

Notice of availability of the draft revised recovery plan for red wolf

We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of our draft revised recovery plan for red wolf, a mammal species listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). This species was once common throughout the eastern and southcentral United States, but is currently restricted to a single nonessential experimental population in eastern North Carolina.

Section 4(f) of the ESA requires us to provide public notice and an opportunity for the public to review and comment during recovery plan development. Additionally, we seek comments from Federal, Tribal, State, and local governments. We are particularly interested in additional information regarding the current threats to the species, ongoing beneficial management efforts, and the costs associated with implementing the recommended recovery actions. We will consider all information presented during the public comment period. Comments may or may not result in changes to the recovery plan; comments regarding recovery plan implementation will be forwarded as appropriate to Federal or other entities so that they can be taken into account during implementation of recovery actions.

Dates: To ensure consideration, we must receive written comments on or before October 28, 2022. However, we will accept information about any species at any time.

Reviewing document: You may obtain a copy of the draft recovery plan by any one of the following methods:

- Internet: Download a copy at <https://www.fws.gov/program/recovery/recovery-plans> or <https://www.fws.gov/project/red-wolf-recovery-program>
- U.S. mail: Send a request to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 200 Dulles Drive, Lafayette, LA 70506.
- Telephone: 337-291-3090.

Submitting comments: Submit your comments on the draft document in writing by any one of the following methods:

- U.S. mail: Emily Weller, Coordinator, Red Wolf Recovery Program, at the above U.S. mail address; or
- Email: redwolf_comments@fws.gov; please put “Comment on Draft Recovery Plan” in the subject line.

Public Availability of Comments: All comments received, including names, addresses, phone numbers, email addresses or other personal identifying information, will become part of the decision record and will be available to the public. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Comments and materials we receive will be available, by appointment, for public inspection during normal business hours at our office.

For Further Information, please contact: Emily Weller, Coordinator, Red Wolf Recovery Program at the above address, via phone at 337-291-3090, or by email at emily_weller@fws.gov.