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Deanna Bailey <deeanthrobailey@gmail.com> Wednesday, April 15, 2015 12:03 PM Raszka Shelley Oregon's Wolves - My submittal

Hello:

I am writing to you to express my concern over HB 3515 regarding the Oregon Legislature preventing gray wolves from being included on Oregon's list of threatened or endangered species. How can we single out a natural predictor who's numbers are threatened to begin with? These wolves are an integral part of our state's natural history and should be protected. Without protection our native wolves would live a questionable future.

Removing the wolves from the threatened or endangered list due to their numbers increasing to 77, and having four breeding pairs in eastern Oregon, then stating that there is little probability of wolves declining or going extinct is one thing (ODFW). Especially when qualified conversationalists and environmentalists are keeping public records of the well being of the wolves numbers. This would also ensure that the wolves, if threatened once again, could be placed upon the list once again until their numbers increased. However, for representatives of our state to propose a bill to ensure that these wolves will not receive protection in the future is heartless, not well thought out, and insensitive to the natural history of our state. As an Oregon resident I DO NOT support HB 3515 and feel that is shameful that it is even being considered.

I stand with the wolves. I do not support HB 3515.

Regards, Deanna Bailey Beaverton, OR