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NWRC Research Areas: Information Services Unit

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The NWRC Information Services Unit supports Wildlife Services (WS) employees, stakeholders, and the public by searching for, identifying, and providing current and historical information related to wildlife damage management and WS' mission. It oversees the library, archive, records management, and Web functions for the Center.

Available ISU Services:

- Access to online catalogs – Library and Archives
- Access to digitized items from the Library and Archives – WS Digital Collections site
- Document retrieval
- Interlibrary loan lending (Must be affiliated with a library to request items)

The library and archive facilities are located at NWRC's headquarters campus in Fort Collins, Colorado. Public access is by appointment only during 8:00am to 4:00pm MT, Monday through Friday.

Submit information or in-person access requests to NWRC.Library@usda.gov or call 970-266-6000.

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Library

The NWRC Library provides information resources and research support to WS staff and the public. Resources primarily focus on wildlife damage, wildlife damage management, wildlife diseases, ornithology, mammalogy, veterinary medicine, analytical chemistry, genetics, and ecology. The library maintains several digitized collections and continues to digitize content for users.

Resources include:

Print Collection

Over 7,000 titles on topics relating to wildlife damage management.

- Reference books
- Applied science books
- Conference proceedings
- Theses
- Grey literature (reports, pamphlets, factsheets, technical papers, etc.)

Digital Collections

Research publications and digitized/digital grey literature.

- Recent NWRC Publications – 2025 |2024| 2023| 2022 | 2021 | 2020 | 2019
- NWRC Annual Reports – reports highlighting yearly research spotlights, project accomplishments, awards and publications.
- Wildlife Services Living with Wildlife Activity Sheets – children's activity sheets highlighting certain wildlife species and ways to prevent their damage to natural resources, agriculture or human health and safety.

Archives

The NWRC Archives collects, preserves, and makes available records and materials that document the history of WS. Records include those created by the NWRC, WS, and their predecessors (i.e., Denver Wildlife Research Center (DWRC), Animal Damage Control (ADC), and the Bureau of Biological Survey (BBS)) and date from the late 19th century to the present.

Browse & Search: NWRC Archives Finding Aids

Collection types include:

- **Research records:** Records documenting research and research support units, field stations, and individual scientists. Major areas of research include bird, predator, and rodent control, wildlife disease, and chemical analysis. Example: Bird Damage Unit Records
- **Operational records:** Records created by WS/ADC state offices. Example: ADC Annual Reports Collection
- **Unpublished reports**: Internal research reports authored by NWRC scientists. (Contact archivist for access.)
- **USDA/BBS:** Historic reports and publications reports created by USDA, FWS, and BBS. Example: BBS Field Reports and Maps
- **Images**: Born-digital and analog photographs and slides documenting research and operations. Wildlife Services Image Collection
- The NWRC Archives also creates exhibits, writes history features, and creates other content on NWRC history. To see examples, visit the NWRC History StoryMap or browse the Oral History collection.

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