

Current Population

- Partner facilities – 50 plus St. Vincent Island.
- Wolves in the SAFE– 269 (plus 2 on St. Vincent Island)
- Births – 78 pups in 18 litters. 21 DNS leaving 56 pups in 13 litters (45% of pairings successful)
 - 1 pup was fostered
 - 5 total litters were lost.
- Deaths– 21 adults >1 yo
 - since 8/1/22
 - Average age of 11 yo



Current Population

- Maintaining 88% genetic diversity of the 14 founders
- Currently 122 spaces dedicated to holding red wolves
 - Capacity of 280-300 wolves
- Goal to grow to 330 wolves
 - Next goal is 400 wolves to support multiple recovery locations.
- Need ~20 new spaces to get to 330 wolves. (~50 new for 400)





Draft Breeding and Transfer Plan

- 34 Breeding pairs are recommended
 - 55% of breeding pairs are highly desired.
 - 15% in 2022
 - 100% of pairs are desired.
 - 77% in 2022
- 32 transfers are needed



Change is a good thing

- I have retired from the NC Zoo
- As an AZA SAFE program officers do not need to be at an accredited Partner
- 1 year contract with USFWS to remain Ex-Situ Population Manager
- Same job, different contact information

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