

Raszka Shelley

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To: Raszka Shelley
Subject: Protect the wolves

I want my comment, as one of the many, to go on record regarding the attempt to pass a bill that will reduce protections for wolves in Oregon.

Firstly, this is heinous, and not representative of the majority of Oregonians' sentiments. I personally love Oregon for the scenery, nature parks, and wildlife that can be observed. Oregon has a tremendous reputation as a wildlife-friendly state, wolves included. Reducing protections for wolves does not reflect the positive reputation Oregon has garnered as being one of the few states that offers true, nearly untouched wilderness. And as for farmers' complaints--it is their job to protect their livestock and there are a myriad of ways to do that without eradicating wolf populations and being conscious of wildlife. If they cannot manage their livestock and protect it in the least harmful way to surrounding wildlife, that is their problem. Please don't turn us into Idaho. Please don't ruin Oregon.

Sincerely,

Cindy Shepard