

Coyote hunt near Fallon this weekend

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A coyote-hunting tournament has been scheduled this weekend near Fallon to help protect ranch livestock, but critics say such hunts don't control coyote populations.

"I understand that there are some people that are upset about it," said Misty McFarlane of Fallon, who registers hunters for the event. "But they haven't ever faced a bill that must be paid because of these predators."

"We are ranchers, and many a time we have come upon a mother giving birth to their calf and coyotes have torn out their rectums and eyes and left them to die. The ranchers in Northern Nevada are completely overwhelmed with the coyotes."

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