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## Reports, Data, and Other Information Pertaining To Conflicts with Common Ravens

Common Raven (*Corvus corax*) populations have increased in the western United States and parts of Alaska since 1970, largely resulting from anthropogenic changes to the landscape, such as increased availability and access to food, water, and nesting substrates (also known as anthropogenic resource subsidies). Ravens sometimes prey upon and negatively affect imperiled species, such as the Mojave desert tortoise and greater sage-grouse. Their nests on power lines and associated infrastructure sometimes cause outages, with consequences to human health and safety. Additionally, ravens can cause damage to agriculture and ranching operations. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) recently developed the Species Conflict Framework (framework) to address conflicts with protected migratory bird species. Following the steps of the framework, the Service's Migratory Bird Leadership Team has determined that ravens are the source of conflicts affecting multiple resources in the western United States and that the process outlined in the framework should be applied to attempt to reduce the conflicts.

The Service is seeking information to assess the scope and scale of conflicts with ravens in the western United States along with, if applicable, any measures that have been taken to address the conflicts, including nonlethal and lethal approaches.

Specifically, we are looking for detailed information that describes any or all of these:

- Changes in Common Raven populations
- Conflicts with ravens, including:
  - what kind of negative impacts have been observed or experienced
  - quantification of negative impacts (such as economic impact, amount of damage, numbers of wild or domesticated animals depredated)
  - where and when the negative impacts occur(red) and any noticeable patterns
- Measures that have been taken to address conflicts, and, where available, how those measures were monitored for effectiveness and their results, including:
  - Nonlethal approaches (deterrents, modifications to infrastructure or other resources exploited by ravens)
  - Lethal approaches
  - Combination of nonlethal and lethal approaches
- How ravens are valued socially, culturally, and environmentally

To increase the likelihood that we can use the information you provide, please provide it in one of these formats, which are ordered from most to least desirable:

- Peer-reviewed and published literature
- Report(s)/gray literature
- Data (raw or summarized, with clear definitions of fields and their contents and the methods used to collect or compile the data)

Providing information is voluntary, and the information you provide will not be made publicly available. However, we may need to release the information if requested through formal government procedures. Provided information will not directly inform a management decision, nor is it connected or related to any current federal action.

If you have information you would like to contribute, please fill out the form below and click "Proceed."

If you have any questions or would like to talk to a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service staff person working on raven conflicts prior to providing information, please contact Jo\_Lutmerding@fws.gov (mailto:Jo\_Lutmerding@fws.gov).

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### Submission Type

Select one ▼

### What is the nature of your submission? (optional)

- Social
- Economic
- Biological

### Description / comment

### Attach a file or files (optional)

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Thank you for submitting this information. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will review the provided information and may contact you if we have any questions.