Ian Padron

What is your gender? Male

Age? 26

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

Snohomish

Residential setting:

Rural

Do you identify yourself as any of the following?

Environmentalist

Hunter

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-ungulate interactions

Wolf hunting

Goals objectives strategies and tasks

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

I'm really hoping that the 2 extremes of the ongoing wolf debate here in WA state are largely ignored.

Wolves should be de-listed and carefully managed like any other big game animal. They should not be untouchable like the tree-huggers desire, nor should every wolf be eradicated like the Fudds believe.

ID and MT paved the way on what not to do before finally getting their wolf populations under control in recent years. The last thing WA state needs is for another predator population to explode. Elk and deer herds are still suffering from the hound ban, there are WAYYY too many Cougars and bears in the hills. With the Methow mule deer herd basically non-existent, I have some serious concerns about the status of all predators in this state.

My fear, given WDFWs track record, is that public input from Seattle sways the management away from science and towards emotion.

Appreciate the opportunity to provide feedback and hope it is actually used as part of the process.