

Richard Noll

**What is your gender?**

Male

**Age?**

74

**County (or Counties) of Primary Residence?**

Jefferson County

**Residential setting:**

Suburban

**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-livestock conflicts

Wolf-human interactions

Habitat connectivity

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

I don't agree with our state's press to reclassify wolves from among the endangered species and create a "post-recovery" wolf plan. This is especially troubling in light of the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife's pattern of wolf killing in the same area of prime wolf habitat in the Kettle Range.

I encourage the state to the sufficient time to focus, instead, on restoring public trust, researching the best available science and find effective non-lethal alternatives to alleviate wolf-livestock conflicts. I would also like the state to work with federal land management agencies like the US Forest Service to reevaluate grazing allotments in prime wolf habitat – a crucial way to reduce a pattern of ongoing conflicts and wolf killings.