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LightHawk Transports Endangered Gray Wolves to Colorado for Release

LightHawk, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit conservation organization, successfully transported five endangered gray wolves from Oregon to Colorado at 7:30 am PT today. Volunteer pilots from LightHawk facilitated the 2.5-hour flight for the wolves and their handlers, ensuring their safe arrival in Colorado. Once in Colorado, the wolves were handed over to Colorado Parks and Wildlife for their eventual release into the wild.

"It is truly a privilege for LightHawk and our pilots to work with Colorado Parks and Wildlife to facilitate the safety and well-being of these majestic animals on their journey. Together, we strive to make a meaningful impact in the conservation of endangered species," says LightHawk Director of Conservation, Dr. Diego Gil-Agudelo.

As the leading conservation flying organization in the U.S., LightHawk collaborated with Colorado Parks and Wildlife to ensure the secure and efficient transportation of the endangered species.

For over 43 years, LightHawk has partnered with various organizations across the continent to promote the conservation of natural resources. This includes transporting and monitoring threatened and endangered species, evaluating natural and human impacts in ecosystems, and increasing awareness in conservation through photo and video documentation. LightHawk has successfully transported a diverse range of endangered species, to include Mexican and red wolves, black-footed ferrets, white abalone, California condors, and others.

About LightHawk

Recognizing the transformative power of aviation in addressing many of Earth's environmental challenges, LightHawk has been dedicated to accelerating conservation success since 1979. In collaboration with partners, LightHawk designs projects where aviation plays a crucial role in addressing key issues facing our lands, waters, and wildlife. Leveraging the expertise of over 250 volunteer pilots and a team of dedicated professionals, LightHawk ensures that conservation outcomes are achieved with greater speed, efficiency, and effectiveness.

For more information on LightHawk and its impactful work, please visit www.lighthawk.org.