

The Mexican Wolf Reward Has Gone up to \$60,000! Help Distribute Reward Posters to Stop Criminals Killing Lobos

In June, federal officials issued a report on the decline of the wild Mexican wolf population to a dangerous low of only 42 at the end of 2009. According to the report, illegal wolf killings are the leading cause of death for Mexican gray wolves. Between 1998 and June 2009, 31 Mexican gray wolves were killed illegally. Another 47 mysteriously disappeared.

Tragically, three more highly endangered Mexican gray wolves, two of whom were the alpha males of their packs, were found dead in the wild this summer.

The alpha male of the Hawk's Nest Pack was shot to death in eastern Arizona, leaving his mate to raise helpless pups without him. The alpha male of the San Mateo Pack was found dead under suspicious circumstances in New Mexico. Both deaths are under investigation. A younger male wolf from the Hawk's Nest Pack was also confirmed to have been shot.

These killings have to stop.

Please print out copies of the reward poster, preferably on eye-catching, day-glo colored paper, and post them everywhere, often. You can download them here:
http://www.mexicanwolves.org/uploads/reward_poster_August42010.pdf

The following agencies, organizations, and individuals have pledged amounts totaling up to \$60,000 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of criminals who break the law against killing Mexican gray wolves.

US Fish and Wildlife Service
Sierra Club, Grand Canyon Chapter
and Rincon Group
Defenders of Wildlife
The Phoenix Zoo
Individual donors
Center for Biological Diversity
Humane Society of the United States
WildEarth Guardians
White Mountain Conservation League

The Rewilding Institute
Southwest Environmental Center
Sky Island Alliance
New Mexico Department of Game and Fish
Arizona Game and Fish Department
Animal Protection of New Mexico
Animal Defense League of Arizona
Wildlands Network
New Mexico Wilderness Alliance
Grand Canyon Wildlands Council

A number of groups increased their pledges or made new pledges in 2010, which has raised the reward amount by reward approximately 20%, from \$50,000 to \$60,000!

Please download posters and help get the word out!

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