WILDLIFE IN LINCOLN (Urban Coyotes)

Lincoln Animal Control has received reports of coyotes in the Holmes Lake Park area and in areas south and east of Holmes Lake and Rickman’s dog run. Animal Control continues to patrol the Holmes Lake Park and surrounding areas. Animal Control will investigate calls where there is a threat to the safety of the public. Lincoln Animal Control has received no reports of aggressive coyotes.

Tips on what to do around coyotes:

The urban coyotes in Lincoln have become more acclimated to people and pets. Most all of them are just curious and therefore may not be as fearful.

- Make loud noises, carry a walking stick, blow a whistle, clap your hands
- Presence of a coyote does not automatically mean it’s a threat
- Report aggressive coyotes to Lincoln Animal Control at 402-441-7900

What to do with your pets:

- Keep your pet confined to your yard
- Stay with small pets while outside.
- Avoid letting pets out at night/dawn/dusk especially unattended
- Keep your pet on a leash or under your complete control while on walks

Coyotes are more likely to stay around if they have a food source. The open areas in Lincoln and especially around the Holmes Lake area provide good habitat for the prey that coyotes hunt.

- Coyotes generally feed on rabbits, rodents, fruits, insects
- Do NOT feed coyotes or other wildlife