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What is your gender?

Female

Age?

34

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

Whatcom

Residential setting:

Suburban

Do you identify yourself as any of the following?

Environmentalist

Livestock Producer

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 management areas

Wolf-livestock conflicts

Wolf hunting

Habitat connectivity

Information and education

Reporting and evaluation

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

The plan should explore the best ways for wolves to continue to receive the protection they need and deserve and how ranches and other commercial enterprises can coexist with the wolves. Wolves are an essential top predator species that should be a part of our state. Our ecosystems are so much healthier with a keystone species like wolves. The number of wolves/wolf packs that have been killed in the last few years seems to demonstrate that the current plan has not been working--and killing the wolves is not a good solution to conflict issues. I hope the plan will find ways to move things forward productively and without the loss of life to the wolves that has been happening.