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**Habitat Partnership Program**

**WHEREAS** the Colorado Division of Wildlife (DOW), in conjunction with the Colorado Cattlemen's Association, the Wool Growers, sportsmen, and public land management agencies, have developed the Habitat Partnership Program (HPP) to address conflicts between big game and livestock over rangeland forage and fence, and

**WHEREAS** the Habitat Partnership Program has been codified in state statutes by the Colorado General Assembly (C.R.S. 33-1-110), and

**WHEREAS** the DOW funds the HPP through the dedication of 5% of Colorado's big game license revenue which amounts to over \$1.5 million annually, and

**WHEREAS** funding allocations and other matters are decided upon in sub-regions around the state by local HPP committees which include at least three agricultural producers, and

**WHEREAS** HPP has a successful track record spanning more than 12 years, and has approved distribution management plans including special hunts intended to move big game off private property where they are creating problems, and

**WHEREAS** local HPP committees now exist in 14 sub-regions of the state;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CLUB 20 urges Western Slope agricultural producers and county governments concerned about the continuation of sustained agricultural production in their counties to be effectively involved in the Habitat Partnership Program, in order to ensure that HPP is properly addressing private property conflicts with big game and related matters.

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