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Measure 18 already allows state and federal wildlife agents to hound cougars in the advent of threats to property or public safety and to carry out state wildlife management objectives. This exemption has been successful in removing individual cougars involved in conflicts with humans, pets, and livestock while retaining the protections the voters want from abusive hunting methods. In 1994, Oregon voters passed Measure 18. For 30 years, it has protected cougars and bears from the cruel, abusive and unsporting practises of baiting and hounding. In 1996, Oregonians decisively protected Measure 18 by an even larger margin.