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PREFACE

Incidences of urban and rural wildlife and human conflicts have rapidly moved to the forefront in the wildlife field in recent years. Workshops such as the Great Plains provide a regional forum for training and interaction between federal, state, county, and private sector professionals in this field. State-of-the-art techniques and skills are needed to address the increasingly complex array of problems we deal with.

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Traditionally, the Great Plains Wildlife Damage Control Workshop has been held under the auspices of the Great Plains Agricultural Council, Wildlife Committee. The original member states of Montana, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas formed the regional boundaries. It is evident from this year's participant list that this workshop serves a much larger constituency than the original member states. Although the Great Plains Agricultural Council was disbanded in 1995, we plan to continue this workshop biennially. Extension Wildlife Specialists in the original member states and peripheral states will continue to be the organizing force for workshops to come. The Thirteenth Great Plains Wildlife Damage Control Workshop will be hosted by Dale Rollins, Texas A&M University, in 1997. We look forward to seeing you there.

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