Federal Collaborator
- USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services

State Collaborator
- Nevada Department of Agriculture
  Division of Animal Industry
7 U.S. Code § 8351
Predatory and other wild animals
(Formerly known as the The Animal Damage Control Act of March 2, 1931)

“The Secretary of Agriculture may conduct a program of wildlife services with respect to injurious animal species and take any action the Secretary considers necessary in conducting the program. The Secretary shall administer the program in a manner consistent with all of the wildlife services authorities in effect on the day before October 28, 2000.”

- Provides broad authority for the Wildlife Services program.
- The word “may” imply an authorization, not a mandate.
- The authority does not specify a regulatory function.
7 U.S. Code § 8352

Authorization of expenditures for the eradication and control of predatory and other wild animals

“The Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to make such expenditures for equipment, supplies, and materials, including the employment of persons and means in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, and to employ such means as may be necessary to execute the functions imposed upon him by section 8351 of this title.”

Provides authority to expend appropriated funds to deliver the Wildlife Services program.
“On and after December 22, 1987, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized, except for urban rodent control, to conduct activities and to enter into agreements with States, local jurisdictions, individuals, and public and private agencies, organizations, and institutions in the control of nuisance mammals and birds and those mammal and bird species that are reservoirs for zoonotic diseases, and to deposit any money collected under any such agreement into the appropriation accounts that incur the costs to be available immediately and to remain available until expended for Animal Damage Control activities.”

- Provides authority to enter into agreements with public and private entities to control nuisance wildlife, except urban rodent control.
- Provides authority to control wildlife that serve as reservoirs for zoonotic diseases. (i.e. Avian Influenza surveillance program)
Establishes the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC) which falls under the authority of the Nevada State Board of Agriculture.

Provides the authority and funding structure for NDA to cooperate with USDA-APHIS-Wildlife Services to deliver a cooperative agricultural resource protection program.

PARC program has the legislative responsibility of providing the citizens of Nevada with technical assistance and/or operational assistance to reduce and minimize damages and diseases caused or vectored by wildlife.
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