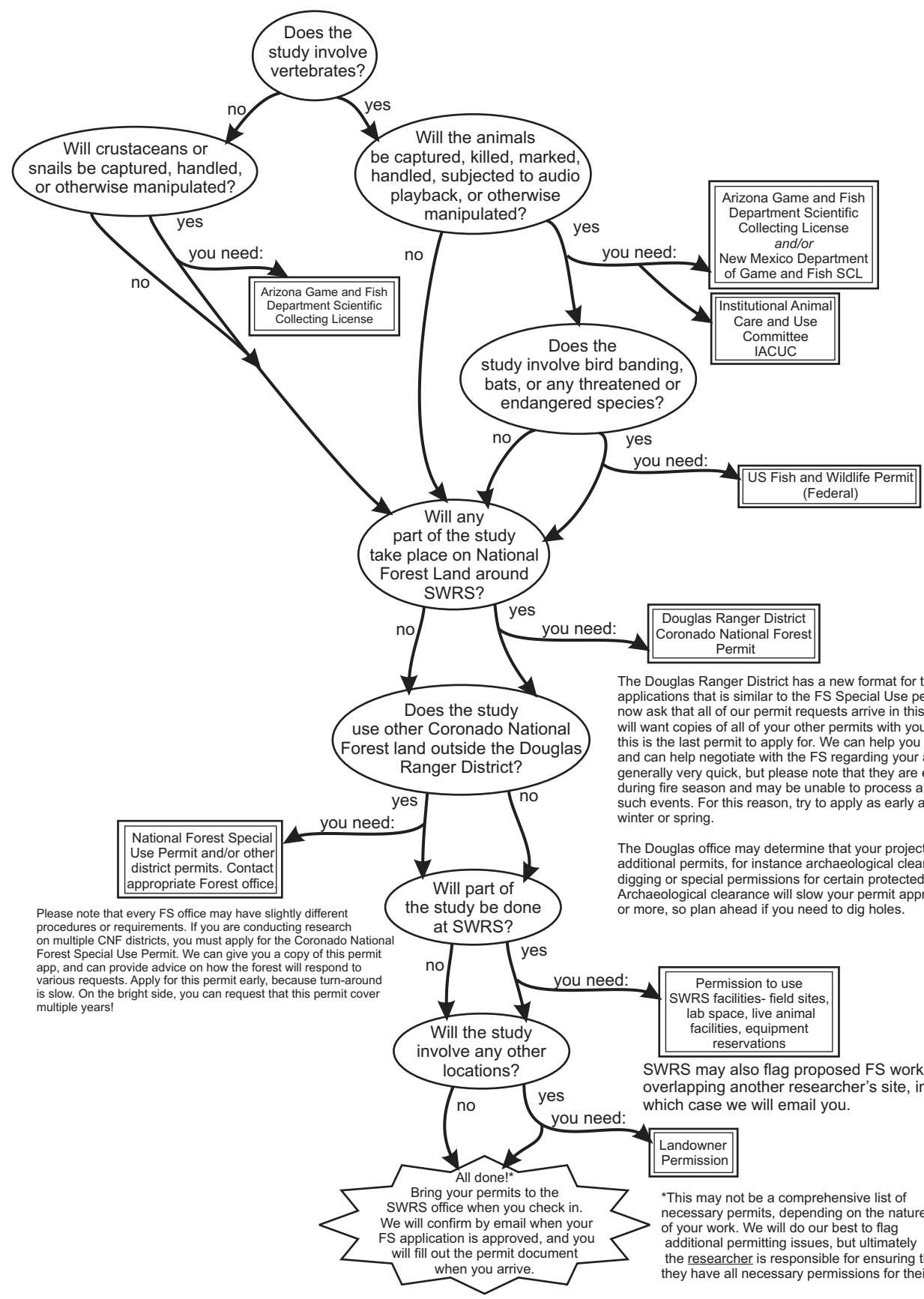


If your research application is accepted by SWRS (based on our review of your proposal), this chart can help you determine the permits you will need to have by the time of your arrival:



The Douglas Ranger District has a new format for their permit applications that is similar to the FS Special Use permit. They now ask that all of our permit requests arrive in this format. The FS will want copies of all of your other permits with your application, so this is the last permit to apply for. We can help you with this application and can help negotiate with the FS regarding your app. Turnaround is generally very quick, but please note that they are extremely busy during fire season and may be unable to process applications during such events. For this reason, try to apply as early as possible in the winter or spring.

The Douglas office may determine that your project requires additional permits, for instance archaeological clearance for digging or special permissions for certain protected sites. Archaeological clearance will slow your permit approval by 6 months or more, so plan ahead if you need to dig holes.

Please note that every FS office may have slightly different procedures or requirements. If you are conducting research on multiple CNF districts, you must apply for the Coronado National Forest Special Use Permit. We can give you a copy of this permit app, and can provide advice on how the forest will respond to various requests. Apply for this permit early, because turn-around is slow. On the bright side, you can request that this permit cover multiple years!

SWRS may also flag proposed FS work as overlapping another researcher's site, in which case we will email you.

*This may not be a comprehensive list of necessary permits, depending on the nature of your work. We will do our best to flag additional permitting issues, but ultimately the researcher is responsible for ensuring that they have all necessary permissions for their work.

All done!*
Bring your permits to the SWRS office when you check in. We will confirm by email when your FS application is approved, and you will fill out the permit document when you arrive.