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I feel we need to have the use of dogs to help us hunters out and help out the farmers. The population of cougars has exploded and there habits have changed impacting our wildlife and livestock. They cougars don't fear man anymore which is extremely scary. Think of it this way if you run out of sheep or goats and that cat sees one of your children playing outside it might think oh look an easy meal. A cougar could take a child in a heartbeat. The use of hounds to manage the cougar population. Right there like I said to "manage the population" it will help out the deer and Elk population because I want to have a future in being able to take my kids hunting and fishing like I did growing up. There has to be a balance between cougars and bears and deer and Elk when the scales get tipped or over populated then the other side perishes or struggles to survive or gets driven into radical behavior like the cougars are doing right now, killing tons of livestock just for sport that isn't like cats and the farmers have to pay for it. So please please bring back the Hounds.