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We continue to refuse to visit Nevada and give any support to that state (even though we have relatives there) who are horrified and the barbaric killing contests. Even hunters are against this. This is cruel sick revolting and anything but humane.

AND it increases coyotes numbers . Will quote scientists on this below

Yes, killing coyotes, especially indiscriminately, typically **increases their reproduction rates and population**, a phenomenon known as compensatory response, where removing individuals triggers younger coyotes to breed earlier, have larger litters, and leads to higher pup survival due to less competition, allowing populations to bounce back quickly or even grow, making lethal control counterproductive for population reduction.

How it works:

- **Disrupts Social Structure:** Coyotes live in family groups with a dominant breeding pair; other females often remain behaviorally sterile. Killing the alpha pair or other members breaks this structure, allowing more females to breed.
- **Increases Litter Size & Survival:** With less competition for food and resources, females can produce larger litters, and more pups survive to adulthood.
- **Triggers "Compensatory Reproduction":** When populations decrease, remaining coyotes find more food, improving nutrition for breeding females and increasing egg production, leading to bigger litters and more young surviving.
- **Territory Vacancies Filled:** Removing coyotes from a territory often results in other coyotes quickly moving in from surrounding areas, filling the void and maintaining or increasing the overall population.

The Result:

Instead of reducing numbers, lethal removal can lead to a cycle of more coyotes, more breeding pairs, and increased human-coyote conflicts, as inexperienced young coyotes may seek easier food sources like pets or livestock.

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