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*The Endangered Species Act gives the Fish and Wildlife Service a responsibility breathtaking in scope: nothing less than restoring our Nation's imperiled plant and animal species to a secure status and conserving the ecosystems upon which they, and all of us, depend. Many of these species have been declining for decades or even centuries. A few benefit right away from the Act's legal protection. For most, however, the road to recovery is a long one, filled with obstacles and uncertainty. Many animals, for example, require years of research, captive breeding and reintroduction, the removal of competing non-native species, and wide scale ecological restoration for recovery. Significant progress in stabilizing and restoring listed species is being made, as this edition of the Bulletin illustrates.*



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