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What is your gender?

Male

Age?

51

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

King County

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

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?

We need the Wolves as one of the Keystone species to keep the ecosystem in balance, especially to keep Coyotes in check, which has a ripple effect, just look at Yellowstone NP as an example of that. I can't believe that in just 50 or 60 years Coyotes have spread this far north, that is directly attributable to lack of presence of Wolves.

To protect Livestock etc. it is about time to adopt the techniques that has been successfully used in Europe, playing recordings of howls of a different pack than the resident pack, that generally keeps them away. Mountain Lion pee might work as well as deterrent... Also, State needs to set up a compensation fund and/ or Insurance program subsidized by the State, supported with Sales Tax on Beef, to compensate for lost Livestock to Wolves. I can bet that it will be less than 100 heads of Cattle a year. Given how many millions State has given to Boeing as Tax Break to keep the HQ here and they still moved it to Chicago, this is peanuts. Yea, WA State Legislature was naïve not to get written assurances and guarantees from Boeing before giving them, what, a 300+ million dollars Tax Break ? Ouch. How dumb.