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Message: Hi, I'm deeply opposed to the coyote "trap and release" notion. Coyote trapping is an inhumane practice, as relocated coyotes often do not survive. Furthermore, the removal of a parent may result in the abandonment of pups who are too young to fend for themselves. Crews working to relocate may not know if a mom has pups or not.

It doesn't work. When alpha males are removed, younger males are drawn into the area, leading to an increase in mating and litter size. In the end, there is no reduction, and possibly there is an increase, in the local coyote population. The younger and less experienced population may be more prone to undesirable behaviors, particularly if the fundamental causes of these behaviors are not addressed. This is a proven fact.

The root causes of human-coyote conflicts are habitat encroachment and fragmentation, and the habituation of coyotes to urban areas as a result of people purposely or accidentally feeding or sheltering them. Addressing these causes would be a much more effective use of time and resources. We need to teach people to co-exist with our wild neighbors.

(Sent via [Citizens for Los Angeles Wildlife](#))