## Wildlife

Coexisting with wildlife is one of the joys of living in Elk Meadows. Residents may not feed wildlife, including deer, turkey, elk, or bears. Feeding wildlife habituates them to humans which is never good for the wildlife, and draws in predators who can be dangerous to humans and pets.

In Elk Meadows, our greatest challenge is coexisting with bears. A habituated bear is a danger to you and your neighbors. To prevent this, keep all human food, pet food, livestock feed, and garbage in secured areas. It is also important to pick all ripe fruit from trees and any fruit on the ground daily to prevent bear problems.

For more information, please visit http://www.ninemilewildlife.org/how-to-keep-bears-out-of-your-yard.html.

If you have wildlife concerns, you should call 911 in an emergency or the Missoula office of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks @ 406-542-5508.