Today I'm going to be discussing the Canadian Lynx and how we are working to help it.

The Canadian Lynx is essentially a cat that is a little bigger than your average house cat. It is native to Canada but lives in some northern parts of the US including northern Idaho. The Canadian Lynx is endangered and has gradually decreased in numbers since the 19th century. Attempts to reintroduce the Canadian Lynx have been unsuccessful because the lynx has been removed from society and doesn't know how to live in the current state of the world because of the rapid changes that the world has made. It hasn't had the chance to adapt.

The lynx lives in northern parts of North America. The lynx lives in areas that are mainly in Canada and Alaska. The Canadian Lynx is endangered in the US. In Canada, there are tens of thousands of the lynx lurking about throughout Canada. However, the US has had trouble getting the lynx to be introduced into the US. The lynx is a predator and primarily feeds on the hare which causes problems because the hare has a population that increases and decreases rapidly and because of this the lynx has the same problem. The lynx decreases and increases rapidly in population. The lynx primarily hunts and lives during the night. They are amazing nocturnal animals and they can see up to 250 feet in the dark. This makes for amazing nocturnal hunting.

The female lynx is responsible for most of the growth that the lynx currently is having. The female lynx is able to have one litter every year for several years. Because of this, the lynx are able to have dozens of offspring throughout the span of just a few years. However, the lynx is only able to live on average for 14 years and the lynx gains sexual maturity by about 2-3 years. This gives the lynx only 11-12 years to birth more of the lynx. There is also anywhere from 1-8 lynx per litter. If we do the math and say an average of 4 lynx per litter then the lynx is able to have around 50 lynx in their lifetime, give or take. This is amazing but lynx still remains endangered. The reason for this is the hare. The hare is the lynx's main source of food and because the hare has times of decreased population the young lynx die off. This impacts the rate of growth for the lynx exponentially.

We cannot just blame the hare for the endangerment of the lynx. We also play a crucial role in the endangerment of the lynx. Because of our heavy deforestation, we are destroying the lynx's habitat. The lynx has no choice but to move out of the US and go up to Canada because the conditions for living are so much better up in Canada than here in the US. Canada has the resources and habitat that the lynx needs. There is more open land for the lynx to live in and less adaptation that is needed. However, we are still trying to help the lynx. We are trying to prevent further decrease in their population and we are trying to provide or help move them to an area that will suit their needs. We are trying to prevent further habitat reduction so that the lynx can live on.

The lynx is a very interesting species and they deserve to live on. The National Wildlife Federation is playing an integral role in helping to restore the lynx in the US. The lynx poses little to no threat to humans as the lynx is only a little bigger than a household cat. Because of the lynx's size, it has a disadvantage in the wild because it is not as dangerous as some other animals. The lynx needs help and support in order to survive because living conditions for them are not ideal at the moment.

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