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OF COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS IN
FREE-RANGING WILD UNGULATES

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Due to severe complications following major surgery of the principal investigator in the spring of 1976, the planned research program had to be curtailed.

The principal investigator, Margaret Altmann and the research associate, Betty Erickson, were at work and in residence at Moran from June 30 to September 7, 1976. Observations and collection of data were carried out during the whole period, but research evaluation will not be attempted at this date but will be included in a future report.

It is planned to continue the long-range study of the Communication Systems in Free-Ranging Wild Ungulates in the 1977 season.

A pilot study on the impact of roadside fencing on big game migration and distribution patterns which was also started during 1976 will be included in the plan for research in 1977.