



# WILDLIFE WATCH

A Leadership Response to Urban Wildlife Conflict



# Wildlife Watch...What is it?

- A leadership development program
- A theoretical model that teaches agencies and communities how to minimize urban wildlife conflicts
- An educational program that emphasizes understanding/application of principles
- A catalyst to promote agency policy formation for urban wildlife



# Wildlife Watch...Coaching

Takes place at two different levels:

- Municipal government/agencies
  - *City Leaders*
  - *Police Department*
  - *Animal Services*
  - *Parks and Recreation Department*
  - *Public Works*
- Community level
  - *Homeowner's Associations*
  - *Private Organizations*
  - *Mobile Home Residents*
  - *Apartment Complexes*
  - *Retirement Communities*
  - *Suburban Neighborhoods*



# Wildlife Watch...Agency Coaching

Encourages and guides agency management to:

- Develop public safety wildlife guidelines/policies utilizing authority from FG 4152 (a)
- Develop a communications plan within divisions and branches
  - *Start at the top*
  - *Ends at the community level*



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# Wildlife Watch...Agency Coaching (continued)

- Convene a meeting with management from divisions/ branches to include:
  - *City Manager*
  - *Legal Staff*
  - *Law/Code Enforcement*
  - *Animal Services*
  - *Public Works*
  - *Parks And Recreation/Golf Courses*
  - *Utility/Electricity/Power Easements*
  - *Landscape Maintenance*
  - *Sanitation*
  - *Planning Department*



# Wildlife Watch...Coaching Sessions

## Topics will include:

- *Community level to prevent human/wildlife encounters*
- *No feed ordinance*
- *Leash laws*
- *Feral cat feeding areas*
- *Informational brochures*
- *Coyote hotline and mapping*
- *Coyote presentations by NRVP volunteers at community level*
- *No feeding programs (feral pigeons and waterfowl)*
- *Title 14 CCR section 251.1, harassment of animals*
- *School programs*
- *Coyote incident reporting system and database*
- *Hazing (When and How)*
- *Lethal removal*
- *Causes of human/coyote conflicts*





# Wildlife Watch...Keys to Success

- Total commitment to program by city top management
- Cooperation between all government divisions and branches
- Divisions/branches understand respective roles
- Solid communications plan both internally and externally
- Monthly reporting and tracking system



# Wildlife Watch...In Summary

Wildlife Watch has been designed to:

- Support you in all aspects of wildlife management
- Reduce wildlife conflicts with humans
- Increase respect between community and city government

