

WRNC Emergency Disaster Fund

1. Funds shall be primarily used for expenses associated with the need to transport wildlife both from rehabilitators / centers in areas hit by natural disasters, for rehabilitation and to then return rehabilitated wildlife back to their original geographic area for release. Funds will also be used to assist in offsetting the burden of increased costs of formula and supplies to rehabbers / centers willing to take on the care of these displaced animals.

- a. Fuel costs associated with transport**
- b. Costs of transport cardboard crates if necessary.**
- c. Costs of formula / supplies generated by displaced animals.**

2. Funds shall not be used to rebuild caging, replace supplies damaged or lost by disaster, as these should be covered by center's or rehabilitator's insurance.

3. Provide assistance / logistics in determining what rehabbers were affected and help find other rehabbers willing to take in animals displaced. This assistance gives the affected rehabilitators a chance to deal with rebuilding / reorganizing their lives.

- a. Attempt contact with rehabilitators in disaster areas to see if assistance placing animals is needed.**
- b. Attempt to find foster rehabilitators to take animals.**

4. It's impossible to pre-determine every possible need that may arise and warrant assistance in a disaster, therefore the committee will have at it's discretion the ability to vote on whether to provide assistance or not on a case by case basis for any need that might arise, but does not meet the above criteria.

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