Don't Leave Your Pets Outside Unattended! And Don't Feed Wild Animals of ANY Kind! Ignore these warnings and desert predators may kill and eat your pets!

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Edwards Air Force Base is surrounded by the Mojave Desert, and the desert is full of predators. Coyotes and bobcats are particularly prevalent at Edwards. These predators may target pets left outside unattended.

While many breeds of dogs are larger than coyotes, no breed is guaranteed to be safe from desert predators. Cats and smaller dogs are especially vulnerable.

It is imperative that you do not provide food or water for wild animals of ANY kind. Never feed a predator because it causes the animal to associate food with humans. Once that association is learned, it can't be unlearned. This always ends badly for the

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animal, the people involved and their pets.

It is equally important to not feed the cute fluffy animals that seem to pose no harm to pets. Those cute little animals will come near your quarters for the food, and predators will follow to hunt and eat those animals. These predators may attack any family pets left out unattended.

Sometimes people unintentionally provide food and water to animals. Please don't leave any pet food or water outside. Don't allow water to pool anywhere near your quarters, and secure all garbage inside bins with straps, rope or bungee cords. Even if you don't have pets, refrain from feeding wild animals. Otherwise, your actions could bring a death sentence to the family pets of others.

For more information, please call Environmental Management at (661) 277-1401.

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