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the variance in risk. Hunters perceived similarity with and trust in wildlife agencies, but still perceived risks associated with CWD.

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