# What Does Contraception Have to Do with Endangered Species?

There are more than 7.6 billion people in the world – more than 2x the population on the first Earth Day – and wild plants and animals are feeling the squeeze.

The problem is rarely discussed. Yet the solution is straightforward: Give everyone the resources they need to choose if and when they want to have children – and how many.

#### Why Protect Endangered Species?

- 99 percent of currently threatened species are at risk from human activities, so it's up to us to save them.
- From crops to clean water, every essential human need depends on biodiversity and the health of our planet.

### Why Reproductive Rights and Education?

- Reproductive freedom is a basic human right, and it's inextricably linked to reducing pressure on wildlife and wild places.
- Nearly half of all U.S. pregnancies are unplanned, while access to contraceptives, reproductive freedom and science-based sex education are under attack.

#### What Can We Do About It?

You can help by talking about the impact of human population growth on biodiversity with your friends, family and community.

## Bring Population Back Into the Conversation

The Center for Biological Diversity uses creative media to spark conversations, including:

 Colorful Endangered Species Condoms given away by hundreds of volunteers in communities across the country.



- Pillow Talk hands-on activities and presentations at museums, science centers and classrooms.
- #CrowdedPlanet photos showing what it's like for wildlife living a world of 7.6 billion people.

### Support Reproductive Justice and Access to Birth Control

When people are educated and empowered to make family-planning decisions, it improves the health of moms, babies and the planet.

The Center partners with public health campaigns to advocate for:

- Removing barriers to higher-cost, extremely effective contraceptives like IUD's and implants.
- Protecting contraception coverage through the Affordable Care Act without co-pays.
- Fully funding international family planning and reversing the Global Gag Rule that restricts access to services.



Become a volunteer, take action and stay informed at www.EndangeredSpeciesCondoms.com