Beverlee Loat

What is your gender?

Female

Age?

65

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

Maricopa

Residential setting:

Suburban

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-livestock conflicts

Wolf-ungulate interactions

Wolf interactions with other species

Wolf hunting

Habitat connectivity

Information and education

Research

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

I appreciate a science-based approach with goals of maintaining environmental balance with recognition that taking a predator out of the ecosystem harms the entire ecosystem. While livestock protection is important, a holistic approach must be taken to understand the role and challenges of wolves in surviving. Eradicating/culling one specie in favor of livestock seems like an easy fix but negatively reverberates throughout the ecosystem. The goal should be to understand the structures that enable coexistence.