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Dear Sir:

I understand that USFWS is soliciting "scoping" comments for a new EIS addressing wolf recovery. I think everyone on both sides of the issue would agree that the reintroduction is a dismal failure for a variety of reasons. The wolves in NM. and Arizona need to be able to roam beyond the artificial boundaries of the recovery area, and shooting and trapping must halt if this plan is to continue. I understand that it is almost impossible to police this area.. I volunteer at a wolf research center in NM. I have observed that these wolves work well as a pack if they are kept together and if the mother teaches the pups to eat wild game instead of cattle. They cannot learn to do this if they are being shot at and captured. Ranchers should be required to practice responsible husbandry, including disposal of livestock carcasses, penned calving areas and predator hazing tactics. I think the majority of them have shown that they are unwilling to do this. This program is expensive and it is the responsibility of the reintroduction program to either persuade the people in the area to work with them or to consider the use of another area for reintroduction --perhaps the area around the Grand Canyon. There at least there would be easier to protect the wolves.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
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Attn: Mexican Gray Wolf NEPA Scoping

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I think wolves are essential to maintain a balance. The recovery plan needs to be updated in a scientific, orderly way, focussing on wolf survival, not control. The plan should not limit wolves' range - they shouldn't be captured and relocated if they cross an invisible line. Their area should be expanded, not restricted, and they shouldn't be removed. The plan should include a requirement that ranchers remove dead animals to not attract wolves, and a way to compensate ranchers for losses. The plan should not limit future recovery plans in any way.

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As a nation we need to conserve our wildlife. The ecosystem needs to be in balance. This ecosystem balance includes animals like the Mexican Wolf. There is no need to control their numbers. They end up controlling their own population if left to their own range. Their main prey are deer and elk. The wolf population would go up and down in reflection of that.

Christopher Bode
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- Faxed comments may be sent to (505) 346-2542

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Comments: Most of the native population (Human) in the re-introduction areas are very much against the re-introduction for some very good reasons. Mainly because the wolves became habituated to humans and there ~~are~~ ^{more} already been documented attacks on humans. Secondly the payment for predated stock is never going to work because of documentation or lack of in remote areas and livestock cannot be brought in to small pastured for birthing because of the arid conditions. At present no one is allowed to protect livestock and property on deeded land which is a travesty and unconstitutional and the investigative process is very hard on the people involved.

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Comments: I Believe that the release of wolfs are a detriment to not only Ranchers, but to the General Public. They will enter me Gal with all kinds of people's children " If they are released I would require compensation enough to be able to retire from the ranching business OR

Build a Fence that will keep the wolves out.

If introduction of the wolf then there shall be a cut of point of breeding Males & Females, and out mated. Go in to delisting without any lawsuits and will auto make go the the State Game & Fish

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