



# PROTECT SAN NICOLAS ISLAND'S MISSION

PREVENT RODENTS AND OTHER UNWANTED PLANTS, INSECTS, AND ANIMALS FROM MAKING THE TRIP WITH YOU

## WHAT INVASIVE SPECIES DO

- Damage property, e.g., chew electrical wires critical for aircraft operations and communications
- Carry disease and parasitic insects
- Eat and contaminate our food
- Create unsanitary conditions with droppings and urine
- Reduce diversity of wildlife on islands
- Destroy habitat
- Kill federally protected species
- Cost millions of dollars to remove

## WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Clean your boots and equipment BEFORE coming to the island
- Do not bring animals, seeds, or soils to SNI
- Inspect all cargo BEFORE loading barge or plane
- Keep all cargo hatches closed when awaiting transport to the island
- Always look for signs of droppings or gnawing
- Keep SNI cargo staging areas free of debris and trash
- Immediately report observations of raccoons, rats, opossums, squirrels, cats, skunks, or snakes on SNI

## BIOSECURITY CHECK



**Brush Your Boots**  
Use boot brushes provided at the air terminal entrance. Inspect and clean in and underneath shoelace holes.



**Pest-Proof Packing**  
Pack your gear and food in tightly-sealed containers.



**Inspect and Clean**  
Inspect and clean your clothing and gear of all insects and plant material.

## PROHIBITED ITEMS



Soil or Seeds



Tools or Equipment with Attached Soil and/or Spider Webs



Unfinished Wood



Insects



Wood Pallets with Insect Presence



Live or Potted Plants and Cut Flowers



Pets and/or Pet Food

There are no rats on San Nicolas Island. Please help us keep it that way.

## COMMUNICATE!

If you observe or detect signs, call NBVC Environmental immediately at (805) 989-2626, (805) 989-4740, or (805) 989-3808

Relay WHAT you saw, and WHEN and WHERE you saw it.