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SOS: Reintroducing endangered species



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A million species are under the threat of extinction, [scientists say](#).

Since the passage of the Endangered Species Act in 1973, [11 species on that list have been declared extinct in the United States](#).

One tool being used to combat the extinction crisis is species reintroduction — the process of re-establishing a species population in an area they've been driven out of.

[Reintroduction has been successful in the U.S. before, with a variety of species](#). Black-footed ferrets were once among the rarest mammals in the world, with only 18 in existence in 1987. Decades of reintroduction later, about a thousand black-footed ferrets are in the wild today.

But how are decisions around reintroduction made? We'll check in on [the battle over a gray wolf release program in Colorado](#), and answer your reintroduction questions as part of our weeklong biodiversity series — SOS: Save Our Species.

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