

## on-farm food safety team

## **Wildlife Risk Assessment**

A wildlife risk assessment should be completed annually and updated when problems are noticed or responses to issues change. Consider the animals that you typically see in the farm environment, the timing of their presence, the specific areas that the animals tend to frequent, what risks they pose to produce, your current risk prevention practices, and future practices that could be implemented. Use the front of this page to conduct your risk assessment, use the backside of this page to track implemented corrective actions and short and long term plans. Written records are helpful to track issues and develop short and long term management plans. \*The FSMA Produce Safety Rule does not require written records regarding wildlife risk assessments and corrective actions.

Risk assessment conducted by:	
Date of assessment:	

Wildlife	Time of Year	Location	Produce Risk	Current Practices	Future Practices
Groundhog	Spring through fall	North and west fields	Crop consumption, fecal contamination	None	Trapping

## Wildlife Corrective Actions

Use this form to track the responses made to animal intrusions and fecal matter. The Rutgers On-Farm Food Safety website www.onfarmfoodsafety.rutgers.edu is one source of information for wildlife management.

Date	Location	Issue	Corrective action
07/01/2023	North field	Groundhogs burrowing into field perimeter. Feeding damage, fecal matter	Live trapping as step one, will revisit if traps are not effective