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Please do not shoot down HB3515. As an avid outdoorsman and conservationist I have seen the massive impact these non native wolves are doing to our state. To start the delisting process is the only way we are going to be able to manage these animals. Let me give you a few examples of how many more wolves we have in this state than the 77 reported. Two years ago my wife and I were hunting in the cinnamon butte wilderness just east of Lemolo lake, when we became surrounded by a pack of howling wolves. My wife who has never so much as had a speeding ticket was willing to shoot she was so afraid. That is not an area of known wolf activity yet I saw several of them. Next time do I shoot them to defend my family and prove their existence?

In Harney county I reported that on my trail camera I had pictures of wolves, and ODFW said they must be feral dogs because we don't have wolves here. My father in law and I have seen the big black male twice. I know where there are at least 5 in this pack a black a grey and 3 brown pups as of last summer. Last fall I had to put down a ranchers partially eaten cow that was left do die by that pack of wolves. I know wolves did it because of the tracks around the cow.

If we do not act now in delisting these predators they will become over populated and create as big a problem or worse than the cougars.

Thank you

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