

**Raszka Shelley**

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**From:** Kathleen Fleet <danthepoodle@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 15, 2015 5:36 PM  
**To:** Raszka Shelley  
**Subject:** wolves

To Whom it may Concern;

I am writing today to urge you to leave wolves on the endangered species list. As a resident of Eastern Oregon, I live in the part of the state that has the highest concentration of wolves. Yet most people here have never even heard or seen one.

Seventy seven wolves is NOT enough to consider them recovered. It is going to take protection to allow wolves to make a come back. That is what the endangered species act is all about and we should not be bullied into delisting animals to please special interest groups. There is so much hatred toward these beautiful creatures that any lack of protection would lead to people taking advantage and killing them at any possible opportunity. In this part of the state, it is not unusual to be taking your family on a walk on a popular hiking trail and see dead coyotes, full of bullet holes, killed for fun, because of a lack of protection. I assure you, if you remove protection of wolves this will be their fate as well.

Public lands and the wildlife they contain is the property of all americans, not just the ranchers. I want to be able to hike and hear wolves at night, and I want my children and grandchildren to experience that as well. It is up to us to protect these beautiful creatures. Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

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