WHO DOES WHAT?

**COUNTY COUNCILS** carry the main responsibility for damage caused by wildlife in their counties. Questions regarding preventive hunting of predatory species, subsidies and compensation should be sent to them.

**THE WILDLIFE DAMAGE CENTRE** answers questions of a general and practical nature, as well as questions to county councils.

**EXAMPLES OF PROTECTED WILDLIFE**

BEARS, WOLVES, LYNX, SEALS, CRANES, BARNACLE GEESE, GRAYLAG GEESE, WHOOPER SWANS AND WOODPECKERS.

THE WILDLIFE DAMAGE CENTRE is situated at Grimsö Wildlife Research Station in Bergslagen, where the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences works with biological research, primarily wildlife-oriented environmental protection studies.

**CONTACT**

Please call us at the Wildlife Damage Centre. We answer questions about damage caused by wildlife and preventive measures. You can also take a look at the information on our home page www.viltskadecenter.com.
THE SWEDISH WILDLIFE DAMAGE CENTRE
is a service organisation for official authorities, organisations, private enterprise and the general public. The centre operates on behalf of the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency. The Swedish Wildlife Damage Centre provides services such as information on ways to prevent injuries to stock caused by protected predatory wildlife.

WHAT WE DO
• We provide information and practical advice, free-of-charge, by telephone or mail.
• We arrange and conduct special courses on demand, e.g. to educate inspectors of damage caused by wildlife.
• We assist the county councils in their coordination of damage prevention efforts.
• We make scientific studies on how and why damage is caused by wildlife, and develop methods to prevent damage.
• We evaluate results from studies made by scientists and different authorities.

NEW REGULATIONS
As of 1995, there are new regulations regarding reimbursement for damage caused by wildlife. The new rules apply only to damage caused by protected wildlife. The basic principle is that measures should be taken to prevent damage, primarily by hunting. Financial assistance is available for using other damage prevention measures in situations when hunting cannot be applied. It is possible to apply for compensation for damage caused by wildlife and which could not be prevented.

REPORT TO US
Has damage increased or decreased? By how much? How do the animals behave?
In the interests of our continued operations, we need to be informed about the results of our efforts. All relevant ideas, observations, and experiences are of interest. We are open to suggestions for our future work.