

# Restoring Wolves at Isle Royale

Through years-long advocacy efforts by National Parks Conservation Association, the National Park Service will bring more wolves to Isle Royale National Park, an island in Lake Superior. More wolves will keep the island's rapidly growing moose population in check and improve the overall health of the park landscape.

## 1. The Plan

20-30 wolves over three years, targeting 6-8 wolves per year, to address the population imbalance between predator and prey.

2 vs 1475



## The Numbers

20-30

Wolves to be moved

over a period of

3 years

## 2. The Capture

Will take place optimally between late fall and early winter each year from areas near the park. Researchers use strict guidelines for selecting wolves.



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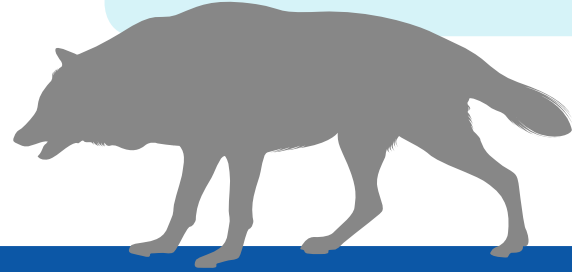
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MALES & FEMALES



1-5 YRS OLD



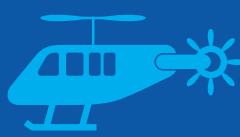
## Challenging Weather

Lake Superior's sometimes severe weather can impact the ability to travel safely to and from the island.



## 3. Transporting

Can be a challenge for an island national park and requires many modes of transportation.



## 4. The Release

Will occur in multiple locations throughout the park.



## Potential Drop Off Points

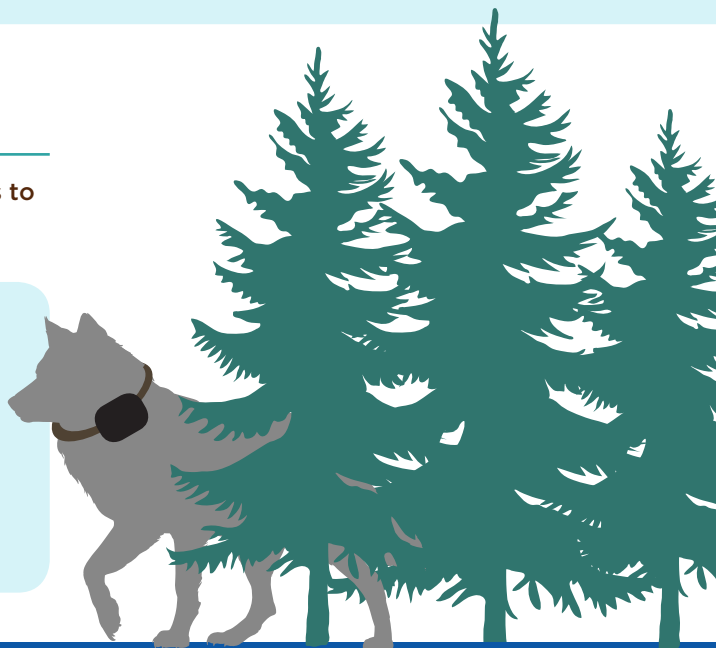
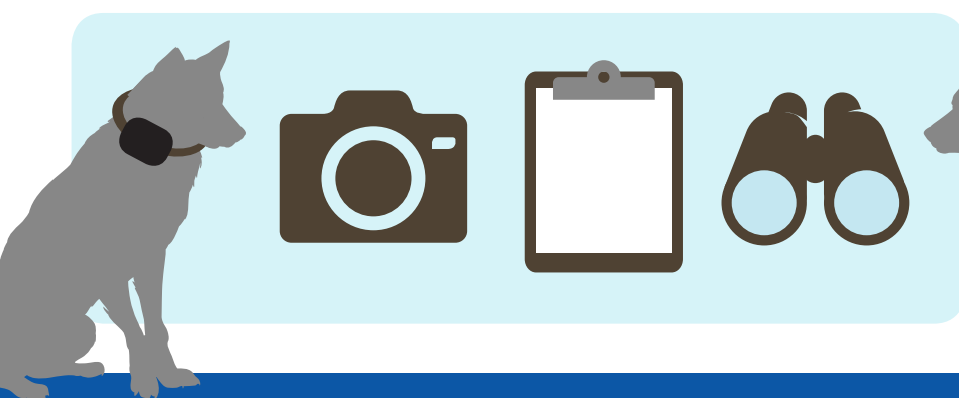
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## 5. Monitoring

The National Park Service will track the wolves and monitor progress to ensure a successful recovery at the park.



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