

Up to 85 endangered species find refuge in the wetlands restored by Fundación Moeve

- **The entity has been promoting restoration and conservation initiatives in degraded ecosystems for over two decades. Among its most notable projects are the Laguna Primera de Palos and Paraje Natural Marismas del Odiel wetlands in Huelva and the Madre Vieja Environmental Station in Cádiz**
- **Fundación Moeve exceeded 7,000 visits by researchers, institutions, and educational centers to its natural spaces during 2025, consolidating a model that combines biodiversity protection and environmental education**

Fundación Moeve continues to advance in the conservation and recovery of wetlands, with notable actions in spaces such as Laguna Primera de Palos and Paraje Natural Marismas del Odiel, both located in Huelva and the Madre Vieja Environmental Station in Cádiz. As of the close of 2025, and as a result of more than two decades of work, the organization has succeeded in preserving 52.85 hectares of these environments, equivalent to 28.4 hectares of water surface area, and has strengthened the protection of 715 native species of fauna and flora, 85 of which are considered endangered species.

Wetlands are one of the most effective natural solutions for protecting the territory, thanks to their key role in carbon capture and freshwater storage. This capacity to retain water makes them essential refuges for numerous species.

During 2025, these sites became established as benchmark spaces for both conservation and environmental outreach. Throughout the year, they received 7,648 visits from researchers, institutions, and educational centers. Likewise, in line with the foundation's outreach work, 4,800 students from 90 schools participated in awareness programs that taught them firsthand about the ecological importance of these ecosystems. The organization promotes meeting spaces for researchers, experts, and administrations to advance the management and conservation of wetlands and other high-value environmental ecosystems.

This educational and conservationist momentum has been made possible thanks to the sustained investment of Fundación Moeve, which during this period allocated more than €1.8 million to biodiversity actions, with a priority focus on the recovery and protection of wetlands.

Teresa Mañueco, Director of Fundación Moeve, states: "The results achieved in 2025 demonstrate the work that Fundación Moeve has been developing for years in wetland restoration, ecosystems of high environmental value considered the 'kidneys of the planet'. The protection and recovery of these spaces reinforce our firm commitment to the defense of biodiversity, one of our three strategic areas and an essential pillar of our contribution to the ecological transition."

Consolidated conservation and new alliances

Over the past two decades, the protection and conservation of the Laguna Primera de Palos, Laguna de La Rábida and Paraje Natural Marismas del Odiel wetlands in Huelva, as well as Arroyo Negro and the Madre Vieja Environmental Station in the province of Cádiz, stand out. The latter has been key to the success of the owl recovery project, with 67 individuals released since its inception, and the Galápagos Project, which currently has 8 adult breeding specimens.

Furthermore, Fundación Moeve signed new strategic agreements in 2025, strengthening its presence in high-value ecosystems in Andalusia and the Canary Islands, such as the agreement with the Algeciras City Council for the protection of **Huerta de las Pilas (Campo de Gibraltar)**, the protocol for the restoration of **Laguna de las Madres (Huelva)**, and the creation of a **new artificial wetland in Fasnia (Tenerife)** together with the Island Council. Additionally, the ecological restoration of the **La Mejorada wetland in the Brazo del Este Natural Area (Seville)** remains in process.

Fundación Moeve is a general interest organization and non-profit whose objective is to carry out initiatives aimed at serving the needs and priorities of local communities. Their priority areas of action are people, biodiversity, and social innovation.

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