**Florida Panther Recovery Implementation Team Workshop –
Estimating Florida Panther Population Size
October 28, 2014;
10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

University of Florida IFAS Collier County Extension Office – Naples, FL
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The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Florida Panther Recovery Implementation Team is conducting a public workshop on estimating Florida panther numbers and population density. The workshop will be held on October 28, from 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM, at the University of Florida IFAS Extension Office in Collier County, 14700 Immokalee Road, Naples, FL.

The purpose of this workshop is to present the latest information on how panthers are counted to derive an estimate of the population numbers, to discuss the techniques that are being used to estimate panther density on public lands, and to present a new proposal to estimate panther density on private lands.

The workshop will be informational, but will also provide an opportunity for interactive discussion with the public on the topic of estimating the size of the Florida panther population.

The meeting is free and open to the public. No RSVP is necessary. However, seating will be limited and provided on a first-come, first-seated basis. Here's the planned agenda:

10:00 AM   Welcome – Larry Williams (USFWS)

            How to Count Panthers – Roy McBride (Rancher's Supply)

            Using Count Data to Provide Panther Population Numbers – Darrell Land
            (Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission - FWC)

12:00 PM   Lunch (limited availability of restaurants – might want to bring your own)

1:30 PM   Using Road Kill Data to Provide a Panther Population Estimate with Statistical
            Confidence – Dave Onorato (FWC)

            Monitoring the Florida Panther Population with Remote Cameras: Past
            Applications and Current Approaches – David Shindle (Conservancy of
            Southwest FL)

            Current Studies: Addition Lands – Dave Onorato (FWC)

            Assessing Panther Densities on Private Lands – Kipp Frohlich (FWC)

            Discussion (All)

4:00 PM   Adjourn