## Tristan Adler

**What is your gender?** Male

**Age?** 36

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

Salt Lake

**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 management areas

Wolf-livestock conflicts

Wolf-ungulate interactions

Wolf interactions with other species

Wolf-human interactions
Wolf hunting
Translocation
Land management
Habitat connectivity
Information and education
Research
Reporting and evaluation
Goals objectives strategies and tasks
Costs and funding priorities
Economic analysis

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

As apex predators, wolves are a critically important piece of the broader ecosystem. While they do present some issues to nearby human residents - primarily impacts to livestock and pets - that require proper management and targeted non-lethal intervention strategies, their overall impact on ecosystems to which they've been reintroduced has been positive. Broader biological diversity throughout the entire ecosystem is of utmost importance, and a science-based approach to wildlife management is necessary and prudent. As human populations grow and further encroach into wildlife habitats, complex and well-informed solutions that allow humans and wildlife to coexist are more viable to the long term health of local and regional ecosystems than a systematic elimination of any species that presents an inconvenience to certain human populations.