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Research

What is your gender? Female Age? 24 **County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?** Thurston. **Residential setting:** Rural Do you identify yourself as any of the following? Environmentalist 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 Habitat connectivity Information and education

Reporting and evaluation

Goals objectives strategies and tasks

Economic analysis

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

Wolves are a vital part of Washington's ecosystems, when available any form of lethal removal, hunting included, should be avoided. Wolves are incredibly social animals who rely on every member of their pack heavily. ANY removal of a member will create problems for a pack that may result in an increased take of ungulate populations and increased depredation of livestock. Wolves' place in the ecosystem is to keep ungulate herds balanced by consistently hunting sick, weak, old, or young members of a herd. This removes animals that are past their breeding capabilities, keeping the herd healthy. Keeping those ungulates in check gives others species balance when ungulates are not over grazing.