Wildlife enhances the beauty of Texas and is important for the state’s environmental and economic health. But wild animals and birds also cause millions of dollars in damage to Texas agriculture, natural resources, and property, and their activities can pose a threat to public health and safety.

Texas Wildlife Services uses research-based methods and education to protect Texas from wildlife damage and health hazards.

**ECONOMIC IMPACTS**

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Texas Wildlife Services provides broad benefits for the public, including natural resource conservation, protection of human health and safety, and reduction of economic losses.

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