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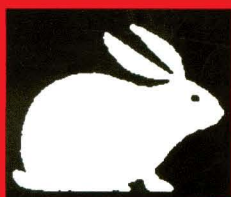
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*Editor's note*—The following statement from the Proceedings of the 3rd EWDC represents a succinct summary of the reasons behind convening the EWDC.

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Wildlife damage control is an increasingly important discipline within the profession of wildlife management. The discipline has been developing rapidly as a science and in complexity. There is a need to periodically bring research, extension, and agency personnel together to discuss recent advances in technology, problem definition, and policy. Through this type of interchange new and better damage control strategies are formulated, priority areas for research are identified, and new information is disseminated. The Eastern Wildlife Damage Control Conference continues to be a major means for improving communication within the discipline.

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