

Mexican Wolf Blue Range Reintroduction Project Statistics

Minimum population count and number of breeding pairs within the Blue Range Wolf Recovery Area, Arizona and New Mexico, compared to the 1996 Final Environmental Impact Statement, 1998 to 2007.

| <u>Year</u> | <u>Population count</u> | | <u>No. of breeding pairs</u> | |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------|
| | <u>Minimum</u> | <u>FEIS prediction</u> | <u>Minimum</u> | <u>FEIS prediction</u> |
| 1998 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 1 |
| 1999 | 15 | 14 | 0 | 2 |
| 2000 | 22 | 23 | 1 | 4 |
| 2001 | 26 | 35 | 3 | 6 |
| 2002 | 42 | 45 | 5 | 8 |
| 2003 | 55 | 55 | 3 | 10 |
| 2004 | 44-48 | 68 | 6 | 12 |
| 2005 | 35-49 | 83 | 5 | 15 |
| 2006 | 59 | 102 | 7 | 18 |
| 2007 | 52 | * | 4 | * |

* The 1996 Final Environmental Impact Statement only projected wolf population growth for the first nine years after releases into the Blue Range Wolf Recovery Area.