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What is your gender?

Female

Age?

61

County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?

Snohomish

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?

Killing any "problem" native animal is an exercise in futility. All it does is lower genetic diversity, it impacts other species negatively (including plants- see the Yellowstone wolf experience for an example of how wolves can greatly benefit an entire region) and it also benefits some species (such as coyotes) who can also become even greater problems than the original animal!

There MUST be non-destructive ways to deal with wolves who learn to predate on cattle, sheep and other domesticated animals. Yes, they cost money and take time- but they are worth investigating and putting to the test. If nothing else, cattle and sheep ranchers could give something like Bitrex or other really bad tasting substances a try by putting it on the most usual places that wolves like to bite their prey. Or literally riding herd on their animals in the old fashioned way.

Just killing anything that gets in our way is inhumane and screws up everything in the long run. TRY SOMETHING ELSE.

