Deer Relocation Archive

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2021

<u>Document paints bleak picture of plan to bring Sitka black-tailed deer to Mat-Su</u> November 19, 2021 Alaska, KTOO

... it's pretty common for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game to transplant animals... Deer do survive in Alaska, certainly, and in some pretty cold places. But a lot of the factors that allow them to survive in colder years are kind of absent from that area of the Matanuska-Susitna Valley...

'A Very Long Way From Home': Deer Wanders Down 'Industrial' Street in Vancouver July 27, 2021 British Columbia, YAHOO!News

... "The Vancouver Police were able to gently corral the deer in an alley and a conservation officer was able to tranquilize the deer to relocate it...

<u>Yearling moose relocated out of a Twin Falls residential neighborhood</u> July 19, 2021 Idaho, DNR News

... The Twin Falls Police Department started receiving phone calls and reports of pictures of moose on doorbell cameras on Sunday morning ... Conservation officers and biologists from Fish and Game were called to handle the capture and relocation of the moose. The moose was safely anesthetized and released north of Carey....

Cow and calf moose relocated out of Hailey neighborhood to Silver Creek July 9, 2021 Idaho, Fish and Game News

... With permission of a homeowner, the team was able to quickly dart and anesthetize the cow in their backyard. The young calf stayed close to the cow and was easily captured... Both the cow and calf were loaded into a horse trailer and transported to the Silver Creek area where they were safely released along a creek..,

<u>Deer tranquilized and relocated from North End</u> June 4, 2021 Massachusetts, The Boston Globe

... Officials decided to tranquilize and relocate the doe because of the prevalence of people and activity in the area ...

McCall looks to ban feeding deer within the city June 3, 2021 Idaho, KTVB

... "They're getting food [in McCall] so there's no need to [migrate]," ... If the ordinance goes through, Fish and Game plans to trap and relocate the healthy deer population. This is to acclimate the deer to a natural migration pattern...

Young white-tailed deer that disperse survive the same as those that stay home March 8, 2021 Pennsylvania, Phys.org

... radio-collared hundreds of Pennsylvania deer over the last 20 years, ... about three of every four young, male white-tailed deer disperse, with yearling female dispersal rates much lower... survival rates of dispersers—males 49.9%, females 64.0%—did not differ appreciably from those of nondispersers—males 51.6%, females 70.7%. ... [published in Ecology and Evolution]

2020

Quebec city set to kill white-tailed deer relents, will move to relocate them instead November 23, 2020 Quebec, The Canadian Press

... Goldwater, an animal rights activist, urged the city to meet with her to discuss the situation. She said the animals will be treated well and examined from "the tip of the ears to the tip of their hooves" before they are sedated and transported to a sanctuary... These deer are semi-domestic ...

Longueuil deer cull triggers protest November 14, 2020 Quebec, Global News ... "The Miller Zoo wants to take them, the animal rescue is willing to catch them and transport them," ... "We know that it's possible to move these animals because we do

this many times and we have a place for them," ... the city would not change its plans despite the zoo's offer...

Idaho Fish and Game traps and relocates elk in Elmore County October 22, 2020 6 On Your Side

... The Idaho Fish & Game moved 16 elk out of Elmore County because the herd is too large, and the elk are damaging agriculture in the region... The goal was to remove 70 elk ...

<u>CAPTIVITY TO FREEDOM - DEER TRANSLOCATION FROM BHANJAVIHAR TO LAKHARY</u> October 10, 2020

The video is all about translocation exercise of the total deer population present in the Bhanjavihar Deer park in Berhampur University, Ganjam to Lakhary Valley Wildlife Sanctuary in Gajapati District. This was a long thought of project after de-recognition of the deer park by the Central Zoo Authority. However by the concentrated efforts and scientific approach adopted by team Berhampur Forest Division under the leadership of the RCCF Sri. Prasanta Kumar Mishra and DFO Berhampur, Sri. Amlan Nayak along with wildlife experts, veterinarians, the translocation was achieved in a soft release mode following all guidelines of the CZA and IUCN. This will serve as an initial guide for any such translocation. The film was officially released on Video Courtesy: Sri. Chandan Jani, Director Techwild and group.

<u>Provo Municipal Council points to possible changes in urban deer contract</u> October 8, 2020 Utah, Daily Herald

... For the past four years, the city has had a dual program of lethal and non-lethal methods of getting rid of the urban deer population... In early 2019 the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources ended transporting trapped deer to new locations because of concerns of spreading Chronic Wasting Disease ... "Looking at the numbers, I'm not persuaded it has made a difference," said George Handley, council chairman. "I don't see any significant reduction in traffic accidents." ...

Comparing Survival and Movements of Non-Urban and Urban Translocated Mule Deer
CA Wright, IT Adams, P Stent, AT Ford - The Journal of Wildlife Management, 2020
British Columbia

... Annual survival of translocated deer was 0.48 and was significantly lower than survival of non-urban deer, which was 0.77. We observed 20 of 57 collared translocated deer return to a town after translocation...

<u>Fish and Game takes new approach to reduce Magic Valley elk population</u> June 12, 2020 Idaho, 6 On Your Side

... Fall and spring trap and translocation to reduce the size of the depredating elk herd... Non-lethal hazing to deter elk from entering private property and depredating on crops... Nighttime sharp shooting of antlerless elk by department staff to change elk behavior and reduce herd size...

<u>Lakeway pursues permit to trap, transport deer</u> January 9, 2020 Texas, Austin American-Statesmen

... the first step toward a state permit application to trap, transport and transplant ... white-tailed deer ... an applicant must trap and euthanize 15 deer within the trap site, testing them for chronic wasting disease ... Parks and Wildlife requires the test results before it will issue a permit...

Committee recommends trapping, transporting excess deer population from Lakeway to west Texas December 17, 2019 Texas, KVUE

... <u>Lakeway's Wildlife Advisory Committee</u> (WAC) recommended to the <u>city council</u> that an unspecified number of deer be moved to west Texas as a way to limit the deer overpopulation across the city...Dennis Hogan, the chair of WAC, brought up the plan to trap, transport and translocate deer to west Texas. Claiming anthrax had killed off parts of the deer population in that area ...

2019

Moose is moved to state park after run through St. John's Cemetery September 30, 2019 Massachusetts, Worcester Telegram

... captured by authorities and tranquilized. Authorities took the bull moose to a state park for release ... The moose was one of two that Worcester police were tracking in the city ...

<u>Final year of reintroduction effort provides 60 Kentucky elk to Wisconsin's</u>Northwoods August 20, 2019 DNR News

... The release of these 60 elk marks the fifth and final year of Wisconsin's elk translocation efforts and the second release of elk into the northern elk range in Sawyer County. Thirty-one elk were released here in 2017. "We're happy to have the translocation effort complete and look forward to seeing the herd continue to grow," ...

60 spotted deer rescued in Chennai to be set free July 12, 2019 India Times

... rescued from various places in the city, are set to be translocated in the wild... We want to monitor those animals at least for a month. Only then will the next batch will be released from the rehabilitation centre ...

All-lethal means of urban deer mitigation approved by Provo council July 10, 2019 Utah, Daily Herald

... Earlier this year, the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources ended transporting trapped deer to new locations because of concerns of spreading Chronic Wasting Disease commonly found in deer, elk, moose and other animals...

<u>DWR to stop relocating urban deer to limit spread of chronic wasting disease</u> May 2, 2019 Utah, Deseret News

... the disease has a low prevalence rate in Utah deer populations compared to neighboring states like Colorado and Wyoming...

<u>Last round of Kentucky elk reach Wisconsin</u> April 3, 2019 Milwaukee Journal Sentinel ... caravan of livestock trailers carrying 48 wild elk from Kentucky arrived in Wisconsin ... The animals were unloaded into a 7-acre quarantine pen near Winter in the Flambeau River State Forest...

Free ranging deer soon to be rescued March 29, 2019 India, timesofindia.indiatimes.com ... The wildlife managers have identified more than a dozen locations across the city ... plans have been drawn on how to trap the free-ranging ungulates ... will be safely transported ...

BPA rescheduling relocation of white-tailed deer March 23, 2019 Washington, Longview Daily News

... There are about 200 deer on Tenasillahe Island right now, Shull said, noting that moving 50 deer is not enough that the remaining white-tailed deer population would diminish. Federal biologists say the ideal population on the island is about 125...

No deer to be translocated from Kimberley this year January 29, 2019 British Columbia, BC Local News

... this year's annual deer count resulted in 77 deer ... "In prior years, the Managing for the Future document set 125 deer as the threshold for the City to act on reducing mule deer populations. In June of 2018 this threshold was lowered by the deer committee to 30 mule deer within city limits," [the translocation project has been safe and successful] ...

<u>Kimberley Deer Committee recommends 40 deer be translocated this year</u> January 22, 2019 British Columbia, BC Local News

... "There has been a dramatic decline in the number of bucks ... That is likely because there aren't as many does around either. Last year there over 35 bucks in town, this year, 13 were counted." [same result as in the San Jose sterilization project] ... With a couple of years of moving deer out by translocation, Oakley says there have been less deer killed by cars in town and also less complaints...

What to do(e) with deer urbanites January 10, 2019 British Columbia, Columbia Valley Pioneer ... Due to a newer drug combination targeted specifically for ungulates, this trial has had great success in relocating the animals during the initial capture and release (only one mortality was recorded during the actual capture and release)... "The vast majority of deer translocated in 2018 have remained out of the communities ... this seems a reasonable outcome...Translocation gives deer a chance." ...

2018

Kimberely, <u>Cull and deer trans-location funding approved</u> November 28, 2018 British Columbia, E-Know.ca (press release)

... Five councillors voted to proceed with applying to FLNRORD for operational funding to translocate up to 100 mule deer ... The past council was not happy about having to agree with the culling of trans-located deer if they return to an urban area...

Moose tranquilized and relocated in Colorado Springs September 5, 2018 Colorado, KKTV

... spent hours roaming through neighborhoods ... To prevent any harm coming to either moose or a bystander, Berscheid said CPW decided to tranquilize the animal and relocate it...

Kimberley, <u>The ups and downs of deer translocation</u> August 17, 2018 British Columbia, Kimberley Bulletin

... Fifty does and fawns were taken out of Kimberley in five days last March. Oakley says the operation goes quite smoothly and no deer have died from being moved... One of those issues is the fact that the translocated (collared) deer show up in other communities... the majority of the animals are staying out of towns. Their predation is rate is slightly higher ...

<u>Kimberley Urban Deer Committee sets new goal of reducing deer population to 30</u> June 28, 2018 Canada, Kimberley Bulletin ... translocation will continue to be their number one method for reducing deer populations ... the committee has been conducting an annual deer count ... Translocation, not withstanding some of the minor findings, has been a huge success...

<u>Comparative health assessment of urban and non-urban free-ranging mule deer</u>
(<u>Odocoileus hemionus</u>) in southeastern British Columbia, Canada A Mathieu, M Flint, PM Stent, HM Schwantje, TE Wittum - PeerJ, 2018

... Comparison of BCS, pregnancy rates and pathogen exposure of uMD [urban mule deer] and nuMD [non-urban mule deer] showed that the health of the two populations did not significantly differ, suggesting uMD translocations do not pose a severe risk of pathogen transmission between mule deer populations and that these selected pathogens do not factor in the decline of the nuMD population...

<u>YouTube Video:</u> IDFG officers and wildlife staff responded to a report of a moose in the city of Burley, Idaho. They were able to tranquilize the moose near the Maverick gas station on east Main Street and safely move it. - June 5, 2018 Idaho

Arizona elk prepared for their new West Virginia home May 15, 2018 WVDNR News

... Fifty elk transported from Arizona now officially call West Virginia "home." ... The free-ranging elk were captured in late January and held near Flagstaff, Arizona, for disease testing, before being transported in early March to a holding pen near Holden, West Virginia ..,

Cranbrook to apply for autumn deer cull April 10, 2018 British Columbia, E-Know.ca ... The city is going to explore another option with the province to see if it can apply for both a

cull and a translocation, with the ability to perhaps choose which method to use...

North Logan deer control program not out of woods March 24, 2018 Utah, The Herald Journal ... urban deer programs in about 15 cities statewide. Some relocate the deer ... it cost about \$250 for each one ...

Arizona elk arrive in West Virginia March 19, 2018 WVDNR News

... Fifty-one elk completed their journey from Arizona and were released into a holding facility in Logan County earlier this month. The elk, which are part of West Virginia's elk restoration project, were captured in late January and held near Flagstaff, Arizona for disease testing...

<u>Survival and Cause-Specific Mortality of a Southeastern Kentucky Deer Population February</u> 2018 CA Haymes

... deer populations, those in southeast Kentucky are viewed as relatively low compared to other regions, even after a decade of restrictive doe harvest and multiple years of population supplementation via translocation ...

<u>Urban deer translocation study wraps up</u> February 7, 2018 British Columbia, Columbia Valley Pioneer

... The main stumbling block to continuing on with translocation was the propensity of some individuals, I think it was about 12 of 40 collared deer that showed up in other communities ... there was also about the same number or more more deer that did revert to what we call natural mule deer habits ...

Chrysler site deer trapped and relocated January 19, 2018 Wisconsin, Kenosha News ... Animal lovers of Kenosha have watched the pair with concern for months after they were spotted in the summer... Darting the deer with tranquilizer was also not a good option because of the open nature of the site ... the DNR decided to put traps on the property... designed to trap deer unharmed ...

<u>Lake Superior caribou helicoptered to island with no wolves</u> January 16, 2018 Ontario, Duluth News Tribune

... nine caribou, one bull and eight cows, were tranquilized and taken aboard helicopters from Michipicoten Island on Lake Superior to the Slate Islands, according to the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry... The Michipicoten herd has been decimated in recent years after wolves crossed an ice bridge from the Ontario mainland

2017

Annual deer count in Kimberley December 7, 2017 British Columbia, BCLocalNews

... The current study around translocation of mule deer is not yet final, although preliminary results indicate that translocating the mule deer out of urban areas doesn't seem to be causing stress to the animals, which was a major concern...

North Ogden officials to again debate how to deal with urban deer population November 14, 2017 Utah, Ogden Standard-Examiner

... According to a Nov. 9 staff report from Jonathan Call, the North Ogden city attorney, tapping into a DWR program to remove and relocate deer would cost an estimated \$29,120 per year, presuming 100 animals were trapped. That includes \$200 paid to the DWR per animal plus \$9,120 in city manpower dedicated to the task...

<u>Kimberley BC, to truck deer out of town rather than cull the animals</u> October 2, 2017 British Columbia, National Post

... A cull was conducted in Kimberley in 2012 but McCormick says because the city relies on tourism, it can't afford the negative publicity ... will instead consider relocating the animals...

<u>Kimberley City Council approves funding for deer translocation</u> July 26, 2017 British Columbia, BC Local News

... for the translocation project... a new motion to include \$50,000 per year in the next two years... Our last translocation proved it can work ... Council has approved the motion to put in an application for the Urban Mule Deer Translocation ...

<u>Third year of reintroduction effort provides 31 Kentucky elk to Wisconsin's Northwoods</u> July 18, 2017 DNR News

... the third year of Wisconsin's elk translocation efforts and the first year that elk have been released into the Clam Lake elk range in over 20 years. Following two years of translocation efforts in Jackson County, focus shifted back to the original northern herd that resides primarily in Sawyer County ... Twenty-eight elk arrived at the holding pen in late March ...

<u>YouTube Video:</u> On March 23, 2017, 28 elk from Kentucky arrived at their new home in Sawyer county, Wisconsin. This is the third year of a five-year elk reintroduction project being conducted by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and many other local partners.

Mule Deer Foundation Invests \$1.2 million in Conservation Projects in Utah, July 12, 2017

... The investment helped leverage \$20 million total dollars for projects which included ... translocation of urban mule deer ...

<u>Kimberley seeking permit to translocate deer from provincial ministries</u> June 20, 2017 British Columbia, Kimberley Bulletin

... The current study around translocation of mule deer is not yet final, although preliminary results indicate that translocating the mule deer out of urban areas doesn't seem to be causing stress to the animals, which was a major concern...

<u>Collared deer in Cranbrook after trek</u> June 13, 2017 British Columbia, Cranbrook Townsman

... the deer in question were captured in Kimberley in March, 2017, close to the Civic Centre arena, translocated and released in the Gilbraltor area ... showed up in the yard of the fellow who helped us with the translocation ...

Sawyer County gets 28 Kentucky elk March 23, 2017 Duluth News Tribune ... The elk, relocated from Kentucky, are being held in a seven-acre holding pen to monitor their health and allow them to acclimate to the area. They will be released in early July ...

<u>Big Bend Mule Deer Restoration Effort Advancing</u> March 22, 2017 Texas, Texas Trophy Hunters Association

... To boost a struggling mule deer population in parts of the Big Bend region of far West Texas, wildlife personnel relocated 98 does... to the Black Gap Wildlife WMA and adjacent El Carmen Land ...

<u>East Kootenay Relocation study tracks local deer, variable results</u> March 17, 2017 British Coliumbia, Columbia Valley Pioneer

... Of the seven with radio collars, two have since been killed by predators (one likely by wolves in Upper Findlay Creek), three went up into the alpine near the release site and then returned to lower winter range in the Findlay Flats-Lavington area in the fall, and the other two each made separate long solo journeys ...

<u>Update provided for East Kootenay Deer Translocation trial</u> February 28, 2017 British Columbia, Kimberley Bulletin

... We had some initial predation, mostly by cougar ... Three deer died in the late autumn of unknown causes, possibly related to poor nutrition... So far the mortality rate for the collared deer that were released last year is about 50 per cent, while it's only 20 per cent for collared non-urban mule deer... [this is the first trial, other cases show experience improves survival, 29 deer tracked in this study] ...

<u>Here's how Idaho Fish and Game removed a bull elk from a Weiser picnic shelter</u> February 24, 2017 Idaho Statesman

... shot with the tranquilizer ... The elk ran across the road into a field — the drug takes three to five minutes to work — and eventually flopped down under a tree. A crew of seven Fish and Game and city employees converged ... "We'll haul him out of town where we've got some other elk and let him go ...

<u>Provo's urban deer capture and relocation program completes first year</u> February 23, 2017 Utah, Daily Herald

... Provo Municipal Council passed a new Urban Deer Capture and Relocation ordinance in July 2016, Freedman called it a blessing. The cost was \$14,000 for the first year. To relocate and transport is approximately \$200 per animal...

<u>Elkford turns to residents for urban deer answers</u> January 15, 2017 British Columbia, The Free Press

... During February and March of last year, 60 deer were relocated from Cranbrook, Kimberley, Invermere and Elkford. Twenty-nine of the deer were fitted with radio collars to allow monitoring of their movements and survival rates... early results show the survival rates of the collared animals have been comparable to the general deer population...

2016

<u>YouTube Video:</u> Ten milu deer have been transported from Beijing to Hebei Province, where they will be released into the wild in the hope of expanding the milu population. The animals were loaded onto a truck after being tranquilized on Saturday morning in Beijing and are expected to arrive in Mulan town in Hebei Province after a six-hour trip. And after staying overnight at a nature reserve, they will be carried up a mountain and returned to the wild on Sunday morning. Over-hunting, climate change and the shrinking of wetlands have made the deer an endangered species. - May 21, 2016

The Deer that were Here April 22, 2016 British Columbia, BC Local News

... 29 collared deer from Kimberley and Cranbrook were released in the south country in February... there have been no deaths that could be called stress related ... There was a lot of question as to how they would do. Capture related deaths due to stress can show up a couple of weeks after an animal is handled...

More deer will be translocated from East Kootenay communities this winter December 20, 2016 British Columbia, Kimberley Bulletin

... the pilot study, while not over, has been very successful so far. If translocation is used in the future, he [Kimberley Mayor Don McCormick] says that it is expected that costs would be similar to euthanizing. An expensive part of the current study was the radio collars for some of the translocated deer. Those are not necessary once the study is complete...

<u>3 Interior BC communities get provincial funding for urban deer culls</u> Relocation programs tested, December 11, 2016 British Columbia, CBC.ca

... The city has also experimented with relocation programs, tagging and moving 13 deer out of the city in 2016... The deer took to the relocation better than expected, but several have already ended up back in town. "They were moved over 50 kilometres away from Invermere into the backcountry, [but] at least four of those deer have returned to Invermere," ...

Ky. elk population focus of upcoming meeting December 10, 2016 Kentucky, The Courier-Journal

... Kentucky's elk restoration program is the most successful of its kind in the country... started in 1997 with the establishment of a 16-county, 3.5-million-acre elk restoration

zone and the release of seven animals. Stocking continued until 2002, by which time 1,550 elk had been moved to Eastern Kentucky from seven western states...

<u>10 Years for Recovery Chinese water deer in Shanghai area</u> M Chen, E Zhang - Research and methods in ecohealth and conservation, 2016

... Huaxia park (in Pudong district, Shanghai) was chosen as a plot area to establish release stock, after two year, the deer has not only adapted to the climatic conditions, but also succeeded in reproducing. The stock numbers in Huaxia Park grew from 21 to 51 in the first couple of years; 80.95% of the introduced individuals survived and the survival rate of their offspring was 79.54%....

<u>Columbian white-tails have been delisted to threatened species</u> October 27, 2016 Washington, The Wahkiakum County Eagle

... The deer population of the lower Columbian floodplain has experienced significant recovery, increasing from about 400 deer in the early 1970s to almost 1,000 individuals in 2015... The successes in translocations and management have been invaluable in promoting the recovery of the deer ...

Riverside Cops Free Deer Stuck in Hammock October 20, 2016 Illinois, NBC Chicago ... It took five tranquilizer darts to sedate the deer so the netting could be cut... [moved] to a safe location at an animal shelter in Chicago Ridge ...

<u>Columbian white-tailed deer: No longer endangered in the Columbia floodplain</u> October 19, 2016 Washington, Chinook Observer

... The deer population of the Lower Columbia floodplain has experienced significant recovery, increasing from about 400 deer in the early 1970s to almost 1,000 individuals in 2015. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and its state and tribal partners have utilized translocation as a management technique ...

<u>Deer on the move</u> September 23, 2016 British Columbia, BC Local News ... Last February and March, 60 mule deer were removed from Kimberley, Invermere, Elkford and Cranbrook and released at four locations with mule deer winter range throughout the East Kootenay. 29 of the 60 deer were fitted with GPS radio collars ... the collared, translocated deer are exhibiting a higher mortality rate (28.6%) than a study of non-urban mule deer (20% in 2015 and 14% in 2016)...

Provo allows \$35K in funding for deer removal July 21, 2016 Utah, KSL.com

... A lethal removal, or harvesting, plan could remove about 100 deer per year by archers within city limits for \$21,900... residents at Tuesday's meeting pointed out concerns for the lethal elimination methods based on safety risks for people in high-density residential areas. The nonlethal translocation plan estimates the removal of around 70 deer for approximately \$17,500 ...

East Kootenay, <u>All eyes on Kootenay urban deer-relocation pilot as alternative to cull</u>
July 19, 2016 British Columbia, Times Colonist

... a \$100,000 pilot program to relocate deer is underway... initial results are very promising ... One of the concerns with relocation was that the citified deer would be "predator naïve" and easy pickings for predators ... 29 were fitted with GPS radio collars ... very good success with the handling and moving ... predation rate seems comparable to or slightly higher than predation rates on a similar project run concurrently by provincial biologists on non-urban mule deer ...

<u>Deer captured in downtown Chicago parking garage</u> May 31, 2016 Illinois, United Press International

... shot two times with a tranquilizer gun ... did not appear to be injured, <u>was released</u> into a nearby forest preserve...

Restoring Deer to the Huichol: Sacred Animals Return to Jalisco, Mexico May 26, 2016
Indian Country Today Media Network

... a dozen deer were captured one at a time with tranquilizer darts, the rest were gathered in a two-day period with net guns deployed from a helicopter ... moved from the state of Tamaulipas to the state of Jalisco by truck On January 22 of this year, all 30 does and three bucks were released into a holding corral ... One doe died soon after arrival. All the others were released in good condition on February 23...

<u>YouTube Video:</u> Official Video from Texas Parks and Wildlife about the Relocation Project. In a multi-year effort to boost mule deer populations in parts of Far West Texas, biologists are capturing and relocating female deer, or does, to help replenish herds after the drought of the 1990s. Texas Parks and Wildlife has this report. For more information on mule deer or other big game wildlife, visit http://www.facebook.com/TXBigGameProgram

<u>Game and Fish continues deer population management</u> March 7, 2016 New Mexico, Silver City Sun-News

... In 2012, they managed to trap only six deer, but in 2013, that number shot up to 110," Matthews said. "It is a lot of work, you need at least one person per deer." The deer are hooded and their legs are tied so they can be safely transported during relocation. "So you wind up having to have 20-25 people there if you have 20-25 deer. It's pretty labor intensive." ...

Study begins to relocate wild buffalo and swamp deer to CNP March 7, 2016 Nepal, The Kathmandu Post

... Study and preparations have been begun to relocate the wild buffalo and swamp deer to the Chitwan National Park (CNP) ...

<u>The situation with the translocation</u> February 25, 2016 British Columbia, Cranbrook Daily Townsman

... "Over three days, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, last week, 20 deer were removed from Kimberley, which is what the permit allowed," White said. "One deer died at capture. They think it regurgitated food and it got caught in the trachea...

<u>Kootenay Communities Given Funding to Relocate Deer</u> February 22, 2016 British Columbia, kelownanow.com

... The province will provide \$36,000 to three communities, Cranbrook, Kimberly, and Invemere, to support the translocation of deer ...

<u>Texas pronghorn relocation continues, 112 more animals moved</u> February 22, 2016 Idaho Statesman

... Efforts continue to bolster the West Texas pronghorn population with 112 animals recently relocated and freed near Marfa. [not deer, but shows these relocation efforts can be successful] ...

Moose on the loose in Idaho Falls! February 13, 2016 East Idaho News
... Animal control officers in Idaho Falls report a moose was captured and relocated in
Ammon on Tuesday by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game...

<u>East Kootenay deer translocation study about to begin</u> February 12, 2016 British Columbia, BC Local News

... Female deer (does) will be captured by tranquilizer darts or in non-collapsible Clover traps. The mule deer will be transported to winter ranges in the East Kootenays where mule deer populations are in decline...

<u>Using Tailored Tranquilizer Combinations to Reduce Stress Associated with Large</u>

<u>Ungulate Capture and Translocation</u> Colorado, LL Wolfe, MW Miller - Journal of Wildlife

Diseases, 2016

Capture and translocation are important tools for managing and studying large ungulates. Although widely used, many established field practices cause fear and stress in subject animals that can hamper overall effectiveness and safety... For extended tranquilization (during transport and overnight holding), adding a sustained-release haloperidol formulation provides calming effects for at least 24–48 h. In our assessment, appropriate and adaptive use of these tranquilizer combinations benefits captured animals without impeding management or research goals

Lakeway, <u>Living with Dee</u>r, Relocation of Urban Deer February 5, 2016 Texas, City of Lakeway

... the "acceptable" number of deer in Lakeway is a subjective matter... From 1999 to 2015, 3,643 deer were removed through trap and relocation or trap and process permits, including 794 relocated to ranches in Mexico in the 2000 –2001 season

through an arrangement between TPWD and entities in Mexico... Costs for trapping and relocation are affected by how far the deer must be moved, but can range from \$150 - \$200 per animal...

<u>Public lands hears agency reports/deer release</u> February 3, 2016 Utah, Emery County Progress

... As many as 25 deer-sized "clover traps" are baited to catch the deer .. with the help of DWR biologists, move trapped deer into horse trailers for their trip to the southeast side of the Manti-La Sal National Forest. The areas where the deer are being released have enough forage to support the newcomers until plants in the areas green-up in the spring...deer are being radio-collared ...

Our deer will not be shot' say Alexandra Park bosses after rumours circulate January 22, 2016 United Kingdom, London24

... they are being sent to two deer parks in Devon where they will be in a more rural environment. The park says that they had been considering moving the deer for a number of years...

<u>Deer translocation study set to begin</u> January 13, 2016 British Columbia, BC Local News

... this is a full on scientific project ... The less people around the better, to minimize stress ... "There are animals out there already collared — a control group," Oakley said. "We want to know — if an animal is taken by a predator, are there control group animals being taken as well, or have the animals being transported lost their prey instinct?" ...

<u>Mule deer translocation trial to begin this winter</u> January 3, 2016 British Columbia, The Free Press

... This trial project, which has received widespread support, is a response to the desire of many to find a non-lethal option to reduce urban deer populations. While the hope is that translocation will prove to be a reliable management tool, the current project is designed to scientifically test if translocation of urban deer is humane and effective...

<u>Animal Alliance looking forward to relocation trial</u> December 28, 2015 British Columbia, Cranbrook Daily Townsman

... collars will allow for the relocated to be monitored. That will allow the whole thing to be evaluated... "If you look at the numbers, I think they've had four culls and really the number of mule deer they've counted has not gone down substantially," she said. "It just doesn't work."...

Problem deer in East Kootenay will be moved, instead of killed December 24, 2015 British

Columbia, CBC

... A team of experts will relocate up to 80 deer, and then track their movements with GPS to see if the plan works. The plan was driven by backlash against killing the deer...

<u>Urban deer translocation project to begin</u> December 23, 2015 British Columbia, BC Local News ... After extensive planning and discussions, a trial project to translocate urban mule deer from four communities ... Mule deer will be live-captured in Elkford, Cranbrook, Kimberley and Invermere, and transported to winter range areas in the East Kootenay where natural non-urban mule deer populations have been in decline for several years. This trial project, which has received wide-spread support ...

<u>Deer found hanging out in Wrigleyville</u> December 8, 2015 Illinois, abc7chicago.com
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Some Dutch deer may be moved to Bulgaria rather than shot August 26, 2015 Netherlands, DutchNews.nl

... Amsterdam city council executives two years ago voted in favour of plans to cull hundreds of fallow deer ... wildlife group Rewilding Europe is in touch with the people who run the Rhodopen national park in Bulgaria about moving some of the Dutch deer there. They are keen to repopulate the area with deer because it will be good for the biodiversity...

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<u>Deer tranquilized, relocated from South Boston yard</u> June 30, 2015 Massachusetts, The Boston Globe

... the deer was "calm, relaxed, and lying down in a flower yard behind a picnic table ... tranquilized the deer ... relocated to the Blue Hills Reservation in Milton, where two officers monitored the scene ... tweeted video that deer was ok

Cody, <u>Bullwinkle taken back to the wild</u> June 16, 2015 Wyoming, Cody Enterprise ... a juvenile yearling moose meandered into her yard... Game and Fish wardens soon arrived and decided the best way to deal with the bull was to tranquilize and relocate him ...



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Forest officials favour relocation of Nara depot deer April 12, 2015 India, Times of India ... Experts who visited the spot say keeping so many deer confined there is sentencing them to death...They seem to agree that relocating the deer from the place is best option...

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<u>Foresters relocate 140 deer from Chennai streets to zoo</u> November 30, 2014 India, Times of India

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<u>Deer herd launched from release 50 years ago</u> August 30, 2014 Lousiana, Bastrop Daily Enterprise

... "I recall back in the 1960s bringing a load of deer we had trapped down at Red Dirt National Wildlife Refuge south of Natchitoches. I stopped by my granddad Charlie Lyle's home in Ruston to let him see what we were bringing to Lincoln Parish. I still remember him shaking his head and telling me he has lived in Lincoln Parish all his life and these are the first deer he had ever seen in this part of the state...

NMSU graduate helps restore mule deer population March 7, 2014 New Mexico, KTSM News Channel 9

... New Mexico Game and Fish has implemented a deer management plan to relocate the excess deer from Silver City to other areas where deer populations have declined ... "The collars will notify researchers if the deer hasn't moved for more than four hours, meaning it may be dead," ...

Bountiful council favors non-lethal deer control February 22, 2014 Utah, Davisclipper ... This follows a short-lived effort about four years ago where about 16 deer were shot by DWR sharp-shooters ... people spoke in support of using non-lethal means ... conducting a non-lethal deer removal program using traps ... Deer are removed to a site in Tooele County... cost of removing deer averages between \$400 and \$1,000 ... Mortality averages about 50 percent ...

Nearly 100 mule deer being transported off Antelope Island February 6, 2014 Utah, Deseret News

... Wildlife officers are using some careful techniques to help the deer pack up and move. A helicopter is used that can take up to four mule deer per load. The deer are blindfolded with their legs tied together, and they're put in a bag... the new, careful techniques make Utah's first large-scale mule deer move possible...

<u>DWR to transport nearly 100 mule deer off Antelope Island</u> February 4, 2014 Utah, KSL-TV

... The Division of Wildlife Resources is working to move nearly 100 mule deer off of Antelope Island this week in an effort to balance out the population before the food supply runs out... The deer will then be driven to parts of Southern Utah that have a much smaller population ...

Mule deer being captured and relocated in and around Silver City January 28, 2014

New Mexico, Silver City Sun News

... This is the second year the department has removed and relocated mule deer from Silver City and is part of ongoing population-control efforts that include population reduction hunts and trapping and moving deer.... The results of the study could lead to new ways for biologists to restore mule deer herds that are in decline ...

<u>Eastern Band of Cherokee to participate in state park deer relocation</u> January 8, 2014 North Carolina, carolinapublicpress.org

... Morrow Mountain State Park will participate in a long-term project to relocate white-tailed deer from the park to reservation lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians ... Partners in the initiative are the state parks system, the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, biologists from Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Cherokee Fisheries and Wildlife Management program...

White-tailed deer ... find welcome on Cherokee tribal lands January 24, 2014 North Carolina, The News & Observer

... deer were a key part of Cherokee life and lore for centuries before the first European settlers arrived. The animals were plentiful across tribal territory that extended over what now are eight Southeastern states. ... Deer counts are estimated at no more than 12 per square mile on the Qualla Boundary today ... From the 1940s into the early 1980s, Wildlife Resources Commission employees corralled animals in deer refuges at Butner and in the Uwharrie Mountains, not far from Morrow Mountain State Park, and moved them into other parts of North Carolina.

<u>Piedmont Deer To Be Relocated On Cherokee Reservation</u> January 8, 2014 North Carolina, WFAE

... biologists will begin tranquilizing deer in Morrow Mountain State Park and then relocating them to the reservation. They'll try not to break-up families. "Just like anybody taking a move, if you have your family and folks with you, you're going to be a lot happier," ...

What to know about deer, restocking deer in Indiana October 16, 2014 Brazil Times ... white-tailed deer were nearing extinction in Indiana. To help combat this, in 1934, the Division of Fish and Game began to restock the population. The initial way they did this was by trapping 400 deer in Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. Once trapped, these deer were transported to state and federal properties ...

<u>Pronghorn at E. Oregon chemical depot relocated</u> December 12, 2013 Oregon, The Columbian

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<u>Wildlife officials propose deer transplants across</u> Utah October 31, 2013 Utah, Salt Lake Tribune

... "In certain situations relocating deer is the best for people and best for wildlife," said Scott McFarlane, private lands/public wildlife coordinator with the DWR... Two locations have been identified as the source for possible deer transplants: the urban herd in the city of Bountiful and the prospering herd on Antelope Island... "There is a 50 to 60 percent survival rate in the first year," ... Justin Shannon, big game coordinator for the DWR...

Hunt on for rogue deer to avert collisions with cars on Bruce Highway near Narangba July 24, 2013 Australia,

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... officers, equipped with tranquilliser equipment ... Trail cameras have been set up in bushland to track and trap the herd ahead of relocation ... A large animal trap has been set up to assist with the humane relocation of the deer...

<u>Deer translocations to begin; assessment released</u> January 29, 2014 Washington, waheagle.com

... U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will begin to translocate up to 35 Columbian white-tailed deer from Puget Island to the Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer ... The final Environmental Assessment for the translocation and an accompanying finding of no significant impact is now available to the public... at https://www.fws.gov/jbh/translocation.html ...

Relocated deer struggling to adapt at wildlife refuge August 18, 2013 Washington, Longview Daily News

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April 18, 2013 Washington, Nature World News

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Relocation of endangered deer a slow, dangerous process February 13, 2013 Washington, Longview Daily News

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Montana pronghorn populate Utah, the West December 31,. 2014 Billings Gazette ... More than 5,000 of the ungulates have been caught on the mountain and moved to other locations in Utah and throughout the west since the mid-1970s... With help from helicopter pilots, groups of pronghorn are chased to a 300-foot runway.... eventually end up in a large, round corral....

15 swamp deer are here, safe and sound December 1, 2014 India, The Hindu ... Transportation of swamp deer is considered one of the riskiest animal exchange operations between zoos... 5 swamp deer arrived by road from Lucknow ... Though one deer succumbed to stress shortly after being loaded onto the vehicle on October 24, the mission is being considered a success...

<u>Foresters relocate 140 deer from Chennai streets to zoo</u> November 30, 2014 India, Times of India

... The department has already relocated around 140 spotted deer have been trapped in cages in the last four months in various locations ... relocate the animals to prevent them from dying in road accidents, contracting infectious diseases or falling prey to poachers and facing attacks by street dogs. ..

<u>Deer herd launched from release 50 years ago</u> August 30, 2014 Lousiana, Bastrop Daily Enterprise

... "I recall back in the 1960s bringing a load of deer we had trapped down at Red Dirt National Wildlife Refuge south of Natchitoches. I stopped by my granddad Charlie Lyle's home in Ruston to let him see what we were bringing to Lincoln Parish. I still remember him shaking his head and telling me he has lived in Lincoln Parish all his life and these are the first deer he had ever seen in this part of the state...

NMSU graduate helps restore mule deer population March 7, 2014 New Mexico, KTSM News Channel 9

... New Mexico Game and Fish has implemented a deer management plan to relocate the excess deer from Silver City to other areas where deer populations have declined ... "The collars will notify researchers if the deer hasn't moved for more than four hours, meaning it may be dead," ...

Bountiful council favors non-lethal deer control February 22, 2014 Utah, Davisclipper ... This follows a short-lived effort about four years ago where about 16 deer were shot by DWR sharp-shooters ... people spoke in support of using non-lethal means ... conducting a non-lethal deer removal program using traps ... Deer are removed to a

site in Tooele County... cost of removing deer averages between \$400 and \$1,000 ... Mortality averages about 50 percent ...

Nearly 100 mule deer being transported off Antelope Island February 6, 2014 Utah, Deseret News

... Wildlife officers are using some careful techniques to help the deer pack up and move. A helicopter is used that can take up to four mule deer per load. The deer are blindfolded with their legs tied together, and they're put in a bag... the new, careful techniques make Utah's first large-scale mule deer move possible...

<u>DWR to transport nearly 100 mule deer off Antelope Island</u> February 4, 2014 Utah, KSL-TV

... The Division of Wildlife Resources is working to move nearly 100 mule deer off of Antelope Island this week in an effort to balance out the population before the food supply runs out... The deer will then be driven to parts of Southern Utah that have a much smaller population ...

Mule deer being captured and relocated in and around Silver City January 28, 2014

New Mexico, Silver City Sun News

... This is the second year the department has removed and relocated mule deer from Silver City and is part of ongoing population-control efforts that include population reduction hunts and trapping and moving deer.... The results of the study could lead to new ways for biologists to restore mule deer herds that are in decline ...

<u>Eastern Band of Cherokee to participate in state park deer relocation</u> January 8, 2014 North Carolina, carolinapublicpress.org

... Morrow Mountain State Park will participate in a long-term project to relocate white-tailed deer from the park to reservation lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians ... Partners in the initiative are the state parks system, the N.C. Wildlife

Resources Commission, biologists from Great Smoky Mountains National Park and the Cherokee Fisheries and Wildlife Management program...

White-tailed deer ... find welcome on Cherokee tribal lands January 24, 2014 North Carolina, The News & Observer

... deer were a key part of Cherokee life and lore for centuries before the first European settlers arrived. The animals were plentiful across tribal territory that extended over what now are eight Southeastern states. ... Deer counts are estimated at no more than 12 per square mile on the Qualla Boundary today ... From the 1940s into the early 1980s, Wildlife Resources Commission employees corralled animals in deer refuges at Butner and in the Uwharrie Mountains, not far from Morrow Mountain State Park, and moved them into other parts of North Carolina.

<u>Piedmont Deer To Be Relocated On Cherokee Reservation</u> January 8, 2014 North Carolina, WFAE

... biologists will begin tranquilizing deer in Morrow Mountain State Park and then relocating them to the reservation. They'll try not to break-up families. "Just like anybody taking a move, if you have your family and folks with you, you're going to be a lot happier," ...

What to know about deer, restocking deer in Indiana October 16, 2014 Brazil Times ... white-tailed deer were nearing extinction in Indiana. To help combat this, in 1934, the Division of Fish and Game began to restock the population. The initial way they did this was by trapping 400 deer in Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania and North Carolina. Once trapped, these deer were transported to state and federal properties ...

<u>Pronghorn at E. Oregon chemical depot relocated</u> December 12, 2013 Oregon, The Columbian

... A helicopter herded 38 of the antelope-like animals into a corral trap at the Umatilla Chemical Depot on Wednesday, and the herd was later driven to a wildlife area about

300 miles south in Malheur County for release... A total of 37 pronghorn were released after the trip to the Beulah Wildlife Management Unit near Ontario — eight adult males, 22 adult females and seven young. One animal in poor condition was euthanized ...

<u>Wildlife officials propose deer transplants across</u> Utah October 31, 2013 Utah, Salt Lake Tribune

... "In certain situations relocating deer is the best for people and best for wildlife," said Scott McFarlane, private lands/public wildlife coordinator with the DWR... Two locations have been identified as the source for possible deer transplants: the urban herd in the city of Bountiful and the prospering herd on Antelope Island... "There is a 50 to 60 percent survival rate in the first year," ... Justin Shannon, big game coordinator for the DWR...

Hunt on for rogue deer to avert collisions with cars on Bruce Highway near Narangba July 24, 2013 Australia,

Courier Mail

... officers, equipped with tranquilliser equipment ... Trail cameras have been set up in bushland to track and trap the herd ahead of relocation ... A large animal trap has been set up to assist with the humane relocation of the deer...

<u>Deer translocations to begin; assessment released</u> January 29, 2014 Washington, waheagle.com

... U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will begin to translocate up to 35 Columbian white-tailed deer from Puget Island to the Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer ... The final Environmental Assessment for the translocation and an accompanying finding of no significant impact is now available to the public... at https://www.fws.gov/jbh/translocation.html ...

Relocated deer struggling to adapt at wildlife refuge August 18, 2013 Washington, Longview Daily News

... at Ridgefield ... As of late July ... a total of 13 relocated deer had perished, and seven of the 22 surviving deer have moved off the refuge ... "a very healthy and robust" coyote population on the Ridgefield refuge is responsible for about a third of the deaths ... According to the USFWS Environmental Assessment ... coyotes are a "major" obstacle to establishing a sustainable population... one 2010 study conducted at the JBH refuge indicated that coyotes were responsible for 69 percent of deer mortalities ...

Northwest Deer Relocation Mission Considered Successful, Despite 20 Percent

Loss April 18, 2013 Washington, Nature World News

... A mission to relocate endangered Columbian White-tail deer ... Jackie Ferrier, who manages the Julia Butler-Hansen Refuge near Cathlamet, Wash., said that as the project went on it became quite difficult to lure the deer into the traps in place for them because the deer had grown leery of humans. "The deer were just plain not coming into the nets anymore ...

Relocation of endangered deer a slow, dangerous process February 13, 2013 Washington, Longview Daily News

... Wildlife officials are in a race to move about 50 deer because they fear a badly eroded dike may soon break... using a combination of sedative darts, drive-netting, and drop-netting ... So far, biologists have captured an ideal mix of age and gender, and no animals or people have been hurt or killed ... "We've never really moved this many deer all at once in this short of a time frame," said Jackie Ferrier, who manages the deer refuge ...

Relocation of Deer and Exotic Animals in Texas - August, 2012

<u>Link to an August, 2012, Youtube video</u> showing relocation of deer and exotic animals in Texas

Pennsylvania Celebrates Century of Elk August 29, 2013 PGC News

.... Between 1913 and 1926, the Game Commission released 177 elk into Pennsylvania's wilds. And the elk that live here today are the progeny of those animals.

A three-year trap-and-transfer program launched by the Game Commission in 1998 expanded the elk's range from 350 to 800 square miles, allowing the herd to grow.

Penticton, <u>Deer relocation stopped in its tracks</u> March 5, 2014 British Columbia, Castanet

... a letter from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations at Monday's full house meeting. "It stated an incredible amount of red tape ... So we decided to drop the initiative because it would be too onerous ..."

Penticton, <u>Oh deer, you have to move</u> February 4, 2014 British Columbia, Castanet.net

... The capture and relocation of deer in the city of Penticton, has moved a step closer to reality. After being presented with several options at Monday's meeting, the city council elected to go with a pilot program that entails partnering with the Penticton Indian Band...

Link to Youtube video showing safe translocation of deer in the U.K.

<u>DWR transfers mule deer to Millard</u> January 16, 2013 Utah, Millard County Chronicle Progress

Fifty mule deer were removed from the Parowan front and transplanted to the Pahvant Range east of Holden on January 7 and 8... According to Division of Wildlife Resources biologist Kody Jones there were too many deer in the Parowan area and plenty of open space in the Pahvant Range. "We don't normally do this, but with SFW

funding it is worth a try. Our big concern is mule deer tend to go to the same places all the time. This is a big change for them; hopefully, they will take hold here,"

Sanpete Chapter SFW Banquet Raises Thousands for Wildlife, Deer Translocation May 26, 2013 Utah, KCSG

... the success of the deer trans-location in central Utah. SFW is providing 100% of the funding for this transplant and is partnered with the Division of Wildlife Resources and BYU to gather data and monitor its success. The outcome has been phenomenal and future transplants are in the works as a result of this study...

<u>Feds considering emergency relocation of endangered deer</u> December 3, 2012 Washington, Longview Daily News

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on Monday proposed moving half of the estimated 100 deer [an endangered species] off their Cathlamet-area refuge to other locations in Cowlitz and Clark counties ... a dike that protects the refuge from the Columbia River could fail ... "We have enough to move the deer. We don't have enough to fix the dike." ... Doug Zimmer, a spokesman for the Wildlife Service ...

Cranbrook: <u>Alternative to current cull</u> February 3, 2012 Canada, Cranbrook Daily Townsman ... it has been my belief the deer should be transported. In 2002 I had the privilege of being part of a crew that translocated 50 elk from Elk Island National Park in Alberta to Cumberland Plateau in Tennessee. This trip was over 3,000 miles, taking 60 hours to complete and we were proud that these elk suffered no ill effects in this transfer. This makes me seriously question the biologists' claim that the mule deer would stress out to a fatal condition on a one hour, 50-mile trip...

Lincoln City, Elk, deer increasingly a part of Lincoln City November 10, 2012 Oregon, Lincoln City News Guard

... not a surprise to biologists with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW). Increasing development and decreasing habitat are forcing the elk and deer out into the open more frequently.... By capturing several lead cows over the years, ODFW was able to alter the patterns of the deer and elk to the golf course ... "We see movement in and out of the city from the north and the west of Highway 101," said Doug Cottam, ODFW biologist. "It doesn't mean they aren't still crossing, but the number has been decreasing and we are monitoring that."

<u>YouTube Video</u>: A brief insight into some of the work carried out by Pied Piper Animal Capture. Specialists in safe, humane live capture and remote treatment of large animals, small animals, domestic livestock and wildlife. - April, 2012

Republic responds to deer problem February 14, 2010 Washington, The Spokesman-Review

... the Colville Confederated Tribes allowed the deer to be released on the reservation's Hellsgate Game Reserve along the Columbia River. That was an important good-neighbor offering, Kujala said, since the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is picky about where deer can be transported... he caught and relocated 54 mule deer and three whitetails in Republic this fall and early winter. "If I had free reign, I probably could get the remaining 40 deer in about a week." ... Kujala was paid \$14,000 to remove 57 deer. However, nearly half the cost was funded by a grant from the Mule Deer Foundation ... [by October, 2013, the city was again wondering what to do with its deer herd]

Animal control in Chicago <u>translocated a doe and fawn</u> from a suburban environment to an open space with no ill effects, many similar examples can be found in the "Deer in the News" sections on this site. In the <u>Toutle River Valley of Washington State</u>, 50 elk were successfully relocated to the Nooksack Valley. Toutle officials there coordinated with two helicopters and volunteers on the ground to herd the animals into a corral and then transport them to other areas.

<u>40 spotted deer relocated for Chennai Metro Rail</u> September 5, 2011 India, IBNLive.com

CHENNAI: ...the Forest Department had translocated 40 spotted deer ... officials claimed that all the 40 were safe in the new environment.... Completing the task in four months ... "Deer have a soft heart and are sensitive. Some even die in fear when taken from one place to another," said S Davidraj, forest range officer.... "We appointed six

people for this to get friendly with the mammal. We kept salt lick near the water spot,In an attempt to trap the mammal, 15 wooden boxes were made and the same grass, wheat and bran were kept inside; the mammal was trapped once it entered the box to eat....All the 40 deer were translocated to the new place in the similar manner. [also done in 1990s near Vandular]...

Efficacy of translocation to control urban deer in Missouri: costs, efficiency, and outcome. (2002) Wildlife Society Bulletin, Vol. 30, No. 3, Autumn, 2002

Abstract: We evaluated the efficacy of translocation to control an urban white-tailed deer ... population in Town and Country (TC), Missouri. Captured deer (n = 80) were fitted with radiotransmitters...Annual survival was 0.30 ... for translocated deer and 0.69 ... for radiomarked resident deer that were not translocated. Mortality causes for the 55 translocated deer that died during the study were hunting (33%), capture myopathy (29%), poaching (13%), unknown causes (11%), roadkill (9%), and wounding from hunting (5%). Mortality causes for the 25 resident deer that died during the study were roadkill (68%), hunting (12%), unknown causes (8%), fences (8%), and wounding from hunting (4%). Post-translocation home range size increased ... and fawn recruitment by translocated adult females was higher ... than for TC resident deer. Cost per translocated deer was \$387....

Survival of Black-Tailed Deer Following Relocation in California (1985), Mary K, O'Bryan and Dale R. McCullough, Journal of Wildlife Management 49(1):115-119 ... At least 275 deer were on Angle Island prior to relocation ... 215 deer captured .. Twelve died before relocation; two due to prexisting diseases, five to physical injuries, two to capture stress, and three to pre-existing poor condition ... Mortality was greatest during the first 2 months following relocation ... The first three know deaths .. all died of malnutrition .. analysis showed these animals were in poor physical condition ... All known causes of later deaths were attributed either to predators (3) or were human related (17). Thirteen of the human-related deaths were car kills. Cause of death of five deer could not be determined... Only 15% of the radio-collared Angel Island deer survived an entire year following relocation... Many relocated deer died because they failed to recognize hazards not encountered on Angle Island ...

A <u>Connecticut guide to deer management</u> cites the study above and concludes: "Survival rates of relocated deer are frequently low. The poor physical condition of deer from an overpopulated range predisposes them to starvation. Trap-and-transfer efforts in California, New Mexico and Florida resulted in losses of 85, 55 and 58 percent, respectively, from 4 to 15 months [p. 15]" The guide references the Texas study above, but does not provide any information about the relative success of that much more recent effort. The California case was an unusual effort to transfer deer from an island into a very different environment.

The Connecticut guide does not report the low mortality rate from the study below, instead summarizes as follows: "A six-year study of translocated deer from the Chicago Metropolitan Area showed a higher annual survival rate of resident adults than for those translocated deer. Deer-vehicle accidents were the largest source of mortality among

the translocated does and presumably resulted from unfamiliarity with the release site (18)" see page 16

<u>Post-translocation survival and movements of metropolitan white-tailed deer</u>. (1990) Jones, J. M. and J.H. Witham. Wildl. Soc. Bull. 18(4):434-441. Here are some of the conclusions of this study:

"Survival of translocated deer ... has been documented in other studies. Direct comparisons of these studies are complicated by differences between sites, methods of translocation, and methods of calculating and reporting survival rates. These data suggest, however, that the survival of translocated deer is contingent upon capture and handling procedures, the nutritional status of the animals, and the presence of decimating factors at the release site including hunters, vehicular traffic, predators, or a combination of these. ... Capture myopathy ... was presumably the cause of 3 (12%, 2 adults and 1 fawn) mortalities among our translocated does within 0.8 km of release site during the first month post-releast." (page 5)

<u>Link to Youtube Video</u> showing relocation of deer during the 1930s at Pisgah National Forest

<u>State's deer restoration is amazing</u> October 19, 2012 Arkansas, Log Cabin Democrat ... In the late 1930s, Arkansas had an estimated 5,000 deer — statewide. That number could be up a little from the mid-1920s when the restoration program began. Or maybe not.... It could not be done today. So many regulations have been added to our daily lives that a couple of fellows with a stake bed truck likely could not trap three or four deer in south Arkansas and move them to northeast Arkansas.