NAVAJO NATION ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM
CRITICAL ISSUES:

• 65% of complaints & investigations involve NHA housing tenants (bite cases, livestock damage, pet abandonment, neglect and vicious animal investigations)

• NNACP Community Enforcement Sweeps are primarily for NHA field management sites

• Threat of rabies in wildlife & roaming dogs issues compound situation

• Roaming dogs spreading ticks increases threat of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever (RMSF) if ticks infected with the bacteria, spread diseases common to dogs within communities, and spread intestinal parasites where ever they defecate.
The purpose of the Animal Control Program is to enforce the animal control laws established by the Navajo Nation Council:
• to protect the health, safety and property of people and animals
• address responsible pet ownership, over population, disease and neglect of animals through education
• promote foster programs
• spay and neuter clinics
• animal adoption programs through the public, other agencies and organizations in the spirit of cooperation and for the benefit of present and future generations.
Navajo Nation Animal Control Program
PO Box 1480
Window Rock, AZ 86515
www.nndfw.org
Animal Control Program

Shiprock Shelter
(505) 368-1235

Many Farms Shelter
(928) 781-4380

Tuba City Shelter
(928) 283-3089

Ft Defiance Shelter
(928) 729-4023

Crownpoint Shelter
Check with chapter
CENTRAL AGENCY

Many Farms Shelter
(928) 781-4380

- George Skeet, Animal Control Officer
- Tamara Begay, Kennel Officer
FT. DEFIANCE AGENCY

Ft. Defiance Shelter
(928) 729-4023

• Vincent Tsosie, Animal Control Officer
• Brent Sutton, Kennel Officer
• Joe Begay Jr, Senior Animal Control Officer
NORTHERN AGENCY
SHELTER

Shiprock Shelter
(505) 368-1235

• Stacey Daw, Senior Animal Control Officer
• Connie James-Kady, Kennel Officer
Tuba City Shelter
(928) 283-3089
• Vacant, Kennel Officer
• Gregory Pahe, Animal Control Officer – Kayenta area
EASTERN AGENCY

Crownpoint Shelter
- Patrick Leo, Animal Control Officer
- Vacant, Kennel Officer
October 29, 2019 – Ground breaking for the new model design build agency animal shelter for the Eastern Agency
WHAT DO WE DO?
INVESTIGATE ANIMAL BITE CASES
18 YEAR OLD VICTIM - ATTACKED BY 2 DOGS
3 YEAR OLD VICTIM
MORE BITE CASES INVESTIGATED
76 YEAR OLD VICTIM - ATTACKED BY 7 DOGS
CRIME SCENE OF 76 YEAR OLD VICTIM WAS ATTACKED IN OPEN FIELD
INVESTIGATE LIVESTOCK DAMAGE
TOO MANY DOGS AT RESIDENCE
IT’S NOT A DOG PROBLEM;
IT’S A PEOPLE PROBLEM
ANIMAL HOARDING
ABANDON RV WITH 12 DOGS
ANIMALS REMOVED – HOARDING CASE
TODAY, AC PROGRAM STILL CONTINUE TO ENFORCE THE ANIMAL CONTROL LAWS
PARTICIPATING IN THE YEARLY FREE RABIES CLINICS CONDUCTED BY THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
TRAPPING FOR WILD/FERAL ANIMALS
PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO OTHER PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE NAVAJO VETERINARY CLINICS AND NHA SITES
COMMUNITY ENFORCEMENT
ANIMAL SWEEPS
IMPROVING WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH COMMUNITIES..................................
“COLLAR, LICENSE, VACCINATE & CONFINE”

NAVAJO NATION ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM

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PETS SHOULD HAVE COLLARS
RESPONSIBLE PET OWNERS PLACE COLLARS ON THEIR PETS

- Demonstrate to others that the animal is owned
- Without collars - Are assumed to be unowned
- A stray animal

These dogs are considered stray animals. They do not have collars and will be picked up by the Animal Control Staff. Unowned animals are impounded and humanely euthanased.
LICENSE YOUR PETS
NAVADO NATION
ANIMAL LICENSE

- Pets are REQUIRED to be licensed & microchipped
- Beginning 2017 Animal Licenses are available at agency shelters
  - Each 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month
- Animal license is placed on the collar
  - Needs to be visible
- The NN Animal License is also the rabies tag
  - All pets three (3) months and older are vaccinated for rabies
- Animal Licenses are good for one year
  - Expire December 31 each year
- It is the responsibility of animal owners to license and vaccinate pet each year
VACCINATE TO PREVENT DISEASE
VACCINATE TO KEEP YOUR PET HEALTHY — PREVENT DISEASE

- Agency animal shelters will provide vaccinations — Each 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month
- Vaccinations prevent common diseases of pets (Dogs & Cats)
- Receive the rabies and distemper COMBO vaccine and get a free deworming for your pet
  - An oral deworming decreases internal parasites
CONFINE YOUR ANIMALS – STOP ROAMING ANIMALS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITIES
CONFINE YOUR ANIMALS

• All pet owners are required to keep their animals confined and restrained at home at all times
• Requires some type of containment
  • Fence
  • Run line
  • On a chain
• Adequate care while under restraint of owner
  • Good food
  • Clean water
  • Shelter
  • Exercise
  • Veterinary care

DO NOT ALLOW YOUR DOG TO ROAM
The purpose of the newly amended Navajo Nation Animal Ordinance is to communicate to Navajo Nation dog and cat owners that they are responsible for their pets.
NEW ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE REQUIRES THAT ALL PETS ARE REGISTERED AND ARE MICROCHIPPED

THE ANIMAL CONTROL PROGRAM LAUNCHED WITH THE HELP OF LEGISLATIVE KITTY “FURBALL” A FREE MICROCHIP CAMPAIGN FOR ALL PET OWNERS THAT PURCHASE A NAVAJO NATION LICENSE FOR THEIR PET BETWEEN OCTOBER 30, 2018 TO APRIL 30, 2019 WILL RECEIVE A FREE MICROCHIP
Navajo Nation pet owners are urged to Collar, License, Vaccinate & Confine their pets

- Pets require microchip and a NN Animal License
- Learn what is “adequate care” for your pet
- Vaccinate for diseases common to dogs and cats annually
- Visit on of our agency shelters every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month (Animal Surrender, Licensing & Vaccinations Available)

- PLEASE do not abandon your animals
- “Be a responsible pet owner”

NEW DNR Central Dispatch will handle all Animal Control SERVICE REQUESTS call (928) 871-6491
PROACTIVE ACTIONS & COMMON GOALS

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Provide adequate care for all your pets
2. All pets are to be licensed and microchipped
3. All pets are to be vaccinated & dewormed to prevent diseases and decrease parasites
4. No vicious animals are allowed on the Navajo Nation including NHA housing sites
5. Animals are to be confined & not allowed to roam
6. NNACP accepts animal surrenders every 1st & 3rd Tuesday each month

PLEASE NOTE:
§ 1702 Limit of four pets & recognition of housing lease agreement on number of pets per household
§ 1707 Dogs killing, injuring or chasing livestock, equine, poultry or pets; liability of dog owner