

Wild Cervid Chronic Wasting Disease Management and Response Activities 2023 Cooperative Agreements

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USDA APHIS WS is awarding \$6,012,192 through Cooperative Agreements to eighteen State Departments of wildlife (totaling approximately \$3,085,808), sixteen universities (totaling approximately \$2,900,070) and one Tribal government (totaling approximately \$26,313). These projects will allow recipients to further develop and implement CWD management, response, and research activities in wild cervids, including surveillance and testing. Funded projects are listed below.

Wild Cervid CWD Management Projects		
Project Title	Entity	Funding Amount
Increasing CWD surveillance in Arizona by providing resources for direct hunter sample submission	Arizona Game and Fish Department	\$72,747.00
Arkansas Game and Fish Commission's 2023-2024 CWD White-tailed Deer Statewide Surveillance and Monitoring	Arkansas Game and Fish Commission	\$201,100.00
Arkansas Game and Fish Commission CWD Testing Awareness and Outreach Promotion	Arkansas Game and Fish Commission	\$70,000.00
Applying AFWA Best Management Practices for Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Surveillance and Sample Disposal in Louisiana: A State Recently Detecting CWD in Wild Cervids	Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries	\$182,479.00
Evidenced-based implementation of Chronic Wasting Disease educational programming and preventative strategies in Massachusetts	Massachusetts Division of Fisheries and Wildlife, MassWildlife	\$249,839.00
Utilizing Novel Genetic Resources to Evaluate Effectiveness of Culling to Manage CWD in Endemic Areas	Minnesota Department of Natural Resources	\$233,827.00
Does it Matter - Building a Web Application for Managers to Measure Impacts of CWD Control Strategies	Minnesota Department of Natural Resources	\$113,227.00
Environmental Surveillance for CWD: Improving Understanding of Natural Risk and Refining RT-QuIC Protocols	Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks	\$207,541.00
Fighting Fatigue: Increasing capacity to meet the demands of elevated CWD surveillance in North Carolina	North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission	\$232,232.00
Oregon Chronic Wasting Disease Prevention, Surveillance, and Management Program FY2023	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$248,730.00
Using Decision Science to Improve CWD Surveillance in Florida	The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC)	\$250,000.00

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Increasing chronic wasting disease sample size and quality among Utah's sportsmen and wildlife professionals	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources	\$101,013.00
Optimization of CWD Data Management, Surveillance, and Carcass Disposal Strategies in Virginia	Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources	\$221,413.00
Evaluation of CWD outreach and education to guide disease management in Washington State	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife	\$56,949.48
Comparison of two surveillance techniques for the efficient detection of CWD among free-ranging cervids in the eastern panhandle of West Virginia	West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Section	\$91,019.00
Deepening Partnerships, Expanding Access: Reducing CWD Transmission Risks by Supporting Proper Carcass Disposal	Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	\$200,000.00
Assessing risks associated with CWD-positive deer carcasses, scavenging, and carnivore movement within a CWD endemic area	Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources	\$213,334.00
Evaluation of composting CWD-positive Rocky Mountain elk (<i>Cervus canadensis nelsoni</i>) by detection of PrP CWD in composted environmental samples using real-time quaking-induced conversion (RT-QuIC)	Wyoming Game and Fish Department	\$140,358.00
State Agency Sub-TOTAL		\$3,085,808.48
Use of RT-QuIC for antemortem detection of CWD in blood and lymphoid tissue collected from free-ranging white-tailed deer and elk	Colorado State University	\$192,139.00
Pairing CWD Outreach to the Context: Social, Cultural, and Ecological Variability	Cornell University	\$160,443.00
Confinement of chronic wasting disease prions from infected carcasses after burial	Creighton University	\$250,000.00
Fecal metagenomic and metabolomic biomarkers as tools for Chronic Wasting Disease diagnostics and surveillance	Department of Biomedical Sciences, School of Veterinary Medicine, and Wildlife Futures Program, University of Pennsylvania	\$250,000.00
Growing community-based leadership in CWD response and management in Iowa	Iowa State University	\$150,933.00
Michigan CWD Core Area Outreach & Education	Michigan State University Extension	\$99,712.00

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Building regional capacity for CWD research and surveillance in the Southeastern United States	Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study (SCWDS)	\$185,373.00
Modeling the effects of wolf predation on risk of Chronic Wasting Disease in Deer in Wisconsin	The Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System (UW-Madison)	\$86,986.00
Quantification of soil clay components in northern Illinois to improve characterization of indirect CWD transmission risk and increase the efficacy of management efforts	The Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois	\$208,331.00
Monitoring Chronic Wasting Disease with Bio-Samples and Bio-Detectors	The Penn Vet Working Dog Center	\$249,924.00
Feral swine as spreaders of Chronic Wasting Disease prions	The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	\$249,799.00
Pathological investigation of white-tailed deer (<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>) in Pennsylvania's chronic wasting disease established area	University of Pennsylvania	\$92,030.00
Reproduction and Recruitment in a High Prevalence CWD Area in West Tennessee	University of Tennessee	\$249,975.00
Development of a new platform for rapid and sensitive detection of chronic wasting disease prion in live animal samples	University of Tennessee Institute of Agriculture	\$169,782.00
Enhancing Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Testing Capacity at the Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (WADDL) for CWD Surveillance in Washington State	Washington State University	\$197,864.00
Automated CWD IHC location and staining detection: Augmenting CWD surveillance capabilities through artificial intelligence-based image analysis	Washington State University – Washington Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (WSU-WADDL)	\$106,779.00
University Sub-TOTAL		\$2,900,070.00
Spokane Tribe Chronic Wasting Disease Outreach and Surveillance Project	Spokane Tribe of Indians - Wildlife Program	\$26,313.64
Tribal Government Sub-TOTAL		\$26,313.64
TOTAL		\$6,012,192.12