

Michael Pratt

**What is your gender?**

Male

**Age?**

53

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

Kitsap

**Residential setting:**

Suburban

**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

Wolf classification/status

Wolf-human interactions

Information and education

Research

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

As a biologist, I am concerned by the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife's pattern of wolf killing in the same area of prime wolf habitat in the Kettle Range. It appears that euthanasia is becoming the first choice before non-lethal alternatives.

I recommend that WDFW focus on restoring public trust by relying on the best available science and implementing effective non-lethal alternatives to alleviate wolf-livestock conflicts.

I also recommend that WDFW also work with federal land management agencies to reevaluate grazing allotments in prime wolf habitat in order to reduce a pattern of ongoing conflicts and wolf killings.