



# Wildlife News

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**HEADS UP  
DEER  
IN RUT**



**OCT. - JAN.**

- Deer breeding season (RUT) runs from October through January
- Dawn and dusk are the times you are most likely to encounter deer along the roadside.
- Deer almost never travel alone. If you see one deer dart across the road, plan on braking as others may follow.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Photo Contest Winners!

Start Snapping Pictures NOW for Our 2019 Contest!



**WEC  
Photo Contest  
Winner**

**2<sup>nd</sup>**

Photo by:  
Al Koppen



**WEC  
Photo Contest  
Winner**

**1<sup>st</sup>**

Photo by:  
Skip Shumpes



**WEC  
Photo Contest  
Winner**

**3<sup>rd</sup>**

Photo by:  
Brent Holmes

## The Wildside of FOR

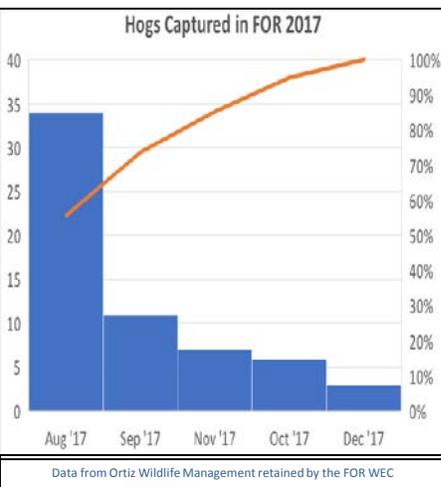
Where You Find Answers to Your Questions

### Are Feral Hogs Moving in to FOR?

The WEC has been monitoring feral hog activity in the city, particularly in the new development area, and we were trapping for a while in late 2017. As demonstrated by the chart, the yield dropped considerably, particularly after a culling on Camp Bullis. So while there are a few around, and likely being displaced by development, the numbers are very small so far and have not been significantly encroaching into FOR.

Hogs will typically run away if encountered, but make sure you (or your dog) do not corner them, as then they can become defensive. Give them an exit route, and they will take it. Reports from citizens are very important, so we can determine future monitoring activities and any need for trapping. If you see any hog activity please call the city or email

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## Close Encounters of the Wild Kind

Pictures From FOR Residents and Stories of the Wildlife around us!

The City is home to any number of venomous and non-venomous snakes and insects native to Texas. Since education is key to injury prevention, please make yourself familiar with these forms of wildlife and avoid direct contact/interaction. Even non-venomous bites or stings may be painful and can cause infections or other health issues.



CORAL SNAKE  
"Red touch yellow, kill a fellow; red touch black, friend of Jack"



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CENTIPEDE

Submit your questions, photos and fun stories of Wildlife in FOR to [wec@fairoaksranchtx.org](mailto:wec@fairoaksranchtx.org)