

William Young

**What is your gender?**

Male

**Age?**

67

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

Whatcom

**Residential setting:**

Urban

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

Environmentalist

Outdoor Recreationist

**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

Habitat connectivity

Information and education

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

Wolves are an iconic Northwest species, and can help restore the balance of nature that human interference has upset. The WDFW needs to use the best available evidence-based science, not fear and superstitious myths, for decision making on wolf conservation, in order to ensure sustainable wolf populations. Wolves do not need management, nor killing. There should be no wolf hunting, at any time. Ranchers need extensive management and education, especially if they insist on exploiting our taxpayer-funded public lands for their own private profit. The WDFW needs to continue to work with ranchers to support the implementation of pro-active, non-lethal methods, such as range-riding, guard dogs and hazing, to decrease wolf-livestock conflicts.