## WDFW/SEPA.NEPA Coordinator Lisa Wood Sept 1, 2019 Olympia, WA

Dear Ms Wood,

I am opposed to spending any State/Fed taxpayer money on preserving and expanding wild wolf populations. There are 60,000 wild wolves in Canada and that population is stable or expanding. There is virtually no chance of wolf extinction.

44 Lower mainland states have no wolf populations and amazingly citizens are very comfortable with that status.

Injecting wolf populations into rural WA is having serious economic impacts upon rural ranchers raising sheep, goats,

cattle, lamas, horses, and pigs. The increasing frequency of wolf predation on these animals is costing rural ranchers time and money, and making their property holdings unsalable.

One has to wonder if that is really the hidden goal of the Dept of Fish and Wildlife, as they spend millions of taxpayers dollars, seeking to acquire that unsalable land.

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