

Bear Wise – Survey Results of 21 Communities (conducted winter of 2015-2016)

Table 1. North American communities with Bear Wise ordinances that require trash be secured to reduce human-bear conflicts.

Locale	State/ Province	Type	Ordinance Year	Number of households	Specific equipment required	Who pays for bear-resistant equipment	Did ordinance reduce conflicts?
Banff	Alberta	City	1999	2,565	Yes, commercially manufactured dumpsters	Residents, municipality and waste management share costs	Yes
Boulder	Colorado	City	2014	12,000	Yes, commercially manufactured residential cans and dumpsters	Residents	Undecided
Canmore	Alberta	Town	2001	5,176	No	Residents	Yes
Cordillera	Colorado	HOA	2002	602	No	Dues from HOA pays for bear- resistant containers	Yes
Crowsnest Pass	Alberta	City	2007	2,586	No	Residents and Businesses	Yes
Eagle	Colorado	County	2007	19,236	No	Residents and Businesses	Yes
Gatlinburg	Tennessee	City	1998	1,681	No	Residents and Municipality	Yes
Hemlock Farms	Pennsylvania	HOA	2001	3,200	Yes	Dues from HOA pays for bear- resistant containers	Yes
Hurlburt Air Field	Florida	Military	2010	3,473	Yes, commercially manufactured residential cans and dumpsters	Military	Yes
Juneau	Alaska	City	1987	12,187	No	Residents and Businesses	Yes

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Madera	California	County	1995	43,317	No	Residents	Yes
Missoula	Montana	County	2009	45,926	No	Residents and Businesses	Yes
Pitkin	Colorado	County	2000	8,152	No	Rebate offered initially, then \$50 of fine goes toward purchase of bear-resistant trashcan	Yes
Placer	California	County	2001	132,627	No	Municipality provides loans to residents	Yes
Sitka	Alaska	City	2008	3,545	No	Residents and Businesses	No*
Snowmass Village	Colorado	Town	1999	1,327	No	Residents pay for bear-resistant equipment, municipality pays for service	Yes
Steamboat Springs	Colorado	City	2001	5,201	No	Residents and Businesses	Undecided
Teton	Wyoming	County	2008	5,000	No	Residents and Businesses	Yes
Vail	Colorado	City	2007	2,604	No	Residents and Businesses	Yes
West Yellowstone	Montana	Town	2000	617	No	Residents	Yes
Wingfield North	Florida	HOA	2014	115	Yes, commercially manufactured residential cans	Dues from HOA pays for bear- resistant containers	Yes

* Residents and businesses were already securing trash before the ordinance, so there was not much of a difference after the ordinance.