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Wildlife Rehabilitation Contract number 15 516 0000 00047

End of Calendar year 2015 Report

Project Title:

**Wildlife Rehabilitation  
Wildlife Rescue Inc. of New Mexico (WRINM)**

In the year 2015 over 1,740 animals were brought to the WRINM clinic by people in need of help. Agencies which have also used the services of WRINM for care of displaced wildlife included but were not limited to, NMDGF; NM Parks and Recreation; ABQ Animal Services; Bernalillo County Animals services; Rio Grande Zoo. Annual reports can be seen and have been filed with the permit administrator, NMDGF.

2013 total intakes= 1424; releases= 35. %; euthanized= 30.06%; died= 29.14%

2014 total intakes= 1382; releases= 41. %; euthanized= 27.79%; died= 26.55%

2015 total intakes= 1738 releases= 31. % euthanized= 32%; died= 32%

We suspect that a series of over 100 degree days during July, in which a large number of nestlings were brought in very dehydrated and in generally very poor condition contributed to the increase in numbers and the decrease in ability to survive.

In view of the large number of white winged doves received recently we looked at the pattern of doves in care from 2003 to 2015. There appears to be a pretty steady decline of mourning doves mirroring a steady increase of both white winged doves and Eurasian collared doves over the 15 years examined (attached).

The bird and mammal results, though very different in number were about the same in analysis. About 33% of the mammals rehabilitated were released and about the same number died.

WRI conducted 170 educational programs totaling 234 hours in schools, K-12 and other venues. We are happy to be able to work with NMDGF and NM Parks and Recreation on programs such as these which include programs at the National Wildlife Refuges, State Wildlife Management areas and NM Outdoor Expo.

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