Brandon Moberg

What is your gender? Male

Age? 36

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

King County

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

Wolf classification/status

Wolf management areas

Wolf-livestock conflicts

Wolf-ungulate interactions

Wolf interactions with other species

Land management

Habitat connectivity

Information and education

Research

Goals objectives strategies and tasks

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

Wolves are a keystone predator that play a valuable and important role in the health of our ecosystems. As such, I strongly support Washington's successful wolf recovery efforts, and the value wolves play in our region and our environment. It's critically important that we seek to maintain, and improve upon, the lethal wolf removal statistics in the state, which were less than 3% of the state wolf population last year compared to 12% for other Western states. Continued focus on research, education, coalition building amongst all partners, non-lethal conflict resolution, and habitat connectivity are critically important.

I'd love to see Washington continue its successful recovery by establishing a new, better standard for post-recovery wolf conservation and management in a way that influences and improves wolf conservation and management for other Western states. Coalition building amongst states is important to ensuring the long-term health of Western US ecosystems, and wolves are critical to the health of those ecosystems.