

From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 9:14:57 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 8:46 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 29, 2015

South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Commission

South Dakota's mountain lions are wild icons who deserve far better protections for future generation. As an official managing South Dakota's greatest cat, I ask you to uphold your public trust duties to manage mountain lions for all.

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Denise Meyerink
Chamberlain SD

Sincerely,

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From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 24, 2015 8:21:49 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 23, 2015 4:45 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 23, 2015

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Friday, September 18, 2015 10:42:17 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 10:29 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 18, 2015

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Friday, September 18, 2015 7:54:32 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 5:00 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 17, 2015

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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Friday, September 18, 2015 7:52:31 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:58 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

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I have been concerned with this for awhile now. SD uses Mt. Lion in there tourist brochures in all forms and all places, yet they kill them on many occasions without cause. If you use them as an attraction to our most important industry, tourism, you should preserve them or quit using them as the lay person or non hunter will never have the opportunity to see them in the wild. The hunters use them as excuses (seen/heard by myself) by saying they affect the elk herd, yet in the same year you are forced to move a herd to Custer State Park due to landowner complaints-this makes no sense other than catering the Sportsman, who are not our greatest industry even though they also say they are the biggest contributors; this also is false. If they are all gone we all LOSE! GFP are also lacking as there are many times the lions are viable and can be relocated as has been done past years successfully; yet they are shot right away like the GFP are also trophy hunters. We must have people who want to protect our precious wildlife not destroy them. This is a problem nationally! Someday they will be all gone and this is what some people want; very sad! I have also witnessed a dead and very young cat, which to me is senseless. Also Mt. Lions are out at night and the "they will get your pet or toddler" makes no sense either. Watch/Lease your pet, keep cats indoors and who leaves a toddler out of their site-no good mother or caregiver. The excuses are growing old!

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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Friday, September 18, 2015 7:52:12 AM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Friday, September 18, 2015 1:28 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 4:06:00 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 3:57 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 3:34:47 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 3:27 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 3:09:15 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 2:31 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 1:31:06 PM

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Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 1:29 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
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Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 1:11:06 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 1:08 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 8:13:05 AM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 11:38 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:40:15 AM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 17, 2015 11:28 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 9:41:10 AM

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 9:01:55 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 4:56 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Thursday, September 17, 2015 9:01:27 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 5:26 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

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Sincerely,

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To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
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From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 8:11:40 AM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 10:03 PM
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Sep 28, 2015

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
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Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 4:54:11 PM

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
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Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 3:59:18 PM

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We live in their habitat, we need to adjust to that and not kill them.
We have a neighbor that shoots squirrels, skunks, and fox, this is so wrong!

Sincerely,

Mrs. mary bowers
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 3:31:05 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 3:25 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 8:10:08 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Monday, September 28, 2015 8:33 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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Sep 28, 2015

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Sincerely,

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sara.parker@perceptivemedia.net

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 3:30:51 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
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Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 3:18:20 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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Sincerely,

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mustlovedogs03@yahoo.com

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To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 3:18:11 PM

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Mr. Josh hopper
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:42:26 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:23 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

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Sincerely,

Ms. D Madsen
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Milbank, SD 57252-6212
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diannavbg@hotmail.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:42:13 PM

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Ms. Margaret Dixon
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Mobridge, SD 57601-2518
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:41:59 PM

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Mrs. Roberta Rotherham
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Sioux Falls, SD 57106-3329
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dmrdrotherham@yahoo.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:40:18 PM

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Ms. Elaine Dodson
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Spearfish, SD 57783-9463
lainied@rushmore.com

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Mrs. Ruth Steil
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Yankton, SD 57078-1818
rsteil@midco.net

From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Monday, September 28, 2015 8:41:39 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Saturday, September 26, 2015 10:27 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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PLEASE stop giving in to the uninformed and ignorant ranchers and the selfish (there is no other word) "sport" hunters. The wildlife belongs to all the citizens and it is past time when the majority opinion is heeded.

Sincerely,

Mr. David and Judy Love
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Custer, SD 57730-9139
(605) 673-3824
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:10:15 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:06 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
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kerma.cox@hotmail.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:09:55 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:01 PM
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Miss Vanessa Carlson
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:09:31 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 2:07 PM
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michelle.teets@gmail.com

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Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
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Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 1:01 PM
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Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 16, 2015

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Sincerely,

Miss Leslie Ranum
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ranum4@msn.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 1:01:57 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:37 PM
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Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 1:01:40 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:36:40 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:34 PM
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Sincerely,

Ms. Sherry Horton
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:26:07 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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Sincerely,

Dr. Sheila Martin
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missusmoose@lonetree.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:25:52 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 11:30 AM
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Sincerely,

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From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Monday, September 28, 2015 8:41:01 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Saturday, September 26, 2015 3:56 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 26, 2015

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:25:31 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 11:31 AM
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To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:25:04 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 11:32 AM
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Ms. Cathy Merrill
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Brookings, SD 57006-3881
smillnace@yahoo.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:24:52 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 11:33 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:24:28 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 11:36 AM
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Ms. Melissa Johnson
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Sioux Falls, SD 57108-5929
mjohnson@stencilhomes.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:24:19 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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Sincerely,

Ms. Beverly Hyland
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bevhyland@live.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:23:30 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:01 PM
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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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Ms. Kim Tysdal
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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion populationz
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:23:03 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
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664241716
cesarlopez1778@live.com

From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:22:50 PM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:18 PM
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From: [Miller, LouAnn](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Friday, September 25, 2015 8:25:42 AM

-----Original Message-----

From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Thursday, September 24, 2015 4:24 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 24, 2015

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Sincerely,

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:22:32 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:18 PM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 16, 2015

South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Commission

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From: [Cary, Joe](#)
To: [Comes, Rachel](#)
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:19:02 PM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 16, 2015 12:08 PM
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From: Miller, LouAnn
To: Comes, Rachel
Subject: FW: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population
Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 10:06:26 AM

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From: The Humane Society of the United States [<mailto:humanesociety@hsus.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, September 29, 2015 9:46 AM
To: GFP Wild Info
Subject: Conserve South Dakota's fragile mountain lion population

Sep 29, 2015

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