

## Media Report for Friday, July 16, 2021

### Awaiting MO/HQ Approval

None.

### Today's request

**Pratyush Dayal, Vancouver Sun** – Reporter seeking update on coyote situation in Stanley Park and asking - Does B.C. Conservation Officer Service have any estimate on the number of coyotes in the park? If so, how many? How many coyotes is BCCOS planning to euthanize after four were culled yesterday? How are the animals euthanized after they're captured using soft foot traps?

Provided statement from COS and Sgt. Simon Gravel responded:

"No additional coyotes have been capture in the last 24 hours. Conservation Officers will continue to monitor Stanley Park and respond to coyote reports as necessary. There may still be aggressive coyotes in the park and we encourage the public to remain vigilant and take precautions. Safety tips can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/2fpx78nu>

"Conservation Officer Services continues to work with park rangers, area organizations the municipality and wildlife biologists on a long-term strategy to address and reduce coyote conflicts. Please report any aggressive coyote encounters to the RAPP line at 1-877-952-7277."

**Jason Hallman, CTV Vancouver Island** – From reporter: We're talking to a man from East Sooke who says he's spotted a crocodile exiting the water on to his property. Has a report been made to conservation? And Is Scott Norris available to talk with us about this?

COS has received no reports on this. Members of the public are advised to call the RAPP line if there are any sightings.

**Tim Van der Krogt, Revelstoke Review** - From reporter: I've heard rumour of bc parks staff being reallocated to fight fire, in particular trail maintenance crews, are you able to confirm this for me?

Provided statement from BC Parks:

"BC Parks is providing frontline support to manage wildfire emergencies in protected areas across the province. BC Parks staff are being re-deployed to other BC Parks regions currently affected by wildfires to ensure the continued safety of visitors to parks, and our staff. Where resources allow, BC Parks staff may be deployed to assist in broader provincial wildfire efforts. BC Parks took a similar approach with staff resources in the 2017 and 2018 wildfire seasons."

### Previous requests completed

**Jeremy Nuttall, Toronto Star** – From reporter: 1.The number of attacks in the last year vs. what it usually is (don't need hard numbers for the latter if it's hard to get) 2. What the strategy is to deal with them. I understand four were taken out the other day. How many total? 3. How many coyotes are

thought to live in the park overall? 4. Is a full cull a possibility? How would such a decision be made? 5. How are the animals destroyed?

Sgt. Simon Gravel responded.

**Tim Van der Kragt, Revelstoke Review** - Reporter wants to know where the 14 existing air quality monitors are located across the province. What equipment is used to monitor the air quality and calculate the AQHI? The Revelstoke community has crowdfunded and installed purple air monitors, what is the accuracy of these monitors?

Sr. Air Quality Meteorologist Donna Haga responded.

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### Reporter

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[jnuttall@thestar.ca](mailto:jnuttall@thestar.ca)  
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### Deadline **ASAP**

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3. How many coyotes are thought to live in the park overall?

- The COS estimates XYZ coyotes remain in the park.

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- The COS works with the Vancouver Park Board, area organizations, the municipality and wildlife biologists to consider all options for addressing and reducing coyote conflicts in the park.
- The role of the COS in this case is to remove coyotes that through food conditioning have lost their fear of humans and that are a threat to public safety.

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- In the event that an animal is a danger to public safety and needs to be euthanized, the COS does so using the most humane means possible. In this case, the most humane option is by firearm.

Copying Jeannine here, too.

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Cheers,

Danielle

No additional coyotes have been captured in the last 24hrs.

Conservation Officers will continue to monitor Stanley Park and respond to coyote reports as necessary.

There may still be aggressive coyotes in the park and we encourage the public to remain vigilant and take precautions.

Safety tips can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/2fpx78nu>

The Conservation Officer Service continues to work with park rangers, area organizations the municipality and wildlife biologists on a long-term strategy to address and reduce coyote conflicts.

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Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Danielle

Public safety for visitors to Stanley Park is our top priority.

Four coyotes in Stanley Park were euthanized by Conservation Officers overnight and this morning.

One of the coyotes was captured in very close proximity to the site of the recent attack.

We recognize multiple coyotes are involved in ongoing incidents at Stanley Park.

Conservation Officers will continue to monitor Stanley Park as further actions are assessed.

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Public safety for visitors to Stanley Park is our top priority.

Four coyotes in Stanley Park were euthanized by Conservation Officers overnight and this morning.

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The below has been approved by Doug.

Please advise approved on your end and MO aware.

I can then also share with parks as per yesterday – they would be the ones to announce if park re-opening.

Thanks!

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Conservation Officers will continue to monitor Stanley Park and respond to coyote reports as necessary.

There may still be aggressive coyotes in the park and we encourage the public to remain vigilant and take precautions.

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<https://www.citynews1130.com/2021/07/14/stanley-park-coyote-attacks-closed/>

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Hey,

I would point him towards the academics. Not a lot of interest over here to get involved. Including David and Glen to confirm, but I'm not sure we want our ministry in this story.

Thanks!

Tyler.

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Would you like me to take part in this or do we have a rep?

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Hello Mike

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**Here are the show details:**

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Cell: YOUR NUMBER

Backup: 604-669-3733-Studio

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Andrew, this might not be best handled by COS. I've forwarded to DCCO Schley to sort out.

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Apparently pulled forward from yesterday's scrum.

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So did the conservation officer actually say that? The quotes lead me to believe that he did....

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Just monitoring Twitter. This one is off the mark. We will follow-up with COS

“If you choose to use the park. It would be at your own risk. It’s impossible for us to protect the public from such a coyote attack. They are everywhere right now, the attacks are random in time and location. It is a very difficult situation to address. It’s unprecedented,” he says.

“We cannot close the park for logistical reasons it would be very, very complicated. But if you’re not willing to expose yourself to such an encounter, you should avoid the park.”

<https://www.citynews1130.com/2021/07/14/stanley-park-coyote-attacks-closed/>

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Thanks. Looping in Alyssa for adding to calendar.

Sent from my iPhone

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Will double-check and confirm with you but fairly sure it's audio only.

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MGH good for 12:50. Can you confirm if it's audio only?

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On Jul 15, 2021, at 10:58 AM, Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Thanks. We are trying to sort it out with calendars but either PS or MGH will do it. Hang tight for confirmation on timing - it will likely be closer to 1 pm.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 15, 2021, at 10:57 AM, Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX <[Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi both,

Reporter let me know that time window could stretch to 2:00 if needed.

**From:** Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX

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Kelly, Reamick:

This one is tight but any chance either MGH or PSKG can do this one today b/w 11-1?

## Reporter

Raji Sohal, Producer  
CKNW AM 980  
[raji@cknw.com](mailto:raji@cknw.com)  
604-446-1313

**Deadline** ASAP

## Request

Reporter seeking either Min. Heyman of Parl. Sec. Greene to speak to the recent BC Parks land acquisitions announcement. Interview will be pre-recorded via Zoom today for 4 – 8 minutes and aired tomorrow on the Simi Sara show.

Availability is anytime from 11am – 1pm.

## Recommendation

Hi Danielle;

Thanks for all the good work on pulling together messaging and coordinating with Parks Board. Media looks good by and large. I understand what Simon is offering here <sup>s.22</sup>

s.22

“It’s impossible to protect the public”. Also good for us to stick with messaging on closures.

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<https://www.citynews1130.com/2021/07/14/stanley-park-coyote-attacks-closed/>

**Paul Corns | Director of Communications** (he, him)  
Government Communications and Public Engagement  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
Office: 778 974-2011 Mobile: 250 882-6572

*I am grateful to the Lekwungen people on whose traditional territory I live and work and the Songhees, Esquimalt and WSÁNEĆ peoples whose historic relationships with the land and sea continues to this day.*

General summary bullets of scrum – question of closure didn't come up as expected but some lines below.

- Every party is working together to protect public safety and resolve a complicated situation as quickly as possible – that includes COS, Vancouver Parks Board, the Wildlife Branch and others.
- Everyone is engaged and working towards the same goal. A Coyote Task Force was created months ago with all parties to work to address the situation.
- Role of COS is not to do population control or a cull. They are there to remove coyotes that are a threat to public safety and that is what they're doing.
- Large parts of park are closed with traps set (soft foot-hold traps, which are a human alternative to other methods). Trails west of the Stanley Park causeway and north of Lost Lagoon remain closed.

- COS is confident existing closure is sufficient for them to operate - full closure not needed.
- COS patrols are still ongoing and officers are committed to be there until tomorrow morning.

These outlets couldn't make the scrum and had similar Q – is my response line correct/good to use?

Alternative to having CO call them each.

#### **Reporter**

Alan Regan, Producer  
CKNW AM 980  
[alan@cknw.com](mailto:alan@cknw.com)  
604-331-2770 c: 778-957-1233

**Deadline** Thursday, July 15, 2021 1:30 PM

#### **Reporter**

Elana Shepert, Reporter  
Vancouver Is Awesome  
[elana@vancouverisawesome.com](mailto:elana@vancouverisawesome.com)  
604-439-2686

#### **Request from CKNW:**

From reporter:

We're interested to get some more details on yesterday's efforts to track down the coyotes who likely have been attacking people in recent months. I understand at least four have been euthanized – can you let me know how they were located and which traps were used?

Aiming to get details by 1:30pm if possible

#### **Request from VIA:**

What traps were used (if any were) to capture the coyotes that were euthanized in Stanley Park today. If not, what was used to euthanize them?

#### **Recommendation**

Statement via COS:



“The four coyotes were trapped by the COS using a number of soft-foot hold traps set up near the site of the attack. Soft-foot hold traps are a more humane alternative to other methods of capture. Coyotes were euthanized by ... [COS – can you fill in?]. Conservation Officers will continue to monitor Stanley Park as further actions are assessed

COS closed some areas of the park off to deal with the coyotes and those areas are still closed to my knowledge.

I don't have a list but have asked COS for it. Will update.

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The only park closures I am aware of are wildfire closures <https://bcparks.ca/wildfire/> . Andrew Is there a reason COS would be conflating these two disparate topics?

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Just spoke with Sgt and can convey anything additional to this, but he's aligned with same framing and will ensure he's coordinated with Parks people beforehand.

They'll ask public to respect current park closures that they've organized with Parks Board.

The trapping operation is still ongoing and they're continuing to monitor the situation.

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Agree that makes sense. I prefer the framing around taking precautions/being aware better than being so explicit/directive in recommending not to visit.

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Makes sense. I too would prefer Parks Board own that message.

What else is COS saying about plans for trapping and removal?

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We recommend Parks Board address issues of access. COS can talk about people need to be aware of the risk and take precautions as they would if they hiking anywhere wildlife is present. For some people that may mean not visiting the park at the present time. Good?

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I'm good with this approach generally - do we know what they're going to say if asked "is it safe to visit the park? Are you telling people not to visit?"

On Jul 15, 2021, at 10:08 AM, Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX <[Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Kelly, Alissa:

Wanted to make sure you're looped in on media approach for coyotes update – current plan is to have Sgt. Gravel and Vancouver Park Board rep available for questions at 11:30 today at the Aquarium.

Let us know if good by you. Have about four requests on it currently.

Thanks,

Andrew

Todd, Simon:

Is there a list of areas in the park closed that we have handy and can refer people to?

AP

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Sounds good!

Can we do 11:30 next to aquarium

Simon

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I will let Simon take these on. Suggest a meet up to provide update and record to provide anyone that missed it.

Acting Inspector

South Coast Region

Sgt. Todd Hunter

Conservation Officer Service

Fraser North Zone

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Simon, Todd:

Two reporters seeking CO to connect on coyotes.

**Reporter**

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CBC - Vancouver  
[eva.uguen-csenge@cbc.ca](mailto:eva.uguen-csenge@cbc.ca)  
604-662-6213 c: 416-270-1399

Monika Gul

Reporter

News 1130

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604-877-4400

**Deadline** ASAP

**Request**

Reporters seeking CO to speak to recent euthanization of coyotes in Stanley Park

**Recommendation**

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If CP comes back asking about their original question about public advice on visiting Stanley Park, can we say something like:

"Public safety is the top priority of the COS. At this time we are advising the members of the public to avoid the park if possible or use at their own risk. Questions related to any potential closure of Stanley Park should be directed to the Vancouver Parks Board."

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Is there any official statement about this? Has the park been officially closed by the CO service?

Anything you can do to point me in the right direction would be wonderful!

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today Paul so if you can reach her just give me a call.

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On Jul 15, 2021, at 7:55 AM, Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Thanks Kevin. We will work with Danielle to revise the messaging. Since the mayor of Van has entered the public discussion we will continue to coordinate with the Parks Board on messaging as well.

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**From:** Jardine, Kevin ENV:EX <[Kevin.Jardine@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kevin.Jardine@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** July 15, 2021 7:46 AM

**To:** Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: SP Coyotes

FYI.... Perhaps connect with Doug to pull together KMs for MGH.

Best,

K.

s.15

(txt & talk)

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Schley, Cam D ENV:EX" <[Cameron.Schley@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Cameron.Schley@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** July 15, 2021 at 7:15:41 AM PDT  
**To:** "Standen, Jim ENV:EX" <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>, "Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX" <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>, "Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX" <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>, "Jardine, Kevin ENV:EX" <[Kevin.Jardine@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kevin.Jardine@gov.bc.ca)>, "Sather, Kelly ENV:EX" <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: SP Coyotes

Good morning,

4 coyotes were trapped and euthanized in Stanley Park by CO's overnight and this morning. One of the coyotes was caught in very close proximity to the most recent attack site. CO's will be reassessing what further actions may be required and will then go from there today in regards to on the ground work in the park. I'll advise what those plans are once they are made. The 4 coyotes will be taken to the Abbotsford Animal Health Lab for analysis.

Cam

A/Deputy Chief CO Provincial Operations  
Conservation Officer Service

On Jul 14, 2021, at 3:58 PM, Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Thank you Danielle. As noted in the update things are fluid so please ensure that this group is kept updated with respect to any new developments or changes in approach.

Thanks

Jim

**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>

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**Cc:** Schley, Cam D ENV:EX <[Cameron.Schley@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Cameron.Schley@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** SP Coyotes

As requested, please see below info bullets and advise if further information is required.

GCPE continues to be engaged throughout these incidents.

Thanks,  
Danielle

- Conservation Officers patrolled Stanley Park last night, today and will continue to have a presence in the park this week
- Three COs will patrol the park until at least Friday to respond quickly to any incidents
- Conflict coyotes will be trapped and euthanized where appropriate
- The COS has spent more than 100 hours on patrols/response efforts so far
- The COS is continuing efforts to coordinate with the Vancouver Park Board, area organizations, the municipality and wildlife biologists to address and mitigate coyote conflicts, which includes considering all options, such as a cull
- Short and long-term strategies to mitigate coyote conflicts are being led by FLNRORD
- To date, the COS has euthanized two coyotes
- COs have and continue to respond to reports and patrol park areas as part of ongoing efforts to locate and euthanize offending coyote(s)
- In several cases, park areas and surrounding trails were immediately closed
- There is extensive signage in the park and a public outreach and education campaign around coyotes is continuing



- The COS continues to warn the public to consider alternative locations to Stanley Park and to use abundant caution if using the park
- Plans are fluid and can change quickly depending on what officers find in the field

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Mayor's comments at around 18 min mark.

<https://twitter.com/kennedystewart/status/1415400552750481408?s=20>

Essentially, commits to coordinated approach following a report from the City Manager tomorrow.

Relying on expert advice and putting the resources towards protecting people.

Wildlife pop is FLNRORD domain but we do believe there are multiple coyotes involved in the incidents.

The COS is leading the response to this specific incident and a long term strategy is being led by FLNRORD.

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**Subject:** RE: FYI Coyote Speaking Points

Thanks Danielle.

What is the total # of coyotes in the park?

Will you cull the entire pack ,if not why not?

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**Importance:** High

Approved by Doug, thanks.

COS Sgt. Simon Gravel has been media point person on this since day one so is very familiar with this.

Thanks

Thanks.

**From:** "Corns, Paul GCPE:EX" <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>

**Date:** Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 8:25 PM

**To:** "Harris, Megan GCPE:EX" <[Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Alissa Brandt <[Alissa.Brandt@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Alissa.Brandt@gov.bc.ca)>, "Sather, Kelly ENV:EX" <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>, "Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX" <[Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca)>, "Haslam, David GCPE:EX" <[David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: FYI Coyotes

Conservation Officer Service social media.

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On Jul 13, 2021, at 8:23 PM, Harris, Megan GCPE:EX <[Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Sorry, what is "COS SoMe"?

**From:** "Corns, Paul GCPE:EX" <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>

**Date:** Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 8:06 PM

**To:** "Harris, Megan GCPE:EX" <[Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Megan.Harris@gov.bc.ca)>, Alissa Brandt <[Alissa.Brandt@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Alissa.Brandt@gov.bc.ca)>, "Sather, Kelly ENV:EX" <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>

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Statement posted to COS SoMe. Working to coordinate media response.

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Send to acting Insp. Todd Hunter to delegate please

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Thanks, Danielle - what's the plan for media calls?

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FYI this has been posted to social media.

Thanks

The COS is investigating after a two-year-old girl was attacked by a coyote in Stanley Park last night.

At approx. 9: 30 p.m. on Monday, a group of adults and children were walking from the parking lot near the aquarium when a coyote suddenly jumped on the child. Her father intervened and the coyote left the area. The child suffered injuries and was treated in hospital.

The public is asked to use abundant caution in Stanley Park, as there is a high risk of encountering an aggressive coyote.

The COS only became aware of this incident this afternoon.

Conservation Officers will be patrolling Stanley Park and will continue to have a presence in the park over the next several days to help ensure public safety.

We understand the public is concerned about these incidents. The COS has euthanized two coyotes and is working to locate and euthanize the coyote involved in this attack.

Conservation Officers believe multiple coyotes are involved in incidents in Stanley Park and are continuing efforts with park rangers, area organizations, the municipality and wildlife biologists to address and reduce coyote conflicts.

Please report any aggressive coyote encounters to the RAPP line at 1-877-952-7277.

Safety tips can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/2fpx78nu>

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- We recognize and understand the public is concerned about these incidents.
- We are also concerned about the behaviour of coyotes in Stanley Park.
- No one wants to see anyone injured by a coyote, especially a child, and we are thankful she is recovering.
- The COS is patrolling the park today and will continue to have a presence in the park over the next several days to help ensure public safety.
- We are continuing efforts to coordinate with the Vancouver Park Board, area organizations, the municipality and wildlife biologists to address and mitigate coyote conflicts.
- To date, the COS has euthanized two coyotes and other coyotes believed to be responsible for these incidents will be euthanized if located.
- We are again asking the public to use abundant caution if you are in Stanley Park, as there is a high risk of encountering an aggressive coyote.
- We believe the aggressive behaviour towards people shown by the coyotes may be the result of the animals being fed – either directly or indirectly – by people. We cannot

stress enough the importance of not feeding dangerous wildlife, as coyotes that have lost their fear of humans are a public safety risk.

- The public is asked to please report any aggressive coyote behaviour to the RAPP line.

***Why did it take a child to be injured for the COS to take action? Wasn't this preventable?***

- The COS is continuing ongoing efforts to address and reduce coyote conflicts in the park.
- These efforts include working with the Vancouver Park Board, area organizations, the municipality and wildlife biologists to consider all options for addressing and reducing coyote conflicts in the park.
- We believe multiple coyotes are involved in incidents in the park and their behaviour may have escalated due to being fed by people.
- To date, COs have spent more than 100 hours patrolling Stanley Park.

***What has been done to mitigate public safety?***

- Conservation Officers have and continue to respond to reports and patrol park areas as part of ongoing efforts to locate and euthanize offending coyote(s).
- In several cases, park areas and surrounding trails were immediately closed.
- There is extensive signage in the park and a public outreach and education campaign around coyotes is continuing.
- The COS continues to warn the public to consider alternative locations to Stanley Park and to use abundant caution if using the park.

***Why does the COS think this is happening?***

- It is not normal behaviour for coyotes to pursue people.
- Aggressive behaviour towards people is usually the result of the animal becoming comfortable due to being fed, either directly or indirectly by people.
- COs believe there are multiple coyotes involved in the incidents at Stanley Park.

***How many coyote attacks have there been?***

- Since December 2020, there have been 31 reported coyote attacks.