999 \$11 \$1,000,000 or more					
9	In 2014, what percent of your total household income	e came from farming and/or ranching? (Check on	e only		
	1 None 2 □ 1% to 25% 3 □ 26% to 50% 4 □ 51% to 75% 5 □ 76% to 99% 6 □ 100%					
	SECTION	ON 8 - CONCLUSION				
		9911	9910	MM	DD	YY
	Respondent Name:	Phone:	Date:			

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	Office Use for POID							
9989								

5-R – Est 6-Inac – Est 7-Off Hold – Est	9-Oth	5-Web 6-e-mail 7-Fax 8-CAPI	R. Unit 9921	Optional Use 9907 9908 9906 9916				
S/E Name		19-Other						

Thank you for your time. Please return this questionnaire in the enclosed envelope.