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-Resolve livestock-wolf conflicts in ways that keep wolves in the wild and achieve progress towards reintroduction objectives.-Stop killing and removing wolves: reduce "take".

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-Keep future recovery options open. This rule change should not include any provisions that would limit in any way future options for recovery of Mexican gray wolves anywhere outside the current boundaries of the BRWRA.

I value wolves, and want to see them recover in the southwest because they restore the natural balance, are part of our nations natural heritage, and rightfully belong in our natural environments. Thank you for your consideration of my requests.

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December 25, 2007

Brian Millsap, State Administrator
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Dear Mr. Millsap,

I strongly support Mexican gray wolf reintroduction in Arizona and especially in New Mexico where the program has fallen behind stated goals. I support the presence of an ecologically significant, essential, protected, and directly reintroduced population of wolves in New Mexico. Wolves are an essential component of healthy western ecosystems and I support the reintroduction as part of the restoration of western landscapes.

The biological components of successful reintroduction appear to be in place. There are sufficient land and elk to support the number of wolves stated in the goals. However, despite years of captive breeding and some reintroduction, the Mexican gray wolf remains one of the rarest mammals in North America. The Mexican gray wolf has already been subject to near extinction and the species desperately needs to rebuild its genetic stock.

It would appear that human behavior is the most serious obstacle to the reintroduction program. Many decades of ranching and overuse of public lands seem to have produced a malignant, violent and all-consuming sense of entitlement among some public land users. Although wolf predation on livestock poses no significant threat to ranching, pathological hatred of the wolf and stubborn resistance to reintroduction remain. Efforts must be made to bring public land users into compliance with the program. We can not allow a few bad actors to jeopardize this program.

Healthy wolves strenuously avoid human contact and pose little direct threat to people. Efforts to reduce wolf habituation to humans and cattle should be strenuously enforced. Ranchers who persist in leaving cattle carcasses to rot on Federal land must be fined and compelled to clean up their messes. Cattle carcasses should not be allowed to be a habituation liability for the wolf or a financial liability for the tax payer. Public land users who fail to act as good stewards should have their privileges revoked. Outlaw behavior, in the city or on the range should not be tolerated for any reason. The United States has spent millions of dollars and decades of effort on wolf recovery. Ranchers who actively or passively sabotage the wolf recovery program must be prosecuted. No individual or narrow minded interest should ever be allowed to jeopardize the success of the program.

The most disturbing and destructive human behavior comes in the form of deliberately provoking wolf attacks on livestock. Please see the feature article "Last Chance for the Lobo" in High Country News, December 24, 2007 (http://www.hcn.org/servlets/hcn.Article?article_id=17419). The article reports extremely disturbing behavior by an individual in Catron County intent on killing wolves. The individual, Mike Miller, has proudly admitted to deliberately provoking a wolf attack and in doing so has damaged an essential Federal program. The incitement of wolf predation and the cultivation of lethal conflict is criminal behavior and should be regarded and prosecuted as such.

Officials in Catron County, NM have not distinguished themselves with good judgement or a regard for Federal law. Threats of violence against State and Federal agents persist. There is no room for this behavior. This kind of flagrant abuse will destroy the program. The Durango pack has apparently been subject to an unofficial but highly

effective extermination effort. Will this behavior be tolerated or prosecuted? Many reintroduced wolves are subject to illegal destruction. Some 25 wolves have been lost this way. This is a serious threat to the genetic stock of the species. These disappearances must be rigorously investigated. We can not allow another species to be lost down a black hole of hatred and ignorance.

Grazing on public land is a Federally subsidized privilege and should be regarded as such by all parties. Grazing privileges should be immediately suspended in reaction to malfeasance by public land users. Grazing allotments should be bought out and permanently retired where possible, appropriate, and necessary. The number of cattle on Federal land must be reduced. Year-round grazing serves to endanger both cattle and wolves by creating continuous habituation pressure that encourages wolf predation upon cattle. Delaying the reduction of cattle is likely to result in the continued decline of western ecosystems and the propagation of lethal conflict with wolves.

Without genuine regard for biological realities and enforced provisions for them, wolf recovery is unlikely to succeed. We must move beyond the destructive, genocidal behaviors of the past. We must all realize that wolves need habitat away from, and unmolested by, human activity. Humans should no longer assume that they can go anywhere and do anything with utter indifference and impunity. It has become painfully obvious that ecosystems will not bear this treatment. The weight of industrial, extractive human civilization has pushed wolves to the brink of extinction and the assumptions that created that outcome must be changed.

After many decades of efforts to exterminate Mexican gray wolves we appear to be making some progress toward restoring wolves to the western landscapes they historically inhabited. However, Mexican gray wolves are still highly endangered and require a high degree of protection. We must continue to encourage the Mexican gray wolf to increase it's population and begin again to play a biologically significant role in the ecosystems of New Mexico and Arizona.

I understand that there exist individuals who possess a hatred of wolves and offer intractable resistance to the wolf recovery program. When faced with this kind of resistance some basic questions arise: Should a few bad actors be allowed to derail an essential reintroduction program? Should we be satisfied to allow ecosystems to continue to decline? If we don't protect and rehabilitate these ecosystems now, then when? The answers to these questions clarify my resolve to continue to support the program. The recovery program must persist and it must succeed.

The long era of ranching interests taking all the resources and all the consideration appear to be gone. It is time to restore western ecosystems that have been historically and chronically abused. The successful reintroduction of the Mexican gray wolf will help to restore damaged western ecosystems and must be made to succeed. The political will is here to stay.

Sincerely,

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TO: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Albuquerque
SUBJECT: Mexican Gray Wolf Scoping

As a long-time resident of Catron County, New Mexico, I wish to state my strong support for a renewed and strengthened effort to establish viable and sustainable populations of Mexican gray wolves in New Mexico and Arizona. The main need is to allow good science to guide the effort, not the rumors, paranoia and fear-mongering promoted by our local county officials. In the past it has seemed that this program was being

deliberately manipulated to fail. The entire approach must now be turned around to maximize the rate of wolf population growth at least until a viable population level is achieved.

The first and most important need in a new restoration plan is to eliminate ALL restrictions on movements and dispersal of individual wolves and wolf social units. Any biologist know that the past efforts to establish artificial limitations (especially those based on no ecological parameters and no study) are both self-defeating to the re-introduction effort and a waste of funding and human effort. Allow the wolves to find the most suitable habitat as wolves have been doing elsewhere. The same applied to further releases. The Blue Range Recovery Area is too small. Reintroductions are needed within wilderness areas in New Mexico. Surely that is one of the reason such wilderness areas were established: to provide areas where the "original" native fauna can exist unharmed.

I fully support that legitimate and properly documented losses to livestock that are properly managed (not "feral" cattle) should receive adequate compensation. I consider that part of the price to having wolves roaming freely once again and I support use of tax dollars for that purpose.

Finally, I ask that the agency designate this population as an experimental, essential population under the Endangered Species Act.

Please include my comments in the public record. Thank you.

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Brian Milsap, State Administrator
US Fish and Wildlife Service
New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office

As a forty year resident of the Arizona, I applauded the reintroduction of the Mexican wolf along the New Mexico-Arizona border and have been saddened and appalled by the fate of wolves in that management area. Wolves and other keystone predators are essential to the health of habitats which are far too often in poor and declining health today. The fact that as least as many wolves in the recovery area have been removed or killed by the FWS as are hanging on today is a sad comment on the current management program. The rules of the current wolf recovery program must be changed to give the wolves a decent chance. We need them!

The rules for ranchers who graze livestock on public lands must be changed to give the wolves a fair chance to thrive on elk, their preferred prey, rather than cattle. Removing cow carcasses from public lands is essential. Changing the definition of 'problem' wolves to exclude those who scavenge on dead cattle is important as well. The killing and removal of wolves by federal agents must be minimized. Aren't you wildlife managers on their side?

And clearly the wolves must be given a wider area in which to range. Their presence in highlands overgrazed by elk will do much to restore those ecosystems. Wolves are highly intelligent animals who can quickly learn to stay away from human and livestock if a sound management plan is in place.

At a time, when the health of the natural world is under assault on every hand, it's essential that the FWS, the agency that we trust to oversee our continent's wild treasures, act quickly to protect the wolf and other large predators. We're counting on you.

Sincerely,

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I have been following the attempts to reintroduce the Mexican Wolf closely

since the beginning of the program and also attended the scoping session held in Socorro recently. I feel that one of the problems with the designated wolf area is that it is too small, but mainly it ignores the fact that the area should really include the Gila Forest and extend to the east through the Black Range, San Mateos and the Magdalena Mountains. There is no real boundary within these areas as the elk herd discovered many years ago when these ranges were repopulated by elk migrating from the Gila. Greater dispersal should mitigate the constant human handling of wolves that violate the boundary to relocate them. Currently livestock depredations are compensated and I feel that should continue but users of public land should recognize that these animals have an historic right to their place in the ecosystem, as do elk, deer, coyotes, bears, and mountain lions.

Aid should be available to ranchers to remove carcasses of livestock that die of natural causes to lessen the attraction to wolves.

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Dr. Mr. Millsap,
I am writing to express my concern over the problems surrounding the wolf recovery program. They will never recover if they continue to be killed. I

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The Endangered Species Act is a law and I ask why ranchers are being allowed dictate what happens to our state's wolves rather than being held accountable to the law? I think our forced microchipping here in Albuquerque is an invasion of a bit of choice but we have to follow the rules! If your office is afraid of violence being threatened by the ranching community (and I believe that threat is real) then get some armed officers down there and take control. A few cannot be allowed to intimidate in violation of public law and citizens' rights to say how their public lands shall be used. This is not 1870 and you all need to get tough and enforce the law or give it up and quit killing wolves. Right now we are not doing wolves any good and are wasting a lot of money.

In the new rule writing please consider forcing ranchers to remove the dead animals that litter the wolf habitat...it might help to not teach them to like beef. Make them responsible for policing and protecting their herds.

Cowboys and Anatolian Shepherds are a good idea but I sure hope Defenders of Wildlife doesn't have to pay for that too. The best thing would be to ban the cattle from public lands, pay them more money for wrecking the public's property if you must, and make ranchers responsible and unsubsidized. Send the cattle home and get this wolf program in shape!

If we can fix this program, not only will we repair our ecosystems, but programs like ours and like the Yellowstone reintroduction are examples and inspirations to others around the world who are trying to save their elephants, cheetahs, or panda bears. It is a global issue and a moral one. It's time to start taking care of our planet and giving wildlife some respect and some space. They were here first!

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