

# Skulls and Carcasses Wanted

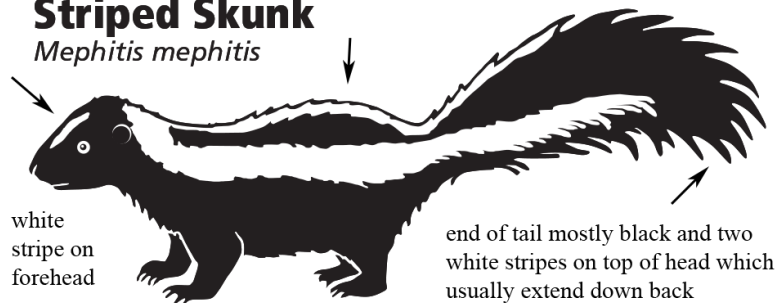
The N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission Furbearer Team  
Is interested in collecting the following:

**Bobcat Skulls**  
**Otter Skulls**  
**Spotted Skunk Carcasses**  
**Muskrat Carcasses**

## Eastern Spotted Skunk *Spilogale putorius*



## Striped Skunk *Mephitis mephitis*



As in recent years, we'll collect bobcat and otter teeth to look the age structure of the harvest. We're hoping to collect a few muskrat carcasses from watersheds throughout North Carolina to test for diseases, heavy metals, and pharmaceuticals to try to screen for any red flags that may impact populations. Additionally, we're hoping to obtain carcasses of spotted skunks to collect locations and tissue samples, including genetic samples, to increase our knowledge of this elusive furbearer species

Projects such as these are important, as they help us monitor populations and improve our knowledge of N.C. furbearers. We feel this information will help us maintain trapping for future generations! Thank you in advance!

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