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WildSafeBC Program for the City of Quesnel

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BCCF and WildSafeBC Overview

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2019 WildSafeBC Community Program

-  23 Programs in more than 130 communities
-  Door-to-door contacts of 6,900+
-  Booth contacts of 23,600+
-  WildSafe Ranger presentations to 9,200+ students
-  Public presentations and workshops to over 4,400 attendees
-  Over 3,100 residents received a sticker on their garbage put the night out before collection



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WildSafeBC Programs and Results in the Cariboo Regional District 2020

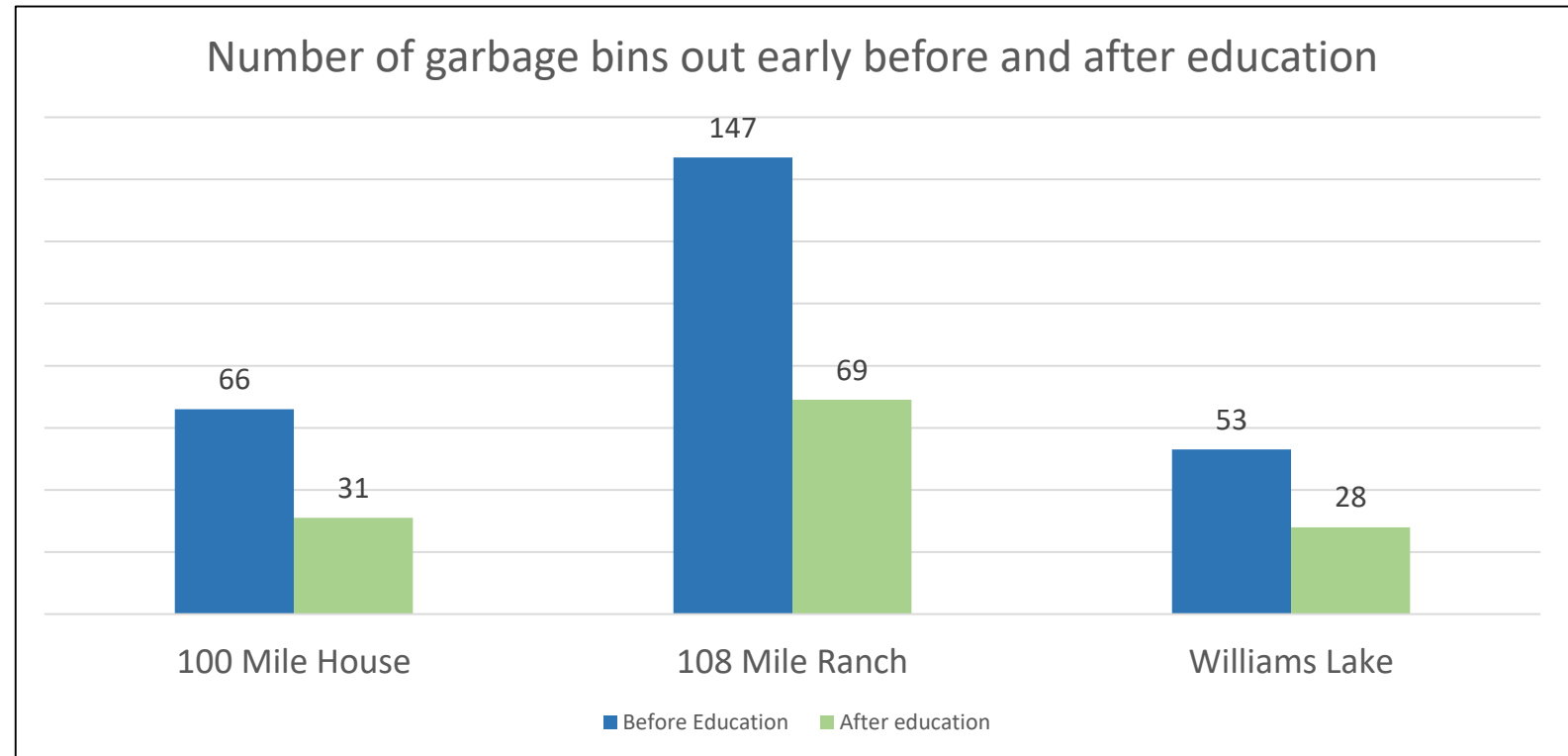
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WildSafeBC in the CRD

- 🐾 The Cariboo Regional District is one of the funders
- 🐾 2019 was the first year where some WildSafeBC programs were introduced to the CRD
- 🐾 2020 WildSafeBC are fully run by BCCF
- 🐾 The programs were delivered in Williams Lake, 108 Mile Ranch, 100 Mile House and the CRD part of Quesnel

Garbage Bin Tagging



Community Programs in 2020



962 door hangers
left at residences



6 display booths
344 people reached



16 classes Grade 1 to 6
360 students reached

Other Initiatives

- 🐾 Community Group Presentations
- 🐾 WildSafeBC Bare Campsite Program
- 🐾 WildSafe Business Pledge
- 🐾 Bear Spray and Electric Fencing Workshops
- 🐾 BC Goes Wild Event
- 🐾 Photo and Colouring Contest

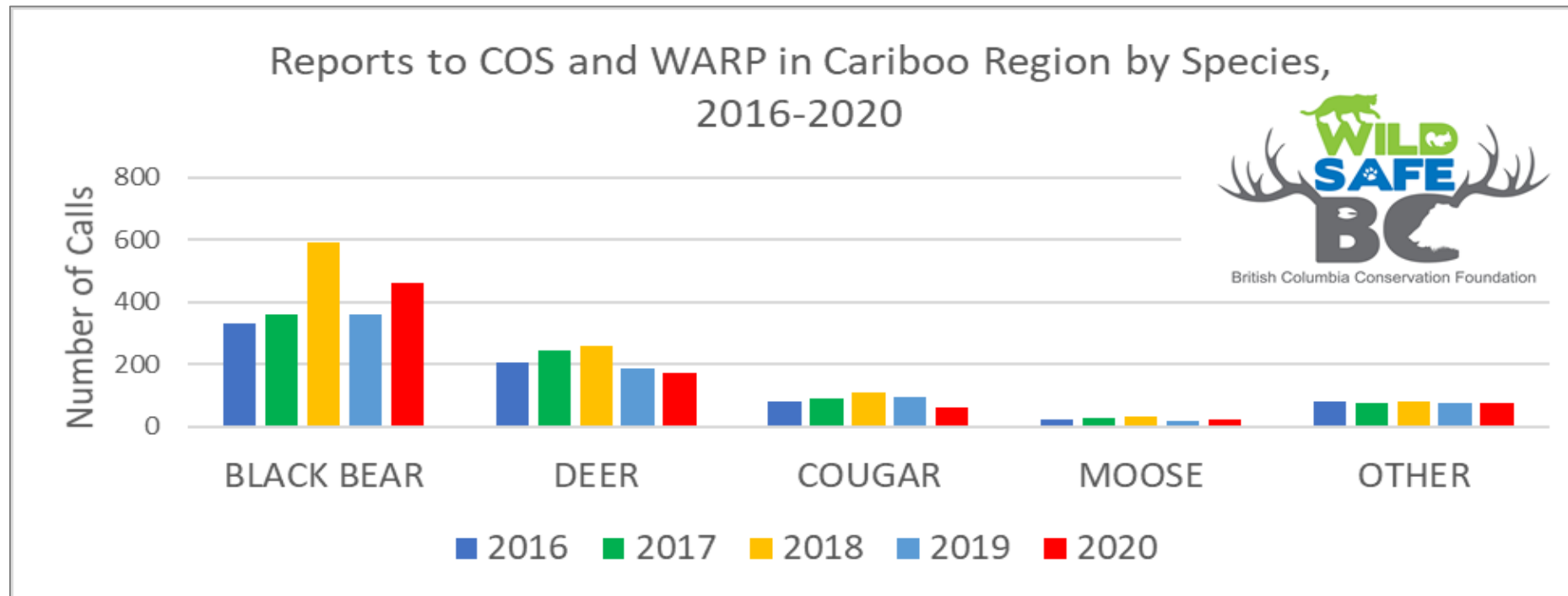
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Report of Species in the Cariboo

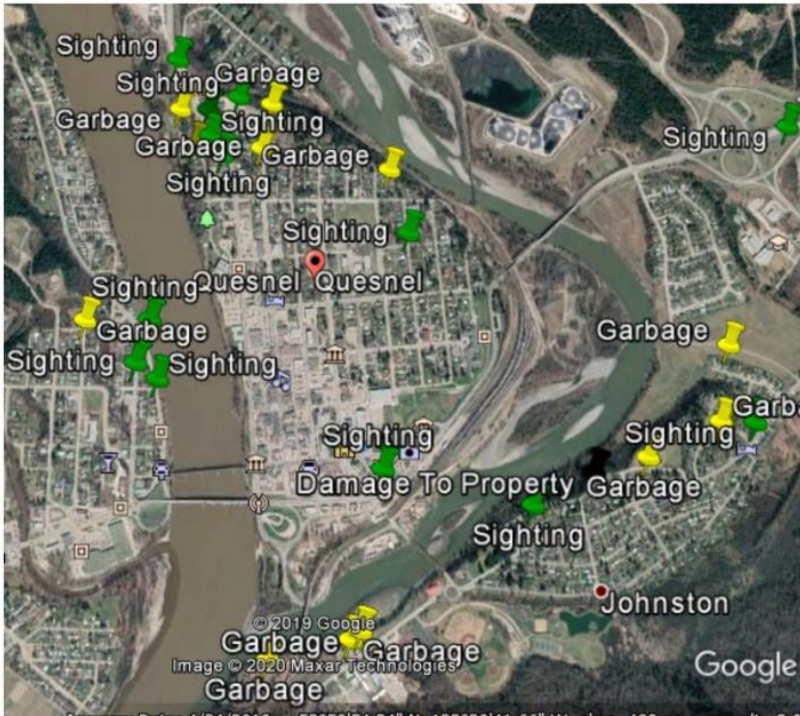


Source: Reports to COS and WARP in Cariboo region by species from January 1, 2016 to September 30, 2020.

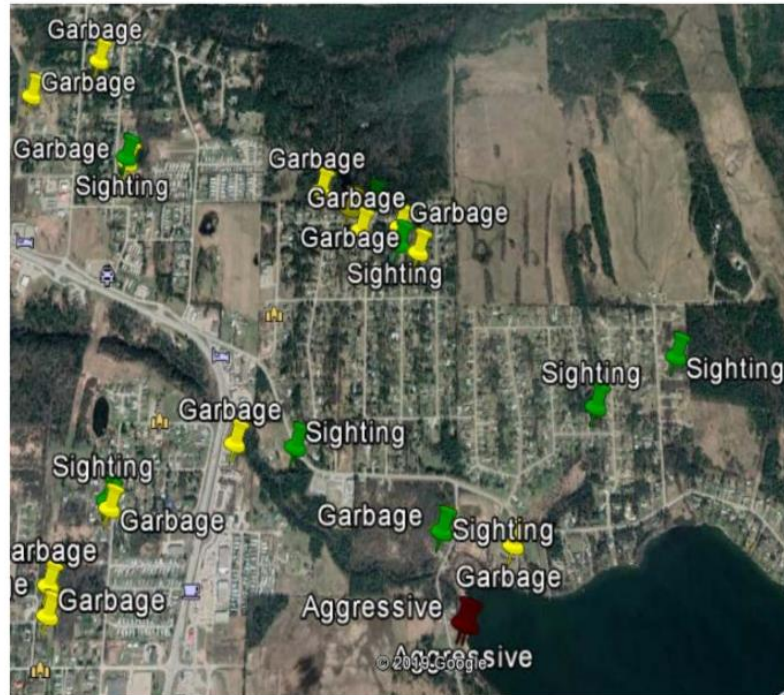
Wildlife Conflict Update

- 🐾 Increasing number of calls regarding human- wildlife conflicts
- 🐾 518 reports received between spring and October 28, 2020
 - 🐾 On average 300 calls per year
 - 🐾 Majority of calls for bears accessing non-natural food sources
- 🐾 Spikes in conflict: Late April to May and late August to October
- 🐾 A food- conditioned or human- habituated bear can present a heightened risk to public safety

Black Bear Activity in the City of Quesnel 2019



Downtown



West Side



South Hills

Source: CO Chris Ford

WildSafeBC can Help Prevent Human-Wildlife Conflict in the City of Quesnel

- 🐾 WildSafeBC supports communities in reducing conflict to keep wildlife wild and communities safe
- 🐾 If the City of Quesnel was in favor of partnering with the CRD for the 2021 season, the WildsafeBC Cariboo Coordinator would be able to dedicate hours specifically to Quesnel

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