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**What is your gender?**

Male

**Age?**

69

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

Pierce

**Residential setting:**

Rural

**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

Wolf management areas

Wolf-livestock conflicts

Wolf-ungulate interactions

Wolf hunting

Land management

Habitat connectivity

Research

Reporting and evaluation

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

It makes no sense anymore to try and graze livestock in areas where wolves have historically lived and where we are now trying to reintroduce them. This is nothing more than a form of welfare for the few ranchers who insist that they be allowed to run cattle in these areas. If they are allowed to do so, it must be with the understanding that predators live in these areas and may put their livestock at risk. Wolves must not be sacrificed so that a minority of ranchers can continue to leach off the public.