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My wife and I live in Shoreham. We are life long Vermonters. Where we are is coyote hounding central. In the winter months we are surrounded by hounders Sat. and Sun. from sun up till sun down. Coyote hunters use public roads for there personal hunting grounds. As they line the roads with trucks in anticipation of hounds running coyotes there way they almost never have to leave there truck. Then the road hunting begins with trucks driving around and around with a long gun by there side again in anticipation of being able to to get a shot at a coyote.

What I witness I believe is animal cruelty, dog on dog legalized dog fighting. Vermont fish and Wildlife could not have made it any easier to slaughter coyotes and put homeowners in the middle of war on coyotes. It puts homeowners against a large group of people with guns by there side. It puts children and pets in danger of hounds and coyotes in there yards.

As I speak out against this form of hunting I have had trucks at the end of our driveway staring at my house with there gun on the seat beside them yelling out it does not look like my land is legally posted. My wife and I have had trucks go far left of center in attempt to run us off the road. A local pilot used his airplane for low altitude high speed fly buys over our house. Fish and Wildlife recommendation gives these same people permission to have guns and dogs run free out of site of there handler all for sport killing. I am asking you to make my home and my yard safe in the winter months. Again Fish and Wildlife recommendation fall short of that.

Thank you for my time.

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