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## DPNR ANNOUNCES END OF SNAKE BOUNTY PROGRAM FOR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR

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Commissioner Jean-Pierre L. Oriol of the Department of Planning and Natural Resources is announcing that the Division of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) congratulates all certified wildlife control operators for the impressive cull of snakes this year.

“Due to the overwhelming participation in the program, we are closing the snake bounty for the remainder of this fiscal year. Effective immediately, no new bounties will be issued for snake submissions, but all submissions to-date will be honored. We thank all those who supported your community by participating in the program” said Commissioner Oriol.

The snake bounty program was one of many successful tools available to assist the public during their interactions with wildlife. DPNR remains committed to managing invasive species.

“We encourage interested individuals to become certified wildlife control operators. These operators play a crucial role in maintaining ecological balance between the public and wildlife, safeguarding our native wildlife in a rapidly changing world,” said Nicole Angeli, Ph.D., Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife.

For more information on becoming a wildlife control operator or to learn about other conservation initiatives, call the Division of Fish and Wildlife at (340) 773-1082.