

# ELECTRIC FENCING

## PROTECTING LIVESTOCK & WILDLIFE

Chickens and other livestock, as well as feed and compost, are major wildlife attractants and can be a source of easy calories if left unsecured.

Sooner or later, most livestock operations will be raided by wildlife if they are not secure. Every year, Conservation Officers respond to calls from farmers who have negative encounters with bears, wolves, deer and other wildlife. These human-wildlife encounters often prove fatal to livestock and to wildlife. Education and prevention is the key to avoiding these costly encounters. Responsible livestock production includes taking responsibility to ensure that your activities do not contribute to attracting wildlife to your neighbourhood or property.

Electric fencing will help you protect your investments and wildlife at the same time. Perimeter fencing should be considered to enclose livestock, feed, compost, and other attractants in conjunction with electric fencing.

2016

52 human-bear conflicts reported in the Yukon.  
Many involved garbage, destroying property, and chicken coops.  
At least 10 bears were killed.

2015

49 human-bear conflicts reported in the Whitehorse District.  
Most involved garbage and chicken coops.  
5 bears were killed.

Many Yukon farmers have lost livestock and infrastructure to hungry wildlife. The cost of electric fencing is often lower than the cost of replacing these assets and saves farmers valuable time during the production season.

Electric fencing can be effective at keeping small and large predators out. Please refer to the local resources (at right) for more information about electric fencing.

- ✓ Safe
- ✓ Easy to Use
- ✓ Affordable

### Keep Livestock In



### Keep Wildlife Out

#### Local Resources

**The Feed Store/Pet Junction**  
867-633-4076

<http://www.thefeedstorewhitehorse.ca/>

**C&D Feeds**  
131 Copper Rd. Whitehorse 867-633-4620

**Margo Supplies Ltd.**  
403-652-1932  
[www.margosupplies.com](http://www.margosupplies.com) 1-888-652-1199  
(Electric fencing supplies and info)

**Yukon Government: Agriculture Branch of Energy, Mines & Resources**  
<http://www.emr.gov.yk.ca/agriculture/>  
867-667-5838

**Wildlife Damage Prevention & Compensation**

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867-667-5838  
[http://www.emr.gov.yk.ca/agriculture/wildlife\\_damage\\_prevention.html](http://www.emr.gov.yk.ca/agriculture/wildlife_damage_prevention.html)



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