Advertisement:

KAHN CATTLE COMPANY, ROGER KAHN AND GLEN M. (MIKE) BRAMLETT APOLOGIZE FOR POISONING BIRDS

Kahn Cattle Company, LLC was caught using poisoned corn to control the number of Canada geese on its property by law enforcement officers from the Georgia Department of Natural Resources. Subsequently, Kahn Cattle Company was investigated by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Criminal Investigation Division. The Kahn Cattle Company's actions caused the deaths of at least 3300 migratory birds, including Canada geese, a great horned owl, red tailed hawks, mourning doves, cardinals, blue jays, and a number of other bird species. Kahn Cattle Company, LLC pled guilty in United States District Court in Rome, GA, to one felony count of violating the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) for illegally disposing of famphur, the poison added to the corn which killed the birds, and paid a fine of \$170,000. In addition, Roger Kahn, owner of Kahn Cattle Company, LLC, and Glen Bramlett, employee, each pled guilty in United States District Court in Rome, Georgia to a misdemeanor violation of the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Kahn and Bramlett were each sentenced to 60 days home confinement, 1 year probation, ordered to pay a \$15,000 fine, and to perform 160 hours of community service.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency lists famphur as an acute hazardous waste because of its toxicity and regulates its disposal. It is illegal to use Warbex, famphur or any other chemical or pesticide to kill birds, wildlife, or any animal in violation of labeling requirements. In addition to the \$170,000 fine, Kahn Cattle Company, LLC was required to pay restitution of \$97,284 for the removal of the poisoned corn and the value of the birds killed. We apologize for these actions and strongly urge any farmer or landowner to use only legal means to solve problems with nuisance or unwanted animals on their property.

- Kahn Cattle Company, LLC
- Roger F. Kahn
- Glen M. (Mike) Bramlett

Placed by Kahn Cattle Company, LLC, Roger F. Kahn and Glen M. (Mike) Bramlett in compliance with a sentence imposed by United States District Court Judge Harold Murphy in <u>United States v. Roger F. Kahn</u>, CR 05-.