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Alert Regarding Fires around LA City

Los Angeles: The Wildlife Division of LA Animal Services reminds the public that the fires burning in the areas bordering the City of Los Angeles will have a negative impact on wildlife habitats. Many animals that are driven out by fire may appear more frequently around homes.

We ask the public to exercise caution when seeing wild animals as they may be frightened, distressed or injured. Some of these animals may have suffered burns from the fire and some may have a condition known as Mange which leaves open sores and bald patches that resemble burns. Please be patient with displaced animals as they will need to feel a sense of safety before moving on or returning to areas that have been burned.

Pets that are normally kept outside should be kept indoors to avoid conflict with wildlife and also to protect them from the particulate matter in the air caused by the smoke from the fire. Should wild animal appear sick, injured or distressed please do not approach the animal; instead call 888-452-7381 for assistance.

For more information or assistance call LA Animal Services at
1-888-452LA-PET1/1-888-452-7381
(TTY Hearing impaired: 877-875-8205) or visit the website at www.LAAnimalServices.com.

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