

# Fish & Wildlife Program

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# Fish & Wildlife Mission

- Professionally and scientifically manage fish and wildlife resources to:
  - Support and enhance military training
  - Provide for consumptive and non-consumptive use of natural resources
  - Maintain compliance with applicable laws, policies, and regulations

# What We Do

- Scientific Studies
- Endangered Species Management
- Habitat Management
- Game Species Management
  - Deer, turkey, quail, rabbit, squirrel, waterfowl
- Migratory Bird Management
- Wetland & Watershed Management



# Compliance Issues

- Two Endangered Species
  - Indiana and gray bats
- One Proposed (Candidate) Species
  - Northern long-eared bat
- Two Species At Risk
  - Bachman's and Henslow's Sparrow
- Numerous State Endangered Species
- Streams do not meet state water quality standards

# Stewardship

## Do

- Continue to train as you fight
- Coordinate through Range Control
- Use hardened stream crossings

## Don't

- Leave residue in the field
- Conduct off road maneuvers if not needed
- Remove trees greater than 5" diameter
- Harass wildlife
- Drive in the streams
- Feed the wildlife

# Military Residue



Increases rodent populations near bivouac sites and increases encounters with poisonous snakes



# Impact of Military Residue



Take of wildlife and  
damage to equipment



# Wildlife Interactions



# Take Aways

- Remove military residue when leaving the field
- Dispose of liquid wastes through proper channels
- Don't wash vehicles in the streams
- Use hardened fords to cross streams
- Minimize off road traffic to reduce erosion
- Don't harass wildlife

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# Questions