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Mr. Lloyd

Herewith is correspondence from the Superintendent of Jasper National Park which may answer the Director's request for information regarding predators in that park.

Apparently the numbers have not changed much since I was there. In such a case, Coyotes concentrate in winter in the Athabaska Valley as they always have done, regardless of whether or not the wardens interfere with them. Wolves are evidently operating more in the Athabaska Valley. Cougars are still scarce.

We should have the Superintendent report in full on the effects of the measures taken which are based on my findings and in particular to give information as to whether or not the wolves have affected elk concentrations, and whether or not the range conditions in the lower Athabaska Valley are improving.

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