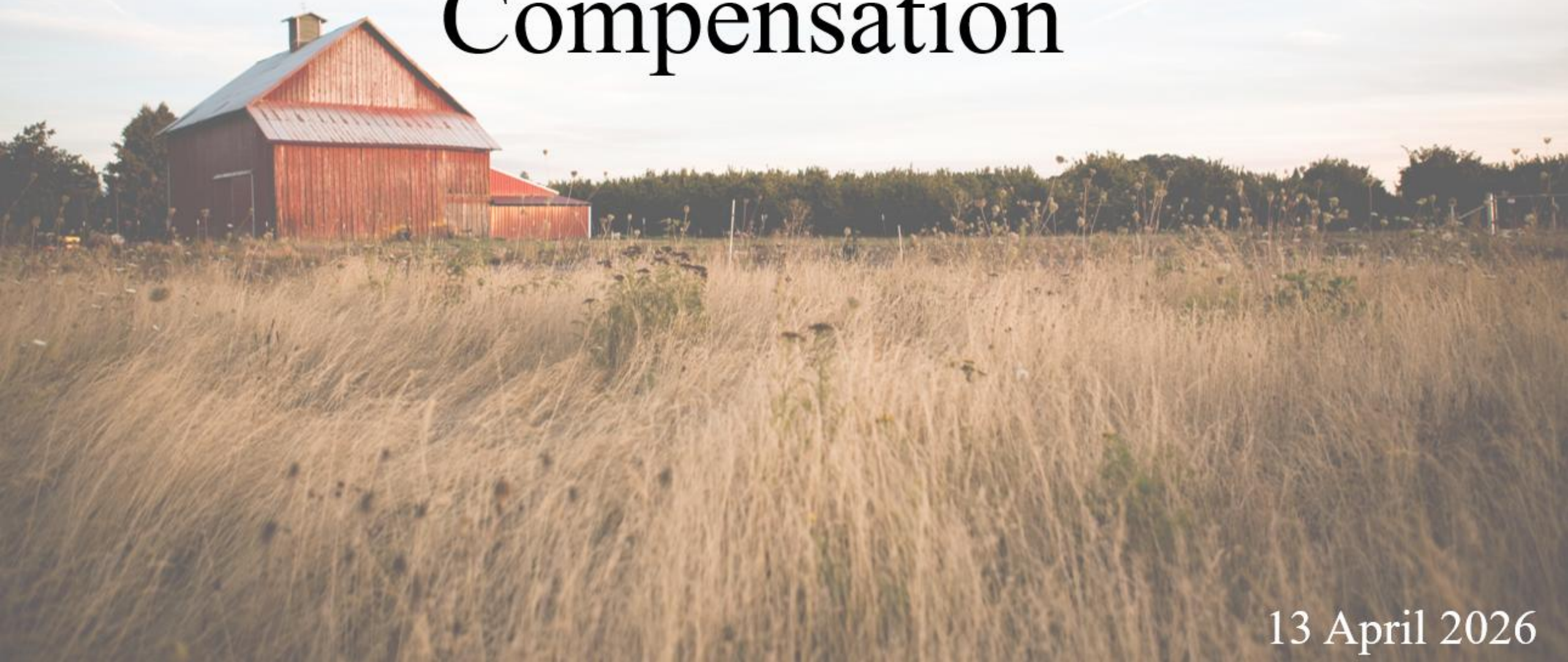


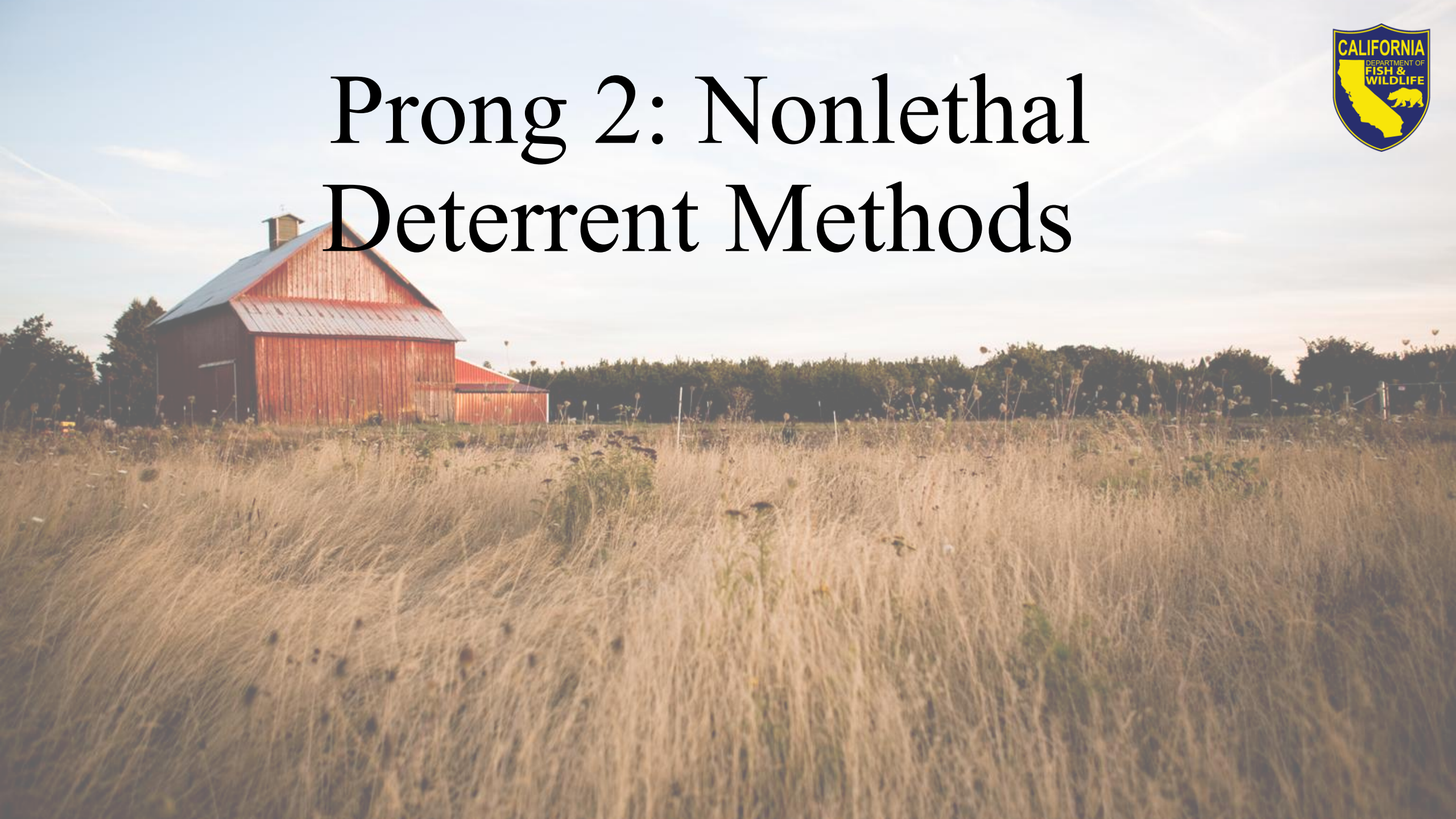


# Wolf-Livestock Compensation



13 April 2026

# Prong 2: Nonlethal Deterrent Methods



# Nonlethal Deterrents – Current Framework



Compensation for established or novel methods

- Up to 100% for each approved deterrent method
- Cost at time of purchase
- Other valuation process (Standard Rate, contracts)

Certain costs associated with Livestock Guardian Dogs

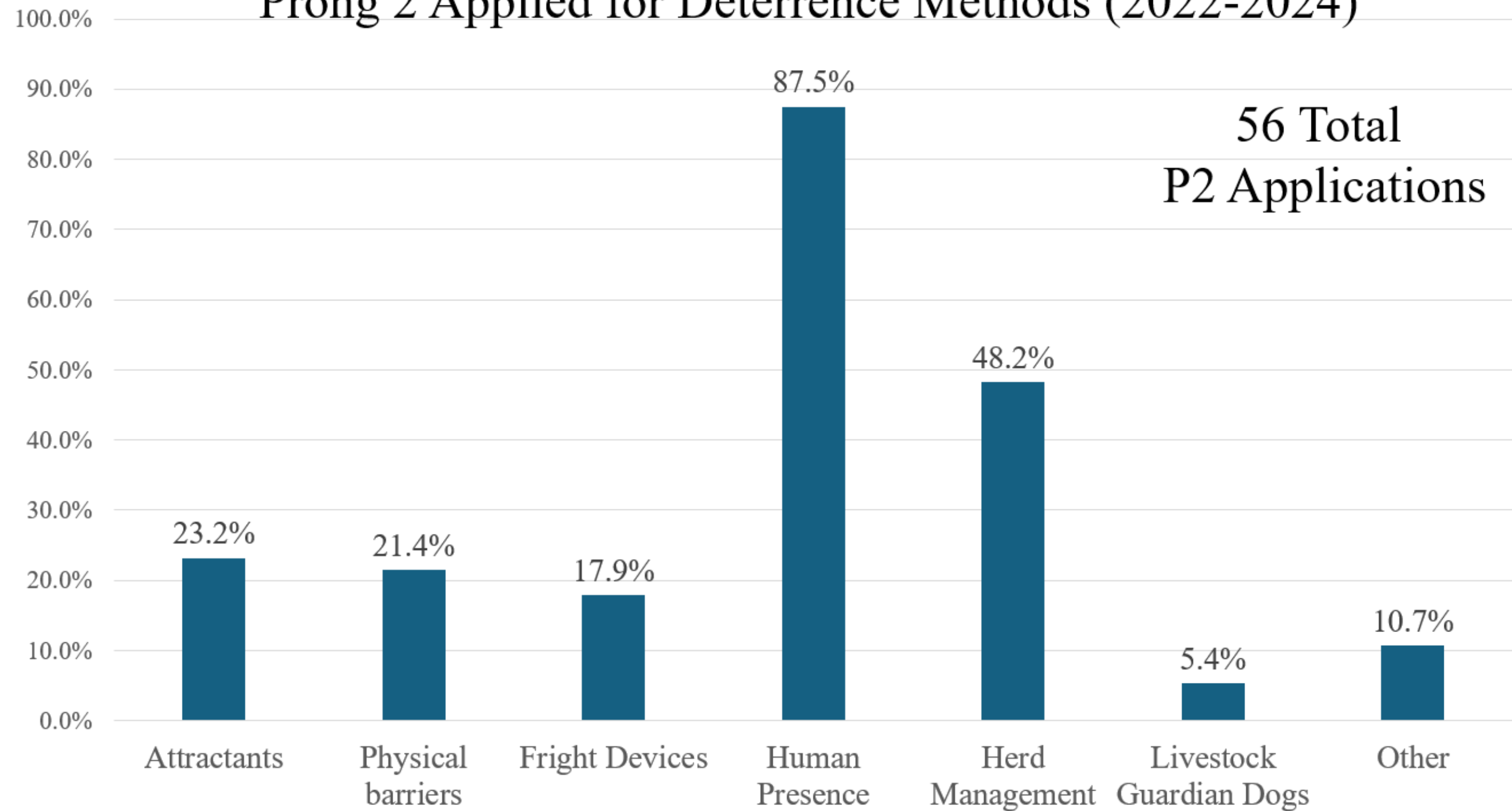
- Cost of replacement
- Veterinary costs for those injured or killed while protecting livestock

# Pilot P2 - Application Form



Deterrence Method	Brief Description	Technical Assistance (Y/N)
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Attractant Removal</b> - E.g., dead animal hauler - E.g., rendering plant		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Physical Barriers</b> - E.g., fladry, turbo fladry - E.g., electric fencing		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Fright Devices</b> - E.g., alarm system, foxlights - E.g., radio-activated guard box		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Human Presence / Monitoring</b> - E.g., range riders - E.g., H-2A guest worker, herder - E.g., field cameras		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Husbandry / Herd Management</b> - E.g., night penning - E.g., shed lambing - E.g., night feeding - E.g., pasture/ grazing rotation - E.g., change in calving season		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Livestock Guardian Animal</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Other Deterrent Techniques</b> - E.g., bellling livestock, 'i-cows'		

# Prong 2 Applied for Deterrence Methods (2022-2024)

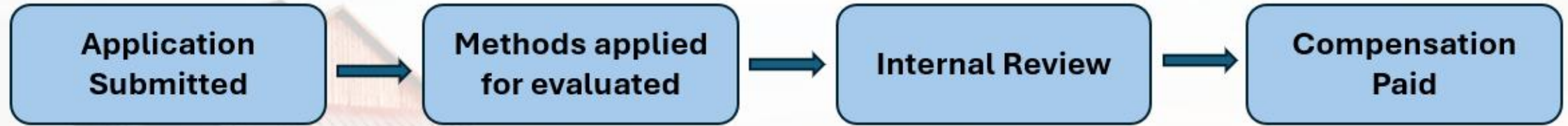


# Pilot P2 - Standard Rates



<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dollars</b>	<b>Per Unit</b>
<b>Grazing Allotment<sup>1</sup></b>	Loss of Pasture use (e.g., federal grazing fee)	\$22.80	ANIMAL UNIT MONTH (AUM)
<b>Vehicles<sup>2</sup></b>	Personal Vehicle Mileage	\$0.655	MILE
<b>All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV)<sup>3</sup></b>	ATV, 4WD, Engine 750cc	\$15.00	HOUR
<b>Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV)<sup>4</sup></b>	UTV, 4WD, Diesel / UTV, 4WD, Gas	\$242.54 / \$128.36	DAILY
<b>Owner/Manager<sup>5</sup></b>	Standard Charges (BLS Code 11-9013)	\$44.03	HOUR
<b>Ranch Hand/Rider<sup>5</sup></b>	Standard Charges (BLS Code 45-2093)	\$17.39	HOUR
<b>Horse</b>	Standard Rate (e.g., range riding)	\$56.00	DAY

# Pilot P2 - Process



- Compiled receipts, contracts, current qualifying actions

- Applicant purchased items for new tools/equipment

- Staff went through application: receipts, contracts, and other documentation

- Confirmed eligibility and validity of requested items/actions

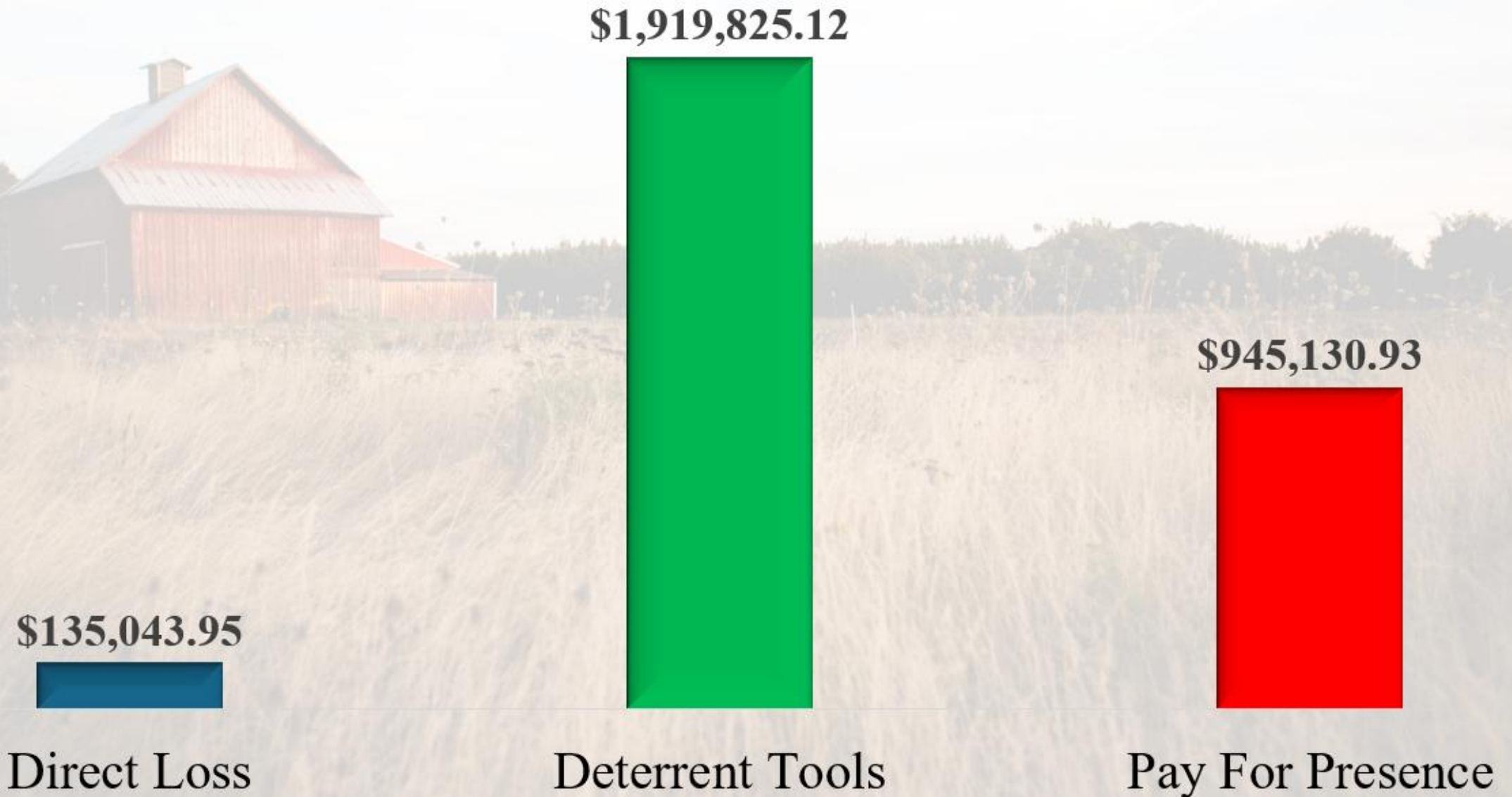
- Staff from HQ and regions reviewed amended application

- Collective agreement on each application to proceed or return for further evaluation

- Similar process as what was presented for Direct Loss

- Invoice creation & document processing were similar to Direct Loss

# Pilot Program: 2022-2024





# Pilot P2 – Internal Issues

- Resource strain
- Confirming use
- Contextualizing need and efficacy
  - Geographic restrictions
  - Subject expertise



# Nonlethal Deterrent – Topics of Discussion

1. Application window
2. Competitive grant or prong cap
3. Reimbursement vs. grant
4. Applicant match
5. Use reporting
6. Items/activities covered
7. Spatial eligibility





# NLD – Application Window

- Current Framework: None
- Reason to change – Better administration/accounting of funds
  - More concise application review period
- E.g., Idaho:
  - Applications open between November and February each year
  - Applications submitted outside that period are considered on a case-by-case basis, based on available funding



# NLD – Competitive Grant or Prong Cap?

- Current Framework: None
- Ranking or competitive system?

Pilot Program: 2022-2024

- *\*Average reimbursement: \$34,282.59*
- *\*Largest single grant: \$171,046.36*
- *\*Largest total for a single applicant: \$365,784.28 (2023)*



# NLD – Reimbursement vs Grant

- Current framework: Applicants are reimbursed for NLD expenses
- Reason to change:
  - Grant vs. reimbursement
  - Tailored specific operation



# NLD – Application Match

- Current Framework: None
- Reason to change: Increase reach of funds/applicant investment in program
  - Specific types of activities only
- E.g., Montana:
  - Livestock Loss Board covers 70%
  - Applicants must supply a 30% match (in-kind or cash)



# NLD – Use Reporting

- Current Framework: None
- Reason to change:
  - Quantify effort and efficacy of grant-funded activities
- Current limitation
  - CDFW resources
  - Partner and county resources
- E.g., Montana:
  - Grant recipients must provide a written report within 12 months of receiving compensation
  - Recipients who fail to provide the report will no be eligible to reapply for a period of 3 years



# NLD – Items/Activities Covered

- Current framework: Individual-focused application
- Potential change: Allow counties or communities to apply
  - Community-scaled activity or strategy examples:
    - Carcass removal program
    - Community-based range riders
    - Fencing response team
    - Multi-county position or projects



# NLD – Spatial Eligibility

- Current Framework: Open to anyone regardless of proximity to wolves
- Options:
  - Reimbursement/grant based on previous known conflict/depredations
  - Known pack areas vs new AWAs

*\*Important to promote proactive efforts in areas that don't have wolves yet*