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**What is your gender?**

Male

**Age?**

70

**County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?**

Spokane

**Residential setting:**

Urban

**Do you identify yourself as any of the following?**

Environmentalist

Hunter

**WDFW has identified a list of impact topics to include in the Plan/EIS. Impact topics are a means of organizing the discussion of issues and analysis of impacts. Impact topics can be thought of as chapter or section headings in the Plan/EIS.**

**Please review this list and add other topics, or items that fit under these headings.**

**Please check the topics you view as most important.**

Wolf conservation and monitoring

Land management

Habitat connectivity

Please list other topics here. The next page provides space for general comments on the scope of the plan.

Getting Cattle out of public lands

**Do you have general comments about the scope of Washington's updated wolf conservation and management plan?**

Cattle do not belong in forest or semi-arid public lands. Cattle do much destruction to the native lands both by the plants they chose to eat and erosion of stream and river banks. Why is the public giving access to our public lands to ranchers at below market rates?

Corporate welfare and not for the common good of the public! As to ranchers that chose to run cattle on their private land, they are not good stewards of the land and cannot expect the public to pay for their loses of cattle to wolves. Just like our Native Americans the wolves were there first. The elephant in the room is world overpopulation which places unsustainable demands on the environment. We eat beef not wolves so we allow cattle where they shouldn't be raised.