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The Costa Mesa Police Department would like to make the public aware of an increased sighting of coyotes within the City. Over the last couple of months there have been several coyote sightings and incidents in the north and west areas of Costa Mesa. Citizens have observed the coyotes aggressively approaching and/or harming small domestic animals.

Costa Mesa Animal Control has responded to the increased activity and in light of the issue has solicited the service of Urban Wildlife Professionals (UWP), a professional wildlife capturing service. UWP specializes in these matters and has been utilized by other Orange County agencies to address coyote problems.

Beginning on March 7, 2011, UWP will begin trapping coyotes at various locations within the City. The traps (snares) are placed off trails and walkways. They are designed not to harm humans and/or domestic animals.

The trapping efforts will take place during the week of March 7 - 11 and March 14 - 18, 2011.

Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to Sgt. Phil Myers at 714-754-5074.

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