

Teresa Trail

What is your gender?

Female

Age?

54

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

King

Residential setting:

Rural

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-livestock conflicts

Wolf-ungulate interactions

Wolf hunting

Habitat connectivity

Information and education

Research

Reporting and evaluation

Goals objectives strategies and tasks

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

I'm concerned with the premise presented in the webinar that wolves are clearly on their way to recovery. The breeding pair trends, the unmet criteria of any wolves in the Southern Cascades region and that this is the first year of a pack in west of the Cascade Crest all seem to point to the fact that Washington is still a long way for meeting its recovery goals. Instead of premature planning, focus and resources should remain on the science behind true recovery and increasing education and adoption of lifestyles that prioritize conflict reduction and non-lethal remedies to those conflicts that do occur. The scope and regularity of lethal methods, namely killing breeding pairs and entire packs, to "resolve" a small number of often preventable livestock conflicts shows we are still a long way from co-existing with wolves.