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Comments: Seems to me this whole "issue" would be a lot simpler AND less expensive (re:taxpayers) if the grazing allotments were closed. Then there would be no reason to slaughter wild predators, the Bighorns wouldnt be catching this disease from sheep AND there would be no need to bring in Bighorns from other areas. But I guess the Forest Service doesnt look at it that way?

The damage domestic sheep do to any allotment also does damage to the wildlife that lives there - on top of spreading disease in the bands of wild Bighorns.

Why is this so difficult to understand?

Managing & caring for wildlife & their habitat far outweighs the benefits to livestock producers.