


Summer Camp Beavers Moyer Pest Control



Moyer Indoor|Outdoor is a family-owned company founded in 1869. Today Moyer has nine service divisions, including Moyer Pest Control for residential and commercial customers. Moyer Pest Control serves Southeastern Pennsylvania and portions of New Jersey and Delaware.

The Situation

A summer camp in Pennsylvania contacted Moyer Pest Control to remove several beavers that had become a nuisance. In Pennsylvania, Beavers are considered wildlife, not pests, and Moyer Pest Control has the required license to remove nuisance wildlife and was able to help. With the summer camp located 45 minutes from Moyer's office, considerable time was spent making the trip to and from the summer camp and checking the cages only to find them empty. Moyer chose the Skyhawk Kiwi to complete the job more efficiently by reducing drive time and ensuring that a capture occurred before sending out the licensed technician.

Plan of Action

For this control method, Moyer chose the Comstock live cage. These cages do not rely on a trip pan but rather have wires in the middle of the cage that, when engaged, trigger the door to close. One cage was set on a clear trail and one in a shallow feeder stream that the beavers traveled. Due to the nature of the beavers, Moyer did not use bait since the travel paths were easily identified. Skyhawk Kiwi remote sensors were installed on each cage so Moyer's office would be alerted that a capture had occurred, avoiding unnecessary travel and cage checks.



Results

The day after the cages were installed, the Kiwi activated an alert with 100% certainty of capture. The cages were checked, and one beaver was caught and safely released at a pre-approved site. After a day of no captures, a second beaver was caught and released. Following that, the cages were left in place for three consecutive days with no further captures, so this nuisance wildlife job was now complete.

If a wildlife trap is tripped, but no animal is captured, you receive one alert from the Kiwi. When an animal remains in the trap, the Skyhawk Kiwi will continue to send alerts that clearly indicate a capture. The pause feature on the Kiwi allows the alert to be paused until you arrive on site. Kiwi was the perfect nuisance wildlife trap monitor to make the process more efficient for Moyer and unintrusive to the customer.

Results by the Numbers



40%

increase in profits



42%

decrease in visits