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A new bill (HB3515) in the Oregon Legislature would prevent gray wolves from every being included on the state's list of threatened or endangered species.

It has been scientifically demonstrated time and time again that wolves are an important for ecosystem health, contributing to the vitality of the great ungulate herds and having far reaching beneficial effects on songbirds, biodiversity, even water conservation. It would be a disaster not to support the full restoration of wolves. I'm sure that you can understand and appreciate their importance to the ecosystem of Oregon.

Farmers and ranchers are having an understandably hard time dealing with wolves on the landscape again. It is important to fully support farmers and ranchers, but simply killing wolves or not recognizing their importance and trying our best to live with them is not the best way to do this.

There have not been wolves in Oregon for even 10 years yet. It is way too soon to write them off. Please have a heart and open it to the wolves. They do not deserve the untrue reputation that some people are spreading about them. Read the good things about wolves--not just the bad things--please look at and accept and follow the science.

Thank you,  
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