

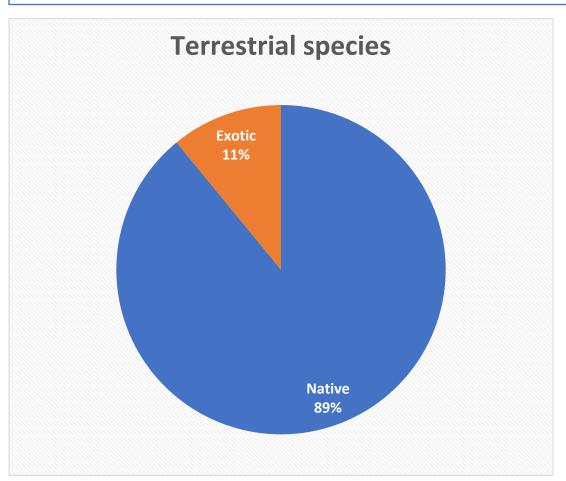
Scientific and technical meetings 2017
Group of Experts on Invasive Alien Species back-to-back with a Seminar on the "Eradication of IAS in small European islands"

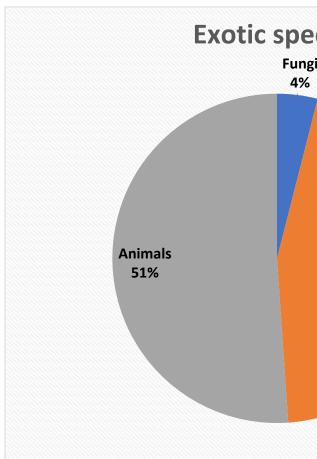


# Some examples of eradications and control in the Canary Islands

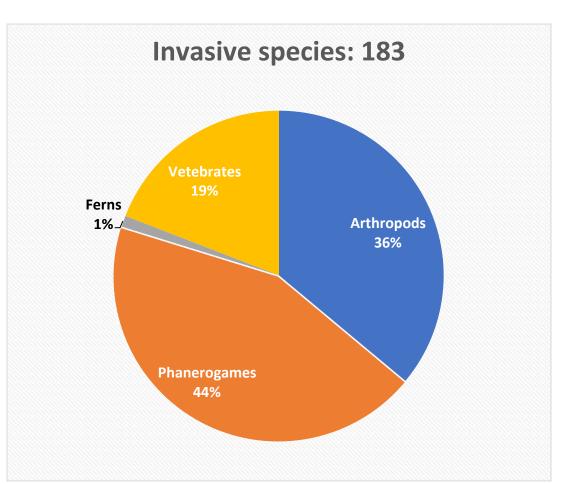
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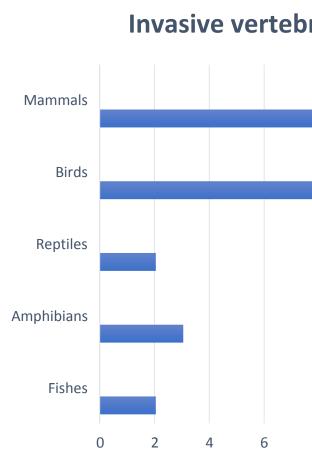
# Terrestrial species in the Cana





# Terrestrial invasive species





### Red palm weevil

(Rhynchophorus ferrugineus) (2007-2016)



- First eradicatio
- Islands affected Canaria, Fuerte Tenerife
- 706,081 palms
- 209,547 treated
- 681 weevils cau
- 659 palms reme
- Cost: 12,000,00
  - http://www.picud

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#### Rabbit in Montaña Clara Islet

(Oryctolagus cuniculus) (1999-2002)

Famara - Restoration of the islets and the cliffs of Famara (Lanzarote Island)

LIFE99 NAT/E/006392



- Montaña Cla
- Method: live
- 127 rabbits re
- Cost: 629.306

Rabbit is catalogued as in

#### **Egyptian fruit bat on Tenerife**

(Rousettus aegyptiacus) (2002-2005)



- Escaped from tw
- 2002-2005: 40 in removed
- 2008, 2009 and found
- Methods: survey detectors and m
- Cost: 20,000 €

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#### Mouflon on Tenerife and Barbary sheep on La Pa

(Ovis aries and Ammotragus Iervia)

(1970'-????)



- Hunting species: no limitations in number sex of they are catalogued as invasive species. Someting professional hunters required.
- Master plans of the national parks and other practical areas order their eradication. Also the Europea for Protected Areas of the Council of Europe, 19
- No clear political intention to eradicate them.

Recommendation No. 91 (2002) on Invasive Alien Species that threa diversity in Islands and geographically and evolutionary isolated ecoadopted by the Standing Committee on 5 December 2002.

#### Recommends that Spain:

14. Take effective steps towards the eradication of the mufflon (*Ovis ammol* and the Barbary sheep (*Ammotragus lervia*) from La Palma, given their high on endemic species listed in Appendix I of the Convention.

# Feral goats and sheep: an increasing









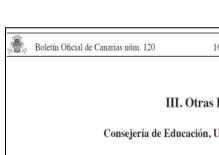


- La Gor
   Canari
- Shoot
   be sac
- Strong mass retwo

# Fountain Grass (*Pennisetum setac*) the queen of the invasive plants



- Present in all the is
- Tenerife, La Palma : highly invaded
- 10.000 seeds/plant
- Dispersed by wind a
- Rejected by herbive
- Nobody knows the invested by islands

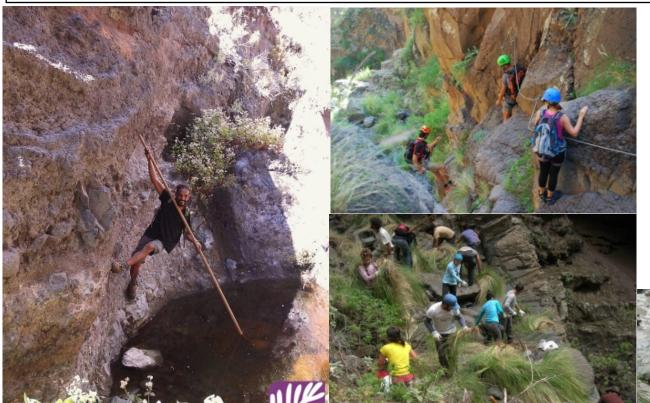


2753 ORDEN de 13 de junio de 2014, por para el manejo, control y eliminación

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# Control of Fountain Grass (*Pennisetum setaceum*) in Teno Rural Park (Tenerife)

# **ABE**



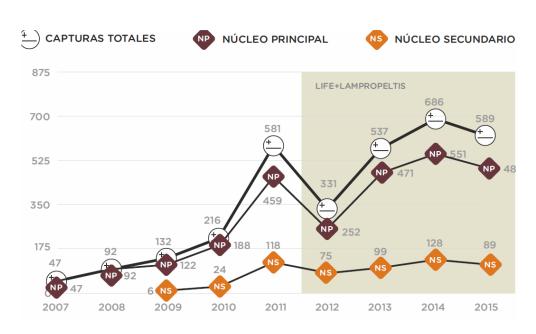
- Four years figh
- 2017: 15 camp each; climbers
- Manual remov
- Logistic suppor the office of th

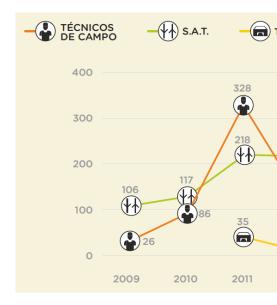
#### California kingsnake on Gran Canaria

(Lampropeltis californiae) (2009- ∞ )



LIFE10 NAT/ES/000565 2011-2015 1.025.863 €





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#### California Kingsnake on Gran Canaria

(Lampropeltis californiae) (2016)







- 6 campaigns
- 114 volunteers
- 24 captures



## European Strategy on invasive specie

#### Objectives

The Strategy promotes the development and implementation of coordinated measu efforts throughout Europe to prevent or minimise adverse impacts of invasive alie Europe's biodiversity, as well as their consequences for the economy and human heal

The Strategy provides guidance to help Bern Convention Parties in their efforts to:

- rapidly increase awareness and information on IAS issues and ways to tackle
- strengthen national and regional capacity and cooperation to deal with IAS iss
- prevent the introduction of new invasive alien species into and within Europeapid response to detected incursions (§6);
- reduce the adverse impact of existing invasive alien species (§7);
- recover species and restore natural habitats and ecosystems that have been as biological invasions, where feasible and desirable (§8); and
- identify and prioritise key actions to be implemented at the national and region

#### REGULATION (EU) No 1143/2014 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF T of 22 October 2014

on the prevention and management of the introduction and spread of invasive a

#### Article 6

#### Provisions for the outermost regions

- 1. Invasive alien species of Union concern shall not be subject to Article 7 or Articles 13 to 20 in regions.
- 2. By 2 January 2017, each Member State with outermost regions shall adopt for each of those regions alien species of concern, in consultation with those regions.
- 3. As regards the invasive alien species included on the lists referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article, may, within the respective outermost regions, apply the measures as provided for in Articles 7 to 9, 13 to as appropriate. Those measures shall be compatible with the TFEU and be notified to the Commission in a Union law.
- 4. Member States shall immediately notify the Commission and shall inform the other Member States referred to in paragraph 2 and of any update to those lists.



#### Real Decreto 630/2013, de 2 de agosto, Catálogo español de especies ex

	Reptiles
Chrysemys picta (Schneider, 1783).	
Todas las especies de la Familia Colubridae sensu lato.	Canarias
Elaphe guttata (Linnaeus, 1766).	Baleares
Trachemys scripta (Schoepff, 1792).	
	Mamife
Ammotragus lervia (Pallas, 1777).	
Atelerix albiventris (Wagner, 1841).	
Hemiechinus auritus (Gmelin, 1770).	
Herpestes javanicus (E. Geoffroy Saint-Hilaire, 1818).	
Mustela (Neovison) vison Schreber, 1777.	
Myocastor coypus (Molina, 1782).	
Nasua spp.	
Nyctereutes procyonoides (Gray, 1834).	
Ondatra zibethicus (Linnaeus, 1766).	
Ovis musimon Pallas, 1762.	Canaria
Procyon lotor (Linnaeus, 1758).	
Rousettus aegyptiacus (Geoffroy, 1810).	
Rattus norvegicus (Berkenhout, 1769).	Canaria
Rattus rattus (Linnaeus, 1758).	Canari
Familia Sciuridae Hemprich, 1820 <sup>1</sup> .	

### Control of entry pathways: seaports and







# Control of trade in exotic species





Environmental Group of the Canary Police Tenerife (2015-17)



- Team: 3 (2015); 6 (2017)
- 83 pet shops and 34 plan inspected.
- 19 police reports for ilegardance
   species.
- 50 internet advertisemer

### Conclusion

- ☐ We should focus our efforts on:
  - prevention (risk assessment, education, awareness and leg
  - detection and rapid response.
- ☐ Control and eradication are much more expensive, I and often socially controversial.
- We should establish clear criteria to prioritise action and eradication on each island and at regional levels