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Good morning!

This past week, for the first time ever, the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the lethal removal of three wolves that showed persistent, brazen behavior by killing livestock in the presence of the operator and our staff. Wolves continue to present challenges in the Upper Peninsula, as we all know, and positive steps taken by the Service to directly resolve conflicts is a welcome development.

This week, we will be meeting with USDA Wildlife Services to plan CWD surveillance efforts for the coming year. As well, we will finalize plans for several stakeholder meetings to discuss what we accomplished in the first year of surveillance. CWD will continue to present a challenge that is likely to expand in scope. The deer resource is simply too important to our traditions to leave any stone unturned.

Yesterday, everyone received a message from Rex Ainslie and Mark Sargent regarding actor opportunities for the FOM positions that recently became available in the Northern Lower Peninsula and Southwest Lower Peninsula. I encourage you to consider these opportunities.

Until next week, "I give my pledge as an American to save and faithfully defend from waste the natural resources of my country: its air, soil and minerals; its forests, waters, and wildlife."

Yours in conservation,

Russ