

California Department
of
Fish and Game

There are two important
resources in this issue:

Agriculture

Wildlife



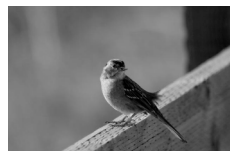
**We should not have to
destroy one
to protect the other.**

Concerns

- Super metrics
- Habitat destruction
- Loss of wildlife
 - Increased depredation permit requests
 - Poaching
 - Poisoning

Bringing Science into the Mix

- In cooperation with UC Davis and USDA
- 3 year study
- Native wildlife
- 3 county area
 - Monterey
 - San Benito
 - San Luis Obispo



Sampling

- 2,400 colon (fecal samples)
- Deer, pigs, elk, small mammals and birds
- Spread out across the watersheds within the 3 county area



Sampling

- Public lands (military, parks, DFG)
- Private property
 - Access throughout the study area
 - Confidential
- Agricultural community
- Hunters
- Conservation organizations

Needs

- DFG approval to hire
- More samples
- Access to lands
- More funding



What's next?

- Bring everyone to the table
 - Agriculture (growers and buyers)
 - Agencies
 - Conservation organizations
 - Public
- Based on science, determine what we need to do to protect our two resources

Our wildlife deserve nothing less

