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I am very encouraged by wolf recovery in the West. Wolves are a part of a balanced wilderness ecosystem. I strongly oppose hunting wolves. The hunting season that Idaho has put on wolves is especially horrible. Montana and Wyoming also have laws that strongly oppose wolf recovery. For those hunters who think wolf recovery destroys the elk population that they hunt, need to look at the research done at Yellowstone and see how the introduction of wolves actually strengthened the elk herds.

On the other hand ranchers who raise cattle and are having problems with wolf predation, need to have a voice in this plan and a way to deal with this. As it is affecting their lively hood. There needs to be a balanced plan, that does not follow what Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming have put into law.