

A brown grizzly bear is the central focus, standing in a field of dense, green, low-lying shrubs. The bear is facing slightly to the left of the frame. The background is a soft-focus landscape of similar vegetation, creating a sense of a natural, wild habitat. The lighting is even, highlighting the texture of the bear's fur and the surrounding plants.

Grizzly Management Plan (Region 5)

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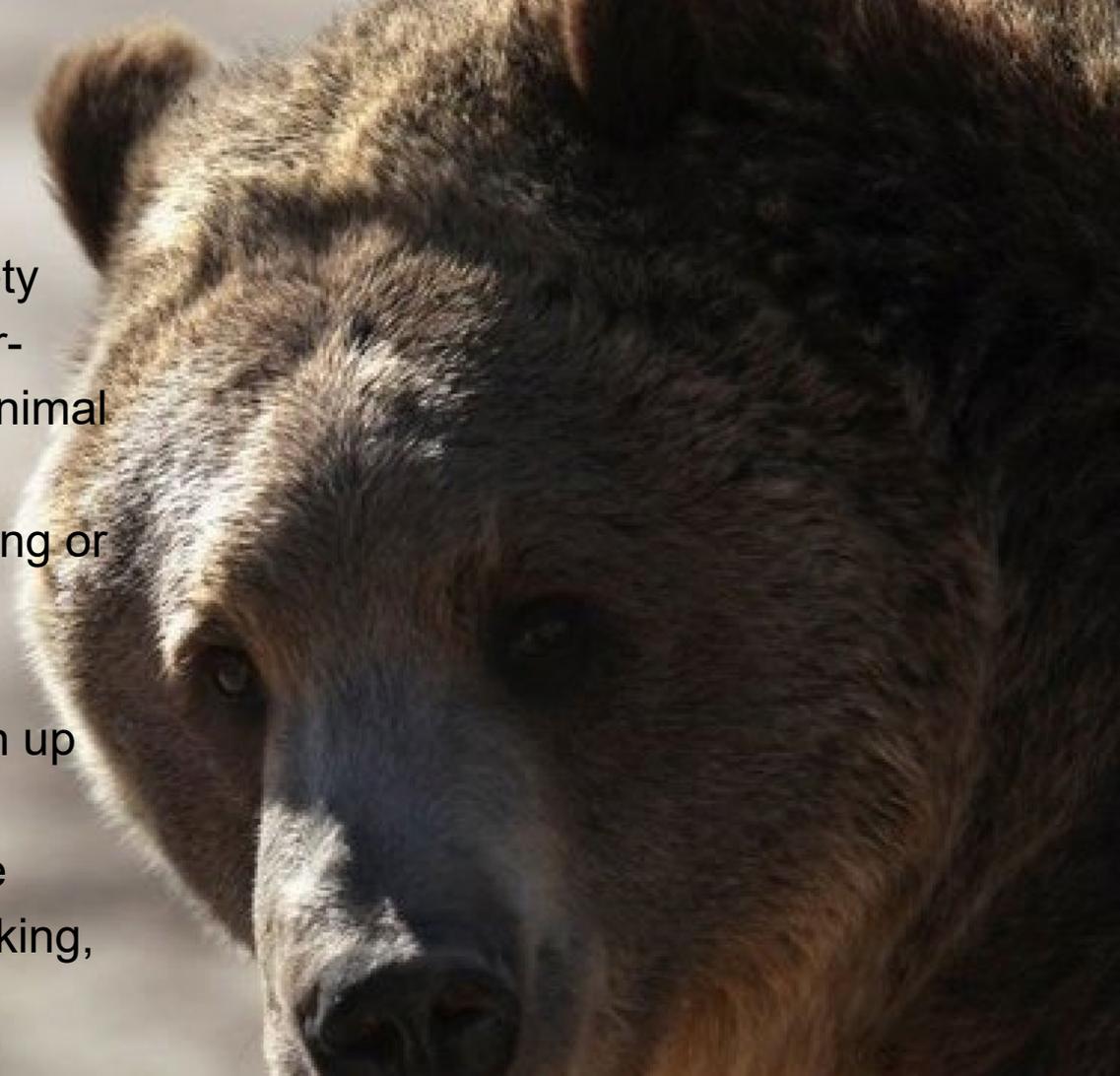
Main Problem

- Human caused mortalities
- Fear of Humans
- Livestock attacks/mortalities
- Going to residents to find food



Solutions

- Educate public about bear safety
- Secure food and garbage (bear-proof waste containers, keep animal food indoors)
- Protect cattle with electric fencing or guard dogs
- Install 100m buffer zones
- Remove bear attractants (clean up remains of dead cattle)
- Prevent surprising bears (make noise and look ahead during hiking, running and riding bikes)



Criteria

- Homeowners near bear areas need to show that they have taken the steps to prevent bear encounters
- Keeping records of the events that happen with bears
- Evidence of fewer or no livestock fatalities and property damage due to bears
- Higher use of things to prevent bears like guard dogs, electric fencing, garbage bins
- Less bear activity around residential areas
- Free travel ways and buffer zones for bears



Action Plan

- Teach people to live safely around bears
- Keep properties picked up and free of bear attractants
- Introduce guard dogs and electric fencing to keep the cattle safe and scare the bears away
- Provide bear-safe garbage bins
- Create travel ways and buffer zones for bears
- Work with other people to prevent interactions with bears

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