

Narrow-headed and Northern Mexican Gartersnakes Training*
19-20 May 2015
Western New Mexico University-
Harlan Hall (HH), Rooms 111 &115
Silver City, New Mexico

Note: This training is intended for individuals that will be performing aquatic gartersnake presence/absence surveys. The training only prepares you to conduct presence/absence surveys; it does not permit you to conduct surveys under the ESA, should either of the species become listed under the ESA. For those intending on conducting surveys for either Narrow-headed or Northern Mexican gartersnakes, a federal permit may be required should the proposed listings for each of these species become final. State permits may also apply.

Information regarding federal permits can be found at <http://www.fws.gov/permits/>.

*This training will immediately follow the Chiricahua leopard frog training. Separate registration is required for each Chiricahua leopard frog and Aquatic Gartersnake training. Both trainings will be held over the course of 18-20 May 2015.

Training provided in cooperation with:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS); Ecological Services; 2105 Osuna NE, Albuquerque, NM 87113

U.S.D.A Forest Service (USDAFS); Southwestern Region; 333 Broadway Blvd. SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102

Western New Mexico University (WNMU); Department of Natural Sciences; Gila Center for Natural History; P.O. Box 680; Silver City, NM 88062

New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF); Endangered Species Program; P.O. Box 25112; Santa Fe, NM 87504

Agenda

Please bring waders (no felt bottoms) and binoculars for field activities

Additional equipment to bring if you have it GPS, pH meter, thermometer, conductivity meter, camera, tape measure, spring scale

Field activities may require a 4x4 vehicle, please bring one if possible. We will carpool as much as possible.

18 May (FROGS Only)

9:00-22:30 Chiricahua leopard frog training; separate registration for frog training required.

19 May (A.M.=Frogs / P.M.= Snakes)

0800-1:30 Chiricahua leopard frog field activities with lunch break; separate registration for frog training required.

START of AQUATIC GARTERSNAKE TRAINING (19 May)

**Those Registered for Aquatic Gartersnake Training will
Start at 2:00 in parking lot of Harlan Hall to Clean Gear**

2:00 Meet at Harlan Hall clean gear, then depart to Gila River

3:00 Set minnow traps, discuss proper methods

4:30 return to Silver

20 May (GARTERSNAKES Only)

8:00-9:30 Gartersnake identification and survey methods lecture, Harlan Hall

10:00 Gartersnake identification Lab

11:00- 15:00 Head to Gila River to check traps and conduct field survey.