Special Issue

Mammal Trapping, Wildlife Conservation, and Animal Welfare

Message from the Guest Editor

Mammal trapping is an important aspect of wildlife research and management. During the last few decades, extensive development programs on the humaneness of killing and restraining trapping devices and the pertinence of trapping in conservation programs have been carried out. However, in recent years, new scientific research and reviews question the adequacy of current humane trapping standards, the selectivity of traps, the impact of trapping on biodiversity, the sustainability of wildlife communities, and the use of trapping to resolve recurring human-wildlife conflicts. Mammal trapping may impact on animal welfare and wildlife conservation programs.

Manuscripts that address issues associated with mammal trapping, fur management, pest control, and wildlife conservation are invited for this Special Issue, particularly: (1) assess international standards relative to the humaneness, capture-efficiency, and selectivity of killing and restraining traps and snares; (2) assess the impacts of trapping on the welfare of individuals and the sustainability of wildlife communities; (3) identify and quantify welfare impacts that have not previously been recognized.

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