

URGENT! ACTION NEEDED to save Mexican wolves!

Decline puts wolves on the brink of extinction

February 2009

2009 – 31 pups born

February 2010

52

83

42

Forty-one Mexican wolves were lost from the wild population in 2009, lowering the population by 20% compared to last year. Only 42 Mexican wolves remain in the wilds of Arizona and New Mexico. If this dire situation continues, it will lead to the second extinction of Mexican wolves in the wild.

We must act now to make sure that it doesn't.

Here is what you can do:

WRITE TO SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR KEN SALAZAR AND U.S. FISH AND THE WILDLIFE SERVICE DIRECTOR and tell them:

1. A 20 percent decline in this population is unacceptable. We want wolves to survive and thrive in the southwest.
2. The US Fish and Wildlife Service took a step in the right direction in 2009 when they decided to leave wolves charged with livestock depredations in the wild and to reassert agency authority over the Mexican wolf project. The current situation points to a clear and urgent need for additional changes.
3. To immediately and aggressively recover Mexican wolves from the brink of extinction, the Fish and Wildlife Service must:
 - Give Mexican gray wolves greater endangered species protections
 - Release more wolves into the wild and bolster the genetic fitness of the population
 - Bring the criminals killing our wolves to justice
 - Write a new science-based Recovery Plan to replace the outdated 1982 plan that clearly is not working.

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