Sheldon Solow

What is your gender? Male

Age? 36

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

King

Residential setting: Urban

Do you identify yourself as any of the following? 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

Wolf classification/status

Translocation

Land management

Habitat connectivity

Research

Goals objectives strategies and tasks

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

While I am a city person, my love for the Pacific Northwest isn't the city, it's the splendors of outdoors. This is more than mountains, woods, and sea, but a healthy and well-populated mix of natural prey and predator species. Wolves, as apex predators, are critical for the function of healthy ecosystems and that is why they must be conserved more so than managed. Despite their delisting, their range and scale--to my understanding--are not where they historically were or presently should be. Please protect them while supporting our ranchers, so that myself and future generations can explore a healthy Washington wilderness and witness wolves (at a healthy distance) in their natural habitat not just in five years but fifty or one hundred.

Thank you for your time and the work you do.