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Case Study 3

Sun Pest Management in Walla Walla, WA

Site Description

Together with agriculture, Walla Walla also has a history of pigeons, especially in the downtown shopping area. Birds, and what they leave behind, represented a perennial problem for shoppers and merchants.

The Problem

The original population was estimated at approximately 120 pigeons. A variety of abatement measures were installed over the years, but none had any lasting effects. Small towns generally have well defined and discreet flocks that are easily targeted with an OvoControl baiting program.

The Solution

Introduced and managed by Sun Pest Management in Walla Walla, two OvoControl automatic feeders were installed on the Main Street buildings, in the heart of the shopping district. Subsequently, an additional feeder was added at the nearby Whitman College campus.

The Results

Within two seasons, the pigeon population was down to a fraction of the starting point. According to Russ Craber, Sun Pest's CEO, "it was as if someone flipped a switch and turned the birds off. Using the product enables me to stay ahead of the pigeons, enabling the success of the program overall."



◀ Downtown Walla Walla represents an ideal habitat for pigeons.

▶ Pigeons gather at perching locations, representing an ongoing maintenance challenge.



◀ Sun Pest Management installed two baiting units at strategic locations on rooftops plus one at the college.

▶ Pigeons no longer represent the nuisance they once were in Walla Walla.



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