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There are not enough people predator hunting/ coyote hunting to control the population as it is. Less and less people are hunting coyotes and the population is growing we need to expand coyote hunting not reduce it. I grew up on cliff island in Casco bay, we never had coyotes on the island after years of not living on the island and being out there for a week last summer I was informed that they now have a small pack on the island and that people's cats have started going missing, next it will be small dogs and when food supplies dry up they will eventually try to grab a young child, coyotes are extremely bold hunters and become used to people. The island shows what will happen if the population outgrows its food sources. When there are coyotes in Portland and not the outskirts inner city the population is growing, hunting is the only way that we have to control the population and try to keep it in check.