



MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

*Research and Technical Services
Animal Care and Use Committee*

PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Date:

Title of Proposal:

Principal Investigator:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone Number:

Email Address:

Source of Funding:

Proposed period for research:

**Any changes made to the project prior to date of completion must be reported to ACUC
within 14 days.*

1. Species

- a. Species to be studied
- b. Number, age and sex of animals involved in this study
- c. Potential for capture of non-target species Y N
 - i. Potential species
 - ii. Protocol for safe handling and release

2. Purpose of Study

- a. Description of purpose and justification for study
- b. Rationale for handling animals
- c. Relevance of project to human/animal health or biology

3. Study area and terrain description

4. Data use

- a. How will data collected be used to make decisions regarding management of this species in Montana?
- b. How will these decisions affect or benefit wildlife species and people?

5. Veterinarian Oversight

- a. DVM assigned to provide veterinary oversight for animal care, immobilization and handling.

6. Animal use procedures

- a. Sampling
 - i. Blood: Y N
 - ii. Urine: Y N
 - iii. Feces: Y N
 - iv. Other (please list):
 - v. Purpose of sampling?

- b. Administration of non-anesthetic drugs
 - i. Agents, dose, route

- c. Administration of anesthetics
 - i. Agents, dose, route
 - d. Administration of analgesics
 - i. Agents, dose, route
 - e. Controlled substance use
 - i. Safety protocols, storage security
 - f. Collection of tissues
 - i. Methods of collection
 - g. Restraint techniques
 - i. Method, duration
 - h. Procedures involving pain
 - i. Describe procedures
 - i. Post-restraint monitoring
 - i. Describe technique and duration of monitoring
- 7. Method of euthanasia**
- a. Method, agents, route of administration, disposition of carcass
- 8. Disposition of animal(s) (if not euthanized) after completion of study**
- 9. Alternative to live animal use**

Federal law requires that the principal investigator consider alternatives to procedures that may cause more than momentary slight pain or distress to animals covered by the Animal Welfare Act. Animals currently exempt from this are: birds and cold-blooded vertebrates.

- a. Do non-invasive or non-surgical alternatives to the proposed procedures exist? If yes, state why these alternatives are unacceptable.
- b. Has the study been designed to minimize the number of animals used while still providing scientifically valid results?

10. Personnel qualifications

- a. Attach resumes of relevant non-departmental personnel.

11. Relevant Training

- a. List details of training courses/seminars attended (animal restraint and handling, immobilization and immobilization drug use etc.)

Principal Investigator Assurance

The information contained on this form is an accurate description of the animal care and use protocol that will be followed in the course of this project. I agree to abide by state and federal regulations and ACUC policies concerning the use of animals. Veterinary care will be provided to animals showing any evidence of pain or illness.

If this project should be altered, revised, or procedures changed in any way, I agree to notify the ACUC of such changes. I understand that failure to report changes may place the Agency and the ACUC in violation of federal regulations.

Signature

Date