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I have long been a supporter of a balanced and well functioning ecosystem in our beautiful state. I was appalled to hear of HB 3515. To purposely choose to eliminate or not include gray wolves from ever being included on the state's list of threatened or endangered species is outrageous. They are a native species and should be managed with protection until the population is fully recovered like other native wildlife species.

Hopefully we are well on our way to recovery. Oregon Dept of Fish and Wildlife is doing a good job of managing our wolf population which is has increased and wolf depredation has decreased consistently.

Wolf and livestock conflicts can be minimized with good deterrent programs. There are several organizations including Defenders of Wildlife that offer support, education, and outreach. The Wood River Wolf Project in the Blaine Idaho area is great example of creating coexistence between people and wildlife.

There is absolutely no scientific, or logical reason to remove or exclude the the native gray wolf from the state's list of threatened or endangered species. I am an Oregon Native too! I say strongly defeat HB 3515.

Thank you for adding my comments,

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