

Approach to the knowledge of the rural heritage linked to the wolf, under the project LIFE15 GIE/ES/000962

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The present study corresponds to the execution of action A2 of the Life project SOUTHERN WOLVES "The wolf in Andalusia: changing attitudes "(LIFE15 GIE / ES / 000962), which aims to recover the memory of this species in the Sierra Morena area through the knowledge and dissemination of cultural elements that at the time they have had a relationship with the wolf. An inventory that must be understood as a first approach to your knowledge, and focused only on the scope of public forests as being elements of direct management by part of the Ministry of Environment and Territory Planning, beneficiary coordinator of the Life project.

The location of livestock refuges, human habitats and place names with express reference to the wolf, has been completed with the registration of oral testimonies of people who have had the chance to live with the wolf when he still had a healthy population in Sierra Morena. In total 22 interviews that have tried to cover the entire territory in which the project is developed, and which have been recorded on video so they can be available in a repository, such as the website of the project, so that in this way they can be shared

and visualized by interested people, but above all to remain registered as testimonies of great cultural value. This is perhaps the best way to avoid the enormous knowledge that people who have lived in contact with nature is lost forever.

In the set of actions of the Life project, this inventory is raises as a preparatory action, that is, that has a prior character so that later it can develop in some way, and that expected manner is the signaling of a couple of inventoried elements that will be included in different interpretive routes, so that they leave in the territory a simple infrastructure that can be used in nature tourism initiatives. It is one of the contributions that has the project so that the wolf can somehow become in an asset or value for the territory.

All the information generated in the conduct of this study has been also organized in a database for being a format that allows to store and organize all the information analyzed, and at the same time to make as many inquiries as possible to exploit and take out the greatest possible match to the work done.









