







However, identification of the specific elements that are the primary determinants of carrying capacity (cavities in old, live pine trees, absence of hardwood midstory) enabled managers to stimulate population increases by providing these features in remaining habitat (Conner et al. 2001, Rudolph et al. 2004).

The Ivory-billed Woodpecker case involves a similar habitat quality element, reduction of quality caused by elimination of old growth, but because of

Besides more readily addressed declining population factors, the other characteristic of successful critically small numbers is that they involve intensive management activities such as captive



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