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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

We, as a species living on this planet , have no right to choose what other species dies to make life better or worse for our own sake or in the name of profit. Wolves and other apex predators call this planet home. We are not God. We did not create this world and we don't have the right to destroy it either. Make laws to protect live stock by better containment guidelines and farmer practices. Thank you.

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### Q1

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### Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am writing today in support of Commissioner Brookes amendment to the 2024-2025 wolf hunting and trapping regulations. I wholeheartedly support a return to the historic WMU 313 and 316, with quotas of 3 wolves for each. Hopefully this will decrease the likelihood of Yellowstone wolves taking the brunt of the hunting/trapping season. Thank you.

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Q1

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Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioner Brooke:

Thank you for proposing to split the current Wolf Management Unit WMU 313 back into two separate units - WMU 313 and WMU 316, with a harvest quota of 3 wolves in each unit.

As a local business owner, I fully support this proposal. Splitting the unit back into two units, with reasonable quotas in each unit, would significantly improve wolf management north of Yellowstone. This proposal would preserve wolf harvest opportunities while reducing the likelihood that entire packs would be eliminated, and it would spread human-caused wolf mortality and wolf harvest opportunities across a broader and more diverse landscape.

This proposal is critical to preserving opportunities for people to observe wolves in Yellowstone, an opportunity which brings several billion dollars per year into our local economy, including supporting my small business and my family.

Thank you for this proposal.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Bulin  
Yellowstone Wildlife Profiles, LLC

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Region 3 and specifically Wolf Management Unit 313 are different from all other regions in the state of Montana. This area contains the vast majority of guide services and businesses that serve clients who want to view wolves in the wild. The closer you get to Yellowstone National Park the positive impact of wolves for the tourism industry increases and the negative impact of wolves on the livestock industry decreases. In this unique zone adjacent to YNP (WMU 313) the wolf is a valuable economic and social asset. Excessive harvest in this zone is detrimental for the economy in the area surrounding Gardiner, Montana.

There are several rules in the current Montana wolf hunting and trapping regulations that in combination could kill or irreparably harm entire packs of YNP wolves. Because one hunter can harvest as many as 10 wolves and combined with shooting over bait and using night vision scopes, one or two skilled marksman with silenced rifles can kill many wolves in one shooting event. When one pack is removed or dramatically impacted it has a negative effect on overall wolf pack stability within the Park. When wolf packs are destabilized in this region, correspondingly wolf watching businesses are also impacted. A mass wolf shooting event may have already occurred in 2021/22 with the elimination of the Phantom Lake Pack.

The Brooke Amendment will revive two Wolf Management Units ( WMU 313/WMU 316) on the border of YNP. This would prevent the entire quota of 6 from being focused on a limited geographic area. It would also be less likely that one single wolf pack would be decimated by a concentrated shooting event. This Amendment would lower the negative impact of excessive transboundary mortality on Yellowstone wolves. The Brooke Amendment would also decrease the negative impact that Montana's wolf season has on the local community that relies on wolf viewing for their winter economy. Please approve the Brooke Amendment.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As a member of the Yellowstone Center for Resources team that restored wolves to the park, I am deeply disappointed by the insistence by CPW to promote the killing of naive park wolves that venture across an invisible boundary, only to die for the pleasure of one hunter, at the expense of hundreds of thousands of visitors who come to the area to see them, bringing \$82 million per year to the regional economy, My recommendation for change to regulations related to WMU 313 and 316 are to comply as minimally as possible to the law that the legislature foisted upon the department, and monitor the area to prevent overkill.

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### Q1

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### Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support Commissioner Brooke's Amendment to the Wolf Regulation. I hope you are not adding 3 wolves to Region 316. Please change the total harvest to 331, this 23 more wolves compared to 2023-2024 season. There are fewer wolves in Montana now compared to 2022. Given a chance, the wolves will control CWD threat to ungulate and can help us with our environmental problems.

Thank you for giving us opportunity to comment.  
Ayako Moulton

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### Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I've visited Gardiner to see the wolves and loved it. It's unfortunate that the animals which are protected in Yellowstone are so vulnerable to hunting when they're not accustomed to humans being a danger. What is ironic is wolves may be our best protection against chronic wasting disease, which is similar to mad cow disease and spreading among the deer and elk population. Wolves also have a social structure in which the loss of their leader can lead to the pack going hungry and then attacking domestic animals. The environment of Yellowstone has flourished since the return of wolves.

I'm a lot more likely to return to Yellowstone and encourage others to do so if you take it easier on the wolves. Thanks for your consideration.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please split the areas back to 313 and 316 to protect packs located near Yellowstone. Wolves shouldn't be allowed to be hunted anyway.

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please restore WMU 313 and 316 to their original boundaries, and lower the limit of wolves taken from both of them. Better yet - eliminate wolf hunting/taking completely.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

i support this amendment.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Based on known science and the importance of wolves in this area to the Gardiner and surrounding area economy, I support Commissioner Brooke's amendment to reinstate WMU's 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota between the two hunting districts. .

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Thank you for your support in the amendment to separate Areas 316 and 313. Hunting on the borders of the national park seems to be unfair sport. And that is only one of many reasons to limit the number of wolf tags. Thank you so much.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Reading the Amendment and Department Response there is a sentence that says there has been no wolf depredation in that area for years. YEARS! There is no need or legit rationale to kill any wolves in that area or anywhere else for that matter.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioner Brooke: I am adamantly opposed to any and all wolf hunting, wolf whacking, wolf killing in any way. Please do not allow this to continue. It is not our Montana way of respecting nature and living with it. I am an elk hunter, so it's not that I am opposed to all hunting. But there is no place to kill wolves ethically. None. Sincerely, Savannah Barnes Montana resident since 1986, in Wyoming since 1970

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

well you're not going to like this, but it should be lowered to Zero. Wolves should not be allowed to be hunted at all in my opinion. T do Therefore, I do not not like the amendment.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I agree with the amendment. Divide 313 back to original with 316. Split the 6 wolf quota but 4 with 2/2 would be even better. Hunting Yellowstone wolves isn't really fair hunting as they are more used to people than other wolves. They are also the most well-known wolves in the world and bring many tourists to see them, which greatly enhances the economy. Thank you.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Hunting wolves in my mind should not be allowed after the costly efforts and funding to reintroduce wolves to the Yellowstone Region. At the very least the locations next to the Park are not in the spirit of fair chase. It is a proven fact that the wolves offer a huge financial benefit to the county's and region's economy. And we also know due to scientific research that the ecosystem does not operate at a whole without the full presence of the wolves in the Yellowstone region. I support the reinstatement of WMU's reinstatement to 313 and 316 and the splitting of the wolf quota in half or less to each to better ensure the longevity and wholeness of the packs as they have evolved to sustain themselves and the wild of the region.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support of the reinstatement of WMU's 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota, or even lowering it further. Wolves are essential to our local tourism economy.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves deserve our protection. Allowing them to be relentlessly hunted is wrongful. The rules and laws need to reflect our respect for them.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Thank you for proposing this much needed amendment. I have a home in Livingston and property in Silver Gate. Both towns benefit greatly from wolf tourism, especially important in winter. I am a certified Montana and Yellowstone National Park (YNP) Master Naturalist. I have personally heard negative statements by out of state tourist that they will no longer enter YNP via Park County due to the wolf kills in this area of Park County.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Return to the 313 and 316 blocs.

Better yet eliminate wolf "hunting" all together?

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## Q1

Contact information:

Name: **Holly Manno**

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I wish to see wildlife, live, and in the wild. I wish that we honored the wild animals and respected their right to life more than we respected somebody's right to destroy an animal. They will never eat. Sportsmanship and hunting no longer connect. When I think of hunters, I think of people who like to get together and kill things, and don't even eat the animal when they're done. The meat does not go to the needy. It's just an animal killed for someone's entertainment. You could create ecotourism around these animals and people would love to visit Montana.

I wanted to visit Montana, and with all the hunting, I'm so turned off. It is difficult to see such gorgeous nature and know how many people want to destroy it. I don't understand blaming traditions or "meat" when most of the hunters I know don't eat their kill.

Bique, and ban the killing of wolves in Montana. If you do that, I will be so excited to visit, and in fact, maybe I'll even move there. I want to live somewhere beautiful in nature, but I don't want a neighbor who would kill the animal I'd marvel over.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I disagree with this amendment

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# #24

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Commissioner Brooke's proposal is both fair to conservationists and the hunting community (as the total number is not actually reduced). As a property owner in Park County I fully support the proposal. Joe Armbrust

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# #25

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I heartily support Commissioner Kirby Brooke's Amendment, request that you honor it by the reinstatement of WMU's 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota, or lowering it even further. This is critical to the survival of the Yellowstone wolf packs.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support this amendment. I run a tourism business in Paradise Valley. Splitting the WMU will return it to fair chase hunting along the northern range instead of road-side hunting in Jardine and Beattie gulch. More importantly, it will prevent total disruption of a single pack (that loses 6 wolves) who then disperse and produce more pups, which is the opposite of what the State legislature is asking FWP to manage more.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please protect wolves. They are sentient beings who balance their ecosystem as apex predators. Their lives have value to the community.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support the reinstatement of WMUs 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota. In fact, I support lowering the quota even further. This change could significantly improve wolf management and reduce impacts on Yellowstone National Park's iconic wolves.

Wolves are valuable to Park County's economy. Wolf watching in Yellowstone brings in at least \$82 million annually to surrounding communities. This money supports guides, hotels, restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations and many other businesses. Overall, tourism creates 3,270 jobs – three-out-of-five – in Park County.

Hunting Yellowstone's wolves isn't fair chase. Wolves leaving Yellowstone National Park are not wary of humans because they're exposed to humans year-round. When hunters near Yellowstone bait the wolves across the park's border, this is not fair chase hunting.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Susan,

To combine the boundaries to one, 313 is fine, however to allow 6 wolves is not viable. These wolves will be Yellowstone's wolves. All somewhat habitual to humans. These wolves are important to all of us and not to a few hunters.

Please Susan reduce the quota of wolves taken.

Thank you for your consideration

Carol Yerden

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support the reinstatement of WMU's 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota, or even lowering it further. Wolves are valuable to Park County's economy. Wolf watching in Yellowstone brings in at least \$82 million annually to surrounding communities. This money supports guides, hotels, restaurants, grocery stores, gas stations and many other businesses. Overall, tourism creates 3,270 jobs – three-out-of-five – in Park County.

Wildlife watching, specifically wolves, brings people to Park County. Wildlife watching is the second-most popular activity in Park County. The wolf packs along Yellowstone's northern range are easily visible from the road, and Yellowstone is considered the best place in the world to observe wild wolves. This brings visitors to this unique place.

Hunting Yellowstone's wolves isn't fair chase. Wolves leaving Yellowstone National Park are not wary of humans because they're exposed to humans year-round. When hunters near Yellowstone bait the wolves across the park's border, this is not fair chase hunting. Thank you.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support the amendment reinstating WMUs 313 and 316. This will help ensure that wolf packs near Yellowstone National Park are not wiped out. Wolf watching is a huge part of the local economy of Gardiner and the surrounding area.

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# #32

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As the Director of the Explore Livingston Coalition, our Destination Stewardship and Sustainable Tourism plans include advocating for premium wildlife watching opportunities which bring millions of dollars to our community and region. We support the proposal to return to two separate WMUs into 313 and 316 to mitigate concentrated killing of Yellowstone wolf packs at our Northern entrance to the Park. We entreat FYP to split the current quota of six wolves into three wolves per unit or reduce the quota altogether. Thank you for your consideration.

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# #33

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Regarding the Amendment to Wolf Regulations in Region 3, please base your recommendations on the science and biology of wolf population dynamics.

Do not get lured into the notion of sociology and political science being "science" because they are not true sciences.

Regarding the fact that there is a lot of revenue coming into Montana and the Greater Yellowstone region because of wolf-watchers, trust me, these people will keep coming regardless of the number of wolves in the area.

Do consider raising the limits on the wolf harvest up to the level of sustainability of that population based on true science and not social/political "science".

Thank you,  
Jeff Rader  
Emigrant

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# #34

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

No killing wolves with snowmobiles or any other vehicle. They are an essential part of the ecosystem so leave them alone - no hunting them!!

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Stop killing the wolves! They are sacred animals. Who will clean the carrion off the thousand hills if you kill all our carnivores? We will have a pandemic that will make Covid 19 look like lollipops if we don't do our due diligence. Stop killing the wolves!

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# #36

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The fewer Yellowstone wolves killed the better. Tourists wanting to see wolves bring millions of dollars a year to businesses in MT. Wolf killers bring almost no \$\$ to the state. Keep the wildlife killing to an absolute minimum.

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Q1

Contact information:

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Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioner Brooke:

I support the proposed amendment to revert Wolf Management Unit 313 to the historical boundaries of WMU 313 and WMU 316. I would like to see the harvest quota of 1 each per unit.

My family has owned and operated a business in Gardiner for the past 16 years and I have witnessed the positive impact wolves have on Gardiner's (and Park County) businesses and economy.

I have seen people from all over the world beam with delight after seeing wolves in the Lamar Valley. Some have told me it was a life changing experience seeing a wolf in the wild and couldn't believe there are wolves in Montana. Children especially have touched my heart, describing in vivid detail how they saw wolf pups scurry around outside the den; an experience that will last a lifetime.

Commissioner Brooke, I must express my opinion on the use of snares. Snares should be illegal, trapping on itself is barbaric, and the possibility of my dog or the neighbor's dog being choked to death in a snare is a sight that will be seared in one's mind forever. There is simply no need for the use of snares.

Thank you again for proposing this amendment.

Respectfully,  
T.A.Wagner

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I agree with this annulment. Even putting it down to 4.  
This is very important on many levels. Wolf's bring a lot of revenue to Montana.  
They bring a lit of positive diversity to the animal world.  
Thanks so much for considering this. Please co tact me with any questions or concerns

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#39

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Yellowstone park used to be for viewing of all western game and non-game species. Wolves have exerted great pressure on all other species, sometimes decimating heads, such as moose on the Highlands. Montana should not cave into demands of people whose understanding of bio-systems comes from watching "Bambi" and Grizzly Adam's. More Wolves need to be thinned. These are separate species of Canadian wolf and not native to USA. Taking only aged/infirm animals is fairytale. They kill healthy, adult beef, horses. Repayment doesn't cover the damage done to the visit. Thank you,

John "STEVE" Yapuncich pob 305. Wyola MT 59089

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# #40

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I do not think that the regs should change from last year.

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# #41

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## Q1

Contact information:

Name: **Kim Casper**  
City/Town: **Livingston**  
State/Province: **MT**  
Email Address: **Commissioner Kirby Brooke's Amendment, and encourage you to submit a public comment in support of the reinstatement of WMU's 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota, or even lowering it further.**

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please accept Commissioner Kirby Brooke's Amendment and reinstatement of WMU's 313 & 316, and the splitting of the six wolf quota, lowering it further, or end this barbaric practice all together.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am a Wisconsin consumer who has visited Park County, Montana, numerous times and in the process have contributed over \$20,000 directly to the tourism industry in WMU Regions 3 and 313. In an effort to prudently manage the state's wolf population, I strongly advocate for Commissioner Brooke's proposed amendments. Her judicious proposal acknowledges the area's thriving, non-consumptive ecotourism industry and more carefully distributes wolf mortality, which helps preserve the stability of the packs that primarily reside in Yellowstone National Park. On behalf of all interested stakeholders, including those who reside outside of Montana, I thank MFWP for your diligent efforts to solicit and consider varying perspectives concerning the challenging and emotionally charged management of wolves.

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# #43

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I spend two months a year at Yellowstone to watch wolves and other wildlife. I stay at Silver Gate and spend time in Cody. I spend a lot of money in Montana. In the future I will stay in West Yellowstone unless this amendment passes. The value of tourists in Montana must be enormous. The PR of shooting wolves is deadly to that area of tourism for the state. But even more importantly, these Yellowstone wolves live most of their lives in Wyoming and a few hunters get their trophies. Splitting the area into two areas will at least spread the likelihood more hunters will get their prey and contributes to the balance of wildlife in Yellowstone. Please accept my comments which are made with respect to the position you are in. Thank you.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I strongly support the proposal to revert back to the previous WMU's of 313 and 316 north of Yellowstone National Park.

Montana has lost it's reputation for responsible wildlife management, largely due to our politically driven mismanagement of wolves, and it's time to start trying to get it back.

Yellowstone's wolves generate far more revenue, and create far more jobs, than hunting or ranching does in that area, we just don't have as effective of a political lobby behind our wildlife tourism industry. Economics and science are on the side of reinstating more responsible wolf management near YNP.

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# #45

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Hello,

Thanks for the opportunity to comment on my support of Commissioner Brooke's Wolf Regs Amendment. The proposal is an excellent idea to solve the killing of too many Yellowstone wolves in a location that is relatively easy to access and probably too easy to kill wolves that are used to seeing humans as a non threat. As an Idaho hunter I adhere to the concept of fair chase and in my mind at least this area and park wolves don't meet that standard. By splitting the unit not much hunting opportunity is lost for Montana hunters and much is gained for park research, visitor enjoyment and Montana business interests.

Thanks,

Michael Bickley  
Pocatello, Idaho

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# #46

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please:

- Eliminate use of snares set for wolves on public land.
- Require 24-hour trap checks.
- Prohibit the use of bait.
- Close killing wolves in known CWD elk/deer units.
- Reduce the wolf quotas in elk/deer overpopulated units.
- Reduce wolf trapping season to Jan 1- February 15 and limit further based on weather conditions and/or presence of grizzlies.
- Close the wolf hunting season Feb 15.
- Close units outside Yellowstone within 12 hours of reaching quota.
- Utilize substantiated peer review methodology to estimate wolf population. IPOM has significant criticisms from credible scientists.
- Provide the public with any known trapping of lynx, grizzly, or wolverine.
- Increase transparency as the public has a right to know.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I'm a constituent and I oppose any anti-endangered species riders in the the Interior Appropriations Bill

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# #48

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## Q1

Contact information:

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**State/Province:** MT

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I SUPPORT the amendment and implore the board corrects the boundaries in order to not harm local economic activity surrounding GYE.

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# #49

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Baiting and trapped of the wolf's is inhumane treatment of a living animals. I think we should stop this type of treatment. I also agree that we need to go back to the two managment units not just one.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support Commissioner Susan Kirby Brookes amendment and agree with Yellowstone Park Superintendent Cameron Sholly's entire letter.

Specifically, I support splitting the current Wolf Management Unit WMU 313 back into two separate units - WMU 313 and WMU 316, with a harvest quota of 3 or less wolves in each unit. What I REALLY want is no wolf harvest in those units as there is no documented evidence of significant livestock depredation to warrant killing wolves near the Park.

Millions of people visit Yellowstone annually wanting to see wolves and other wildlife which greatly benefits the economies of WY and MT. I have spent 10 days or more in Yellowstone annually since 2003 primarily to watch and learn about wolves. Over those 20 years, I have easily spent \$60,000 - \$80,000 on vehicle rental, lodging, groceries and restaurants.

The economic benefits of visitors from all over the world coming to Yellowstone to see wolves and wildlife must be a prime consideration in wolf management plans. Less wolves and harder to see wolves because a pack that lost its leaders has split up make for less happy visitors.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Hello-

I support the proposal to split the current Wolf Management Unit WMU 313 back into two separate units - WMU 313 and WMU 316 in order to protect Yellowstone wolves. Wolves in Yellowstone are used to seeing many humans, so they often do not have the "normal" fear of humans which leads to a disproportionate number of them being killed in hunting.

In addition, I support reducing the quota from the current MWU from its current level of 6 (or three in each proposed WMU) to 2 or even zero. Predation has not been a problem in that area, and the elimination of entire packs due to hunting only serves to reduce the number of wolves present for Yellowstone visitors to enjoy. This is a case where the needs of the many (the park's visitors and the people in the towns around the park who depend on them for their livelihood) outweigh the few hunters in that area. Those hunters can hunt somewhere else.

My husband and I spend every summer in Idaho (Pocatello) in our summer home, and we travel to the Gardiner area multiple times each summer. We are avid wolf watchers, and we spend a very significant amount of money on travel, lodging, food, and guides in Montana and the towns around the park each year (including Gardiner, West Yellowstone, and Cooke City). In addition, friends of ours from Virginia travel to Montana to join us in wolf watching every year. The wolves are such a special part of Yellowstone, and people from around the world travel to see them.

Please make the proposed change to the wolf management areas to protect Yellowstone's wolves.

Best,

Shawn Shields Lyons

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# #52

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please reduce the number of wolves to be killed...from 6 to 4..once quota is met stop...please put a 24 hour mandatory check on wolf traps..and start listening to us that do not wish to kill and enjoy our wildlife...we have rights too since one third of Montana is federal lands

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# #53

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I believe that the return to 2 separate WMU's into 313 and 316 is in the best interest of the wolf population. Also, splitting the current quota of six wolves into three wolves per unit represents better wildlife management.

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# #54

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

For 20 years we have been avid wolf watchers in Yellowstone National Park. This season (2023/24) we spent 14 days in the Park and had 7 nights of Lodging. On those overnights there were additional expenditures of dinners, groceries and gasoline. As Montana residents we contribute to the 80 million winter economy associated with wolf watching in YNP.

Once again the local economy and YNP wildlife viewing is under threat from excessively high quotas in WMU 313. Because of the high quota and the "anything goes" Montana wolf hunting regulations, there were an extraordinary number of wolves poached after the official end of wolf hunting season. WMU 313 was closed on December 27, 2023 after reaching the legal limit of 6 YNP wolves. At least 3 probably more YNP wolves were killed after that, this exceeds the intended harvest by at least 150%. The Commission must reduce the quota for WMU 313 to curb this illegal harvest. I request a quota for WMU 313 for next year to be an absolute minimum of 4.

If the Commission is resistant to lowering the quota for WMU 313, the Brooke Amendment is an excellent compromise. The Brooke Amendment would redistribute the wolf kills more evenly along the entire border of Montana and YNP. The Commission does have responsibility for protecting the economy in the Gardiner region from over harvest of Yellowstone wolves and the Brooke Amendment would help in that regard. Please approve the Brooke Amendment.

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# #55

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

It's simple: Stop the slaughter of wolves that leave the Yellowstone Nat'l Park boundaries; there should be no wolf hunting at all in this area and the area should even be extended.

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# #56

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The amendment to the Wolf Regulations proposed by Commissioner Brooke at the request of the Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park, should be adopted. As stated in the Amendment, "There have been no livestock depredations in or near WMU 313 or 316 for years." That being the case, the Amendment should be changed to alter the wolf kill quota in each WMU from 3 to 0. Otherwise, there is no justification for any quota.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support this amendment to restore the former boundaries of 313 and 316 with the current quota of 6 split between the two (3 wolves in each) as in Commissioner Kirby Brooke's amendment. Too many Yellowstone packs and groups are being eliminated in the Gardiner Basin and Jardine area. These are the same packs that I rely on for showing to my clients through my business. Pack elimination removes the very asset that my guests pay me to show them and it also cause disruptions in behavior and social structure of surviving packs within the park which further impairs viewing success. My year-round wildlife watching business sustains me and my employees. It is my everything. I appreciate these efforts to find a balanced solution to the varying needs and opportunities in our diverse local community.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please consider balancing the goals of the hunting community with the goals of the conservation community. There is now an international audience when it comes to predator hunting in and around Yellowstone. Many humans agree that wolves have intrinsic value. They are a keystone species and they are at the heart of healthy ecosystems. It should not be overlooked that their social bonds are such that the loss of pack members can disband entire groups. Displaying dedication to thoughtful policies can only bring Montana, Wyoming and Idaho more tourism dollars. Many people are fascinated with wolves and they show it with their wallets. Please consider collaborating with the Parks to find the best outcomes for people and wolves. Thank you for your consideration.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Splitting 313 back into 2 units again (per Cam Sholly's request) will be the same as reducing the wolf quota in half. They know very few people or wolves frequent 316 and therefore there's a much smaller chance that those 3 will be killed. I see wolves from my home on a regular basis in the winter and I know there are far more of them than they'll ever admit. There shouldn't even be a buffer zone quota for wolves, anywhere in Montana. Don't let the talking heads of Yellowstone Park tell us how to manage our wildlife in Montana!

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I politely request former Commissioner Byorth's proposal of a maximum 4 wolf quota. Thanks so much

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# #61

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support the proposal to return to two separate WMUs (313 & 316 as previously delineated), with the split of quota between the two units (three in 313 & three in 316). Wolf quota numbers within these two units should be as low as possible.

I am a year-round resident of Cooke City, Montana. Wildlife pass through the area without regard to official boundary lines. The town and businesses of Cooke City took a significant negative publicity and economic hit when the well-known Lamar Canyon Pack alpha female wolf 926F was legally shot and killed less than two miles east of the Northeast Entrance. The stigmatism that Cooke City is not a wildlife friendly town is still reverberating through the wildlife tourism industry, nearly six years after this incident.

The legal killing of wolves greatly affects the economics and relationships in the tiny gateway community of Cooke City/Silver Gate/Colter Pass. The best wolf hunting practice for the northern boundary of Yellowstone National Park is to limit the quota as much as possible. There are numerous other WMUs in which wolf hunting doesn't negatively impact a community.

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## Q1

Contact information:

Name: **Lex**

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

There should be a maximum total 4 wolfquota.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are an essential part of the ecosystem and should be PROTECTED, NOT TRAPPED OR RUN OVER BY VEHICLES... Stop killing and torturing them.

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# #64

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please cease wolf hunting/trapping in regions adjacent to Yellowstone NP. For 10 years, my family & I have traveled to observe wolves in the park. This year, we boycotted Wyoming for its botched handling of the Daniels wolf torture incident. Please don't compel us to do the same in Montana next summer by failing to act now to protect Yellowstone wolves from needless slaughter. Thank you for your time, & I hope you'll do the right thing.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are an important part of the ecosystem. They are an admirable species and deserve to live in peace!

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**Q1**

Contact information:

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Larger buffers against wolf slaughter at Yellowstone and Glacier are necessary.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please stop the killing of wolves! They are part of the ecosystem in Yellowstone! You kill them, you kill Yellowstone!

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#69

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### Q1

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### Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

End the cruel trapping of all animals not just wolves. It's barbaric.

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# #70

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Stop killing all of the wolves! This is nothing but hateful, cruel and horrible to do this. It has become like a master minded game. not just killing but also torturing! The only humans who have a right to feel threatened by wolves are ranchers If the wolves are killing their stock.

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# #71

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Stop the senseless slaughter. Humans can be so ruthless 😞

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#72

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

BAN all hunting of wolves adjacent to Yellowstone NP!! This needs to be banned. Wolves don't know what a border is. This killing is despicable and cruel and senseless!

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#73

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Q1

Contact information:

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Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Judith L. Moore, Florence, MT

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am writing to support the proposed Wolf Regs Amendment. Splitting WMU 313 into two sections and allowing 3 wolves to be harvested in each would be a positive direction to take. My family has been going to Yellowstone at least once a year for over twenty years and I've always paid attention to the state's wolf management plans. This one makes sense.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please take a systems approach in your managing of wildlife. Ask yourself what is best for the ecosystem not for the loudest voice with the deepest pockets.

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Q1

Contact information:

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Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

Please end wolf hunting and trapping adjacent to Yellowstone National Park near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. These are Yellowstone wolves enjoyed by the viewing public and did not have any history of livestock depredation. It is time to recognize the value of unmolested wolves in Yellowstone and not kill them if they wander out of the Park.

Yellowstone wolves in the past have provided important information on the lives of wolves including how their social structure works when they are not regularly harassed and killed by people. Last season's killing of 11 wolves disrupted the pack organization of 3 packs resulting in the loss of those packs. As a biologist I am concerned with the loss of information on intact pack functioning when wolves are hunted and the alpha male and female are disproportionately killed because of their roles in defending their offspring..

Live wolves viewed by visitors to Greater Yellowstone are worth more money than dead ones. A University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. It harms the local economy, reduces the scientific value and decreases recreational opportunity when you kill Yellowstone wolves. I urge you to reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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Q1

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Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am in support of Commissioner Brooke's amendment to keep as just one current total unit, i.e. 313, which encompasses both units and reduce the quota to 4 total. My reason's are as follows:

- It was the 3rd deadliest winter for Yellowstone wolves since the 1995 wolf reintroduction.
- 13 Yellowstone wolves were killed by hunters, trappers, poachers or died of suspected hunting-related injuries this past season.
- 11 of the killings were in Montana. One known Yellowstone wolf each were in Wyoming and Idaho.
- In response to the war declared on wolves in the Montana 2021-2022 legislative session, at least 25 Yellowstone wolves were then killed, the far majority in Montana, that season by hunters and trappers due to the removal of a quota!
- Despite successful efforts two years ago to get a 6 wolf quota just outside the park, 8 wolves were still reported legally killed by hunters and trappers in our state this past season! What is the point of having a quota if it means nothing!!
- The killings caused the dissolution of three of the park's 11 wolf packs.
- Yellowstone wolves leaving the park are shown to be especially vulnerable to being killed by humans.
- These are Yellowstone wolves as evidenced by radio collars that these packs are within the park at least 96 percent of the year.
- Data shows that about 85% of all wolves killed in Montana's two wolf hunting units north of Yellowstone have been from packs that live primarily in the park.

Wildlife belong to ALL, not just to Montana killers. As a concerned Montana voter, I will be voting for those who respect and protect Yellowstone wolves whether in the park or from the park.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Current FWP rules for wolves adjacent to Yellowstone Park smack of an un-productive hunger for inter-species violence, which is morally wrong, and obviously counter to the policy of the park. Honestly, what you call management, I see as annihilation and not very rational on your part.

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**Q1**

Contact information:

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out. Allowing this ill-conceived and poorly managed practice to continue is outrageous and completely contrary to the purpose of the original re-introduction plan. As a frequent user of the Yellowstone backcountry, I have witnessed the benefits of the rebalancing of the ecosystem that has been achieved by returning this predator to its traditional habitat. The riparian zones and aspen groves - of the Lamar Valley in particular - are notably healthier from the subsequent reduction in elk populations and the fact that the wolves keep the elk herds moving around instead of camping on one area and overgrazing.

It's bad enough that sustainability of the wolf packs has been endangered by the introduction by human visitors of canine parvo virus that has taken its toll on wolf pups in particular. Trapping is just one more factor imperiling this valuable tool for wildlife management within the park. Unless the Commission is willing to also fund the hiring of enough staff to monitor wolf trapping in order to avoid the over-"harvesting" of this important asset to wildlife management - not to mention the money brought in to the Park and surrounding areas by the wolves as a tourist attraction - then this indiscriminate trapping must not be allowed to continue.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #81

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are needed in the circle of life.

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#82

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please pass regulations to protect wolves within 100 miles of Yellowstone National Park.

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#83

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

We need to save and protect these wolves which are magnificent animals and are a very important part of the animal world. Why humans think that they have to kill, destroy and control everything is beyond any form of imagination. These animals, along with other wildlife deserve our respect and help to achieve a natural, healthy, happy life. The animals are a very important part of nature and wild places, and must remain that way forever.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law. For the last 50 years of my life in Montana I have refused to take the animals and fish. Trapping should be illegal except by state necessity. Thank you.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are needed for a balanced eco-system, we should be learning how to coexist and stop the slaughter

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#86

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are apex predators. Their absence will throw ecosystems into disarray, again. Wolves are mobile animals that don't pay attention to fences and boundaries, so eliminating them outside park boundaries is ruinous.

Leave the wolves alone.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are a necessary and beautiful part of our ecosystem. Please protect them

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

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In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please stop hunting of wolves adjacent to Yellowstone National Park. As a resident of Yellowstone County I am aware that there have been times that wolves have been chased out of the park so that it was legal to kill them. This needs to stop. The number of wolves is dangerously low to preserve a viable presence. When there is more hunting near the park wolves sometimes gravitate to more heavily populated areas of the park. This is not good for visitors to the park. For these reasons I request you stop allowing any hunting of wolves close to the park

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #92

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves should not be killed using inhumane traps and snares, especially on public land where children and pets are likely to be harmed. Only a couple of hundred cattle are killed in Montana by wolves, if that many. Because 3 of each 100 calves born in Montana die from being exposed to toxins, many thousands more calves are killed by teratogenic toxins than are killed by wolves. Wolves and other predators then eat the dead calves, but that should not result in them being killed in horrible, inhumane manners that no decent person would even consider using. Please lower the number of wolves that can be killed in each area, especially in the areas close to Yellowstone National Park. Thank you.

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# #93

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

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# #94

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## Q1

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

I live close by, and am one of those people who visit Yellowstone at least 4x/year to see wolves and grizzly bears, spending money on lodging, gas and food. I am always astonished at the distances people come from to see wolves in the Park, and how thrilled they are when they do see them. They don't understand why the states of MT, ID and WY want to kill so many of these magnificent animals.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

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In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Leave the wolves alone!!!! There are organizations who will reimburse ranchers for loss of livestock. Or use our tax dollars instead of using it on all this propaganda against wolves. Once you've reintroduced them, too, leave them alone. They're inhabiting where you wanted them so leave them alone! Trapping should be illegal on the planet, regardless of the target animal. Cruelty should not be in the equation.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please discontinue all hunting and trapping of wolves in the greater Yellowstone Area.

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# #98

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Cap the number of wolves killed North of Yellowstone Park to allow genetic diversity and eliminate diseased herbivores for healthier populations.

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**Q1**

Contact information:

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

If we replace the Game Commission, The governor, and the State legislators, wolves might have a chance to survive in the state of Montana!

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# #100

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

We worked in Yellowstone (YNP) and have recreated for 4 decades in and around YNP. Gail led small groups to view wolves and bears in the Lamar Valley for over 10 years. We value wolves as part of our imperiled biodiversity. Humans are the apex predator responsible for depleting our shared native wildlife heritage. We believe no YNP wolves should be killed but because of the inability of our legislature to grasp the value of wolves in the ecosystem we propose 1 wolf from WMU 313. Folks from all over the world flock to YNP to view wolves and bears bringing an estimated \$82 million into our economy. Wolf license sales bring in \$285,000. Do the math.

Then there's the inhumane and indiscriminate nature of snaring and trapping which disrupts wolf social structure and causes horrific suffering while also impacting protected species.

FWP uses an outdated and unreliable population estimate for wolves to justify their actions and allowing 334 wolves to be killed this year for sport, year after year, is not sustainable. Follow real science and hire real biologists. Get politics out of wildlife management. This war against carnivores must end.

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# #101

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves must be protected! Stop trying to eradicate this very important sentient beings. The wolves are essential and important for the ecosystems. Mankind is not the top of the food chain. With all the politicians they are so for the climate why are they not for the protections for wildlife and their habitats? Wolves and their habitats Must be protected. There is no excuse to murder them. It is wrong and immoral. Mankind is not the end all be all of all existence on Mother Earth. The almighty dollar is what is driving the near extinction off all wildlife species in this country especially wolves. Do your die diligence and research based on actual scientific facts by real scientists that have not been bought off by politicians, special interests groups, lobbyists.

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# #102

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Eliminate all wolf hunting and trapping! It is a disgusting act murdering families of wolves, when the tourists and many Montanans love to see our precious native wolves. Wolves are not eaten, but are trophies. The human race has lowered itself to the scum of the Earth. Stop your insanity!!! Teach people how to live with predators like griz and wolves. There are many, many ways to protect humans, their animals. Stop teaching hate in this world!!!

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# #103

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Yes, to the proposed amendment to the wolf regs!

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# #104

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Hello. I am contacting the Montana Fish and Wildlife commission to please consider reducing the wolf hunting and trapping quota in the state of Montana. Please also consider changing the hunting zones around Yellowstone National Park to protect the wolves who roam within and past the park borders. The wolf population of Montana is not large (a little over 1,000) and the current hunting laws for Montana wolves are easily endangering their population. Since wolves are also a roaming animal it is fairly simple for hunters to wait outside the borders of Yellowstone National Park to pick off any animals that stray outside the park borders. I ask that hunting laws be restricted around this area to avoid decimating the Montana wolf population.

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# #105

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please stop killing wolves near the park. They will keep their own numbers in check given the chance. Millions of people to the park to see wolves and they spend money while doing so. If only from a financial standpoint it doesn't make sense to kill them near the park.

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# #106

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I write to urge that FWP eliminate wolf hunting and trapping in Unit 313 near Gardiner, MT.

Last year, several Yellowstone wolf packs were decimated due to hunting/trapping in Unit 313 -- despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed in Unit 313,

This harvest in Unit 313 violates principles of sound wildlife management, and is unacceptable on that basis, especially when it is considered that nearly all of these wolf packs live primarily inside Yellowstone Park, where they are protected by law.

The wolves being harvested in Unit 313 have no documented history of livestock depredation when they cross Park boundaries. Thus it appears that the only justification for harvesting these otherwise protected wolves, that generally can only be found within the protected boundaries of Yellowstone, is a punitive one.

Punitive reasoning has no place in setting policy at FWP, which should instead be based on sound wildlife management principles.

I urge FWP to prohibit wolf hunting/trapping in Unit 313.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #107

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As a Montana native, I feel it is imperative to contact you about the upcoming plans you have to eradicate more Wolves in Montana. I know you are under pressure by the cattlemen, and if they had their way, there would be no Wolves at all. Please stop this cruel, shameful, and barbaric hunting of these majestic creatures. I can still remember listening to their howling while we were camping.

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# #108

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs was disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefits for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific, or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #109

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I as writing in support of the elimination of wolf hunting and wolf trapping adjacent to all lands to Yellowstone National Park.

Thanks for considering my comments.

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# #110

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves do not understand boundaries. I lived in Alaska for 55 years and the same problem happens in Denali National Park -- the wolves hunt outside the boundaries and are shot or trapped. And which wolves? Often it is one of the lead pair, which cannot be translated to "a mere 10% of the wolf pack". Because it is an older leader, half of the only pair with pups and carrying the most knowledge necessary to survive in a harsh climate, it throws the whole pack into stress and danger. Think of a family of 6, and the mother or father dies suddenly. Not the teenager. Not the maiden aunt. One of the critical members of the family, on which the rest are dependent. These animals have admirable relationships with one another, very relatable to our own society. Please protect them within and without the park boundaries.

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#111

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**Q1**

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

stop the trapping/hunting next to YNP

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# #112

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear FWP Director Temple, Chair Robinson, Vice Chair Tabor, and Commissioners,

Thank you for the work you do and for the opportunity to submit comments on the 2024–Winter 2025 Furbearer and Wolf Trapping and Hunting Seasons and Quotas. Large Carnivore Fund is headquartered in Region 3 WMU 313, Gardiner, Montana.

I. Revert back to two separate WMUs (313 and 316 previous boundaries) with a quota of no more than three wolves per unit. We support FWP Region 3 Commissioner Brooke's amendment and Yellowstone National Park's June 26, 2024 (N1615/1.A.2.(YELL) recommendations, to revert back to two separate WMUs (313 and 316 previous boundaries) with a quota of no more than three wolves per unit, e.g. three in 313 and three in 316. If the motion is to retain the one large WMU 313 then reduce the total quota to no more than four wolves due to the high mortality. This could significantly improve wolf management and reduce impacts on Yellowstone National Park's iconic wolves.

Since Wolf Management Units 313 and 316 were changed from two separate WMUs to one WMU 313, and the quota set to six, the wolves killed have been concentrated near the Yellowstone Park Boundary by Gardiner,

1. All six wolves harvested in FWP WMU 313 were from Yellowstone packs
  - a. Three uncollared wolves from 1386F's group;
  - b. Two uncollared wolves from Lupine Creek pack;
  - c. One radio-collared wolf from Mollie's pack;

In addition to the quota of wolves killed,

2. Two radio-collared wolves were harvested from Yellowstone packs in Region 3 near the WMU 313 boundary:
  - a. One from the Lupine Creek pack
  - b. One from a newly formed pair 1330F/1336M group;
3. One radio-collared breeding male wolf from Lupine Creek pack died in early February 2024 from a poaching incident in WMU 313;
4. Two more radio-collared Yellowstone wolves died during the wolf hunting season (one inside Yellowstone, another adjacent to the boundary) suspected to have died from gunshot wounds sustained in WMU313, but investigation could not provide certainty.

In total the 2023-2024 season mortalities resulted in the dissolution of three Yellowstone packs that counted toward the 2023 park population.

Sincerely,

Helena Edelson

President and CEO, Large Carnivore Fund

PO Box 452, Gardiner, MT 59030

# #113

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #114

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please listen to us, the non-extractive community!! Your policies are shaped by trappers, who will always be in favor of high quotas. The rest of us, the vast majority of the population, say "ENOUGH"! All trapping, in my opinion, should be banned. But at the very least, trapping and hunting of wolves should not be allowed in the areas around Yellowstone. Please stop catering to trappers and protect these iconic and important members of the ecosystem — our wolves.

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# #115

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Wolves are iconic animals of the western United States. They deserve to be protected.

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# #116

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

STOP WOLF HUNTING in, around and adjacent to Yellowstone National Park!!!! In fact, BAN ALL WOLF HUNTING AND TRAPPING!!! LIVE AND LET LIVE!!!!

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**Q1** Respondent skipped this question

Contact information:

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please eliminate trapping in Montana and trapping & hunting wolves adjacent to Yellowstone Park!

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# #118

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The wolves of Yellowstone need our protection. This includes wolves that wander in and out of the Yellowstone Park boundaries. Yellowstone belongs to all the people. They come to view a more pristine environment with beautiful scenery, flora and fauna. And this includes wolves. The park belongs to all Americans and the opportunity to view animals that live there also belongs to all Americans. Millions of tourists visit the park annually and they spend many millions of dollars in Montana. Wolves have intrinsic value but in Yellowstone they also have huge economic value. It is senseless to kill wolves that primarily reside in Yellowstone just because they wandered across an imaginary boundary line. One cruel trapper can make a few bucks on a wolf pelt or thousands of people can actually have the pleasure of seeing that wolf alive in its natural element. Plus, thousands of Montanans can make more than a few bucks from the tourist industry and support facilities (gas stations, grocery stores, hotels, bars). Not only is protecting these wolves the right thing to do, it is the smart thing to do.

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# #119

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please stop the senseless killings of wolves.

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# #120

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners:

Dear Commissioners:

Please stop wolf hunting and trapping nearby Gardiner in unit 313.

It seems we expect wolves to understand boundaries! Unfortunately, last year, 11 were killed right outside the Park. They were from packs that spend most of their lives in the Park. Some were important research animals. AND there was a quota of six wolves in the area. It is a tragedy when wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park are shot or trapped when they wander out.

Because of last year's killings, the social structure of three of the Park's packs was destroyed, and those packs are no longer.

Wolves are a huge draw to the Park and the surrounding region, they bring in tens of millions of dollars annually to the Yellowstone area.

In fact, I saw my first wolf there several years ago. I am an avid outdoorsman who had to travel to Yellowstone to see one.

It is wrong to allow our Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped the minute they leave the Park.

Please put an end to it.

Thank you

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# #121

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

This amendment would support Yellowstone National Park. Please support.

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# #122

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The insanity needs to stop. You are destroying the ecosystem!

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# #123

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

- Gina

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# #124

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please consider this amendment, and close districts within 12 hours of take limits. Frankly there should be no take of wolves allowed outside Yellowstone National Park. Virginia Hutchison

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# #125

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please, take advantage of this Amendment to reduce the quota

Thanks

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# #126

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

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In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #127

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

eliminate wolf hunting

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# #128

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## Q1

Contact information:

Name: **T.M. Stricker**  
City/Town: **Billings**  
State/Province: **MT**

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #129

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## Q1

Contact information:

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**City/Town:** Silver Gate  
**State/Province:** MT  
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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Hello

My name is Hunter Graham. I am a (nearly) lifelong resident of the Cooke City Silver Gate area. I grew up leading horseback riding tours in Yellowstone, and am currently a wildlife guide for Silver Gate Guides, an environmental education service that specializes in private wolf and grizzly bear watching tours.

I am commenting to show my support for proposed changes in wolf hunting regulations brought forth by Commissioner Brooke. I believe that by returning HD 313 to a two-unit framework and reducing the harvest quota altogether, wolf mortality would be better distributed, reducing destabilizing effects on wolf populations that spend most of their time in Northern Yellowstone. There is hard science to support this; Harvest of Yellowstone wolves has been shown to negatively impact pack persistence and pup production. Ironically, the indiscriminate harvest of key pack members can actually cause increased reproduction in certain wolf populations, resulting in human-enhanced reproduction, which is also undesirable.

My livelihood, and that of many others in Yellowstone's gateway communities depends greatly on consistency of wolf watching opportunities along the Northern Range. Wolf watching in the GYE brought over \$80 million to local economies in 2022, and Park visitation and interest in wildlife is increasing annually.

Furthermore, currently wolf harvest regulations may be construed as antithetical to Fair Chase, a fundamental goal of the North American model of conservation. Prohibitions on baiting, night hunting, and the use of telemetry should be reinserted in to your regulations.

Thank you for your consideration.

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# #130

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I ask that the the Fish and Wildlife Commission amend the 2024-25 Wolf and Furbearer regulations to revert Wolf Management Unit 313 to the historical boundaries of WMU 313 and WMU 316 with a harvest quota of 3 in each unit. If possible, I ask that the harvest quota in each unit be further reduced to 1 or 2 in each unit.

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# #131

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As a Hunter i used to USE wolves to push Elk herds downhill towards more favorable terrain for human hunters. Every year i filled my Tags. Last two years did not fill my tags & Chronic Wasting Disease is running rampant through our Herds now. This is BECAUSE of the insane levels of Wolf Hunting permits issued... Wolves are a PART of the Ecosystem. Period. Do Your JOB. Restore the Healthy Ecosystem which Montanan Hunters DEPEND UPON. Seriously. Maybe 50 or less Tags in total for whole state is sustainable in a few years after the Wolf packs recover. If there are any wolves LEFT. i used to see them. Now seen ONE in two years... Not Good. Please Do Your JOB!

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# #132

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## Q1

Contact information:

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff.

I'm writing to urge you to reduce drastically hunting and eliminate trapping entirely of six wolves in the Gardiner area 313. Last year 11 wolves were actually killed, instead of 6, , nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

In comment to the 2024-25 Wolf and Furbearer regulations for Wolf Management Unit 313, I would like the Fish & Wildlife Commission to amend the 2024-25 Wolf and Furbearer regulations to revert Wolf Management Unit 313 to its historical boundaries which splits the Unit into WMU 313 and WMU 316, with the harvest quota of 6 wolves also split, giving a quota of 3 to each Unit. I would also request that the wolf harvest quota be reduced to 1 or 2 wolves for each Unit.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I disagree with the proposed amendment. By forcing people to trap and hunt on an area that does not have as many wolves, it is possible to impact the local population. This is liable to force more hunters into an area that would not otherwise be hunted. Having a separate quota for any area because it is near the park is a mistake anyway. It is having a boundary around a boundary and the wolves cannot tell the difference anyway.

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# #135

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## Q1

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**Q2**

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

As a resident of Montana and a individual who fishes in Montana , I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone. To be clear, these are wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Brooks Leete  
Red Lodge, Montana

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# #136

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I strongly oppose the proposed Regulations amendment by Commissioner Brooke, especially if the motive of reverting the WMUs (Wolf Management Units) to historical boundaries is to disperse "harvest areas".

The "harvest quota" should be zero.  
And, the "harvest area" should NOT be dispersed.

Rationale that supports my views stands to reason as there "have been no livestock depredations in or near WMU 313 or 316 for years" and "Region 3 has met the legislative objective of reduction in wolf population". [Quoted from Fish & Wildlife Commission Amendment document, Pg. 1].

Since there have been no livestock depredations for years I am in favor of NO "harvest quota" and no dispersal of "harvest areas".

As noted on Pg. 1 of the Amendment "eco-tourism businesses rely on wildlife watching, including wolves".

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Joy Burk

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# #137

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I respectfully disagree with Commissioner Brooke's amendment. I have been pleased with the decision's made by This commission so far, and believe Commissioner Brooke has been doing a fantastic job even with all the backlash from the wolves of the Rockies, The Yellowstone park superintendent, and other anti trapping groups. I am hoping commission Brooke is not caving in ,from pure pressure from these groups. By them suggesting to divide 313 they are hoping the quota will not be met simply because certain parts of 313 are more prone to wolf activity than others. Meaning it will be harder to harvest a wolf in certain parts of 313,Resulting in not meeting the quota . Thanks for accepting my comment. Alan Jensen

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# #138

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I represent an organization (Montana Sportsmen for Fish and Wildlife). As an organization on Montana hunters and trappers we do not support the proposed quota of 3 wolves in HD 313 and 3 wolves in HD 316. We would support a quota of 5 wolves in each of HD's 313 and 316 totaling 10 wolves taken on the two park boundary districts. The fact that no livestock issues haven't occurred is irrelevant, it's the ungulates that is of our concern. The northern yellowstone herd of elk have taken a huge hit by predation through both wolves and grizzly bears. We disagree with any animal that comes from the park as being a park animal, once it leaves the park it is Montana's concern. For years bison and elk were either culled or hunted once they left the park boundaries and wolves should be no different. For the 2024 season our neighbors to the south "Wyoming" will be harvesting 16 wolves in their designated trophy areas that border the park. We do not support the proposed quota, understanding that politics not science plays a huge role in these two districts.

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# #139

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear commissioners. I urge you to return of 2 wolf quota outside Yellowstone. Please keep the quota to 2. Susan Kirby Brooke proposed amendment have no merits and will significantly affect the population of wolves in the area. The quotas do not take into account the reproductive couples, just the numbers. The wolves population is not constrained and there's evidence that wolves leaving Yellowstone are especially vulnerable to being hunted. The so called hunting for collared wolves is extreme cheating, unfair practice and tampers with research group efforts to monitor population. Data shows that about 85% of all wolves killed in Montana's two wolf hunting units north of Yellowstone have been from packs that live primarily in the park. Thank you!

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# #140

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Yellowstone National Park officials and others in the surrounding communities are right to be concerned about the killing of collared Yellowstone wolves. Hunters are able to exploit the collars to easily track these wolves. In 2022, 25 Yellowstone wolves were killed. I wanted to plan a winter trip to the park, specifically for the purpose of seeing the wolves, but I don't see the point now. It would probably be difficult to even spot wolves there now. Plus, your state is so obviously anti-wolf and uninterested in supporting ecotourism businesses that I cannot in good conscience spend any money there.

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# #141

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioner Susan Kirby Brooke,

Your amendment to wolf regulations may be interesting from the hunter's point of view, but the regulations are still outside the scientific approach or the perspective of ordinary people who care about nature. It is so sad that so many wolves have been killed on the Yellowstone Park border. You will allow them to be killed again, albeit in smaller numbers.

Montana FWS must stop killing wolves and other fur-bearing animals. Let them live freely, and let scientists decide what should be the fate of these animals.

Sincerely,  
Joan Kayser

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# #142

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I pay to see the wolves alive and strongly request that no hunting be done in this area at all. It disrupts the social stability of the pack.

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# #143

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I support this amendment. I am a local resident in Gardiner and work as a wildlife biologist and business owner. I am a hunter, but I don't support any hunting or trapping of wolves in this area. To condone wolf hunting on the doorstep of Yellowstone Park supports the interests of very few sportsmen bent on killing these animals that are famous attractions to our region; at the same time, hunting the same wolves we watch in the park is disruptive to an entire industry that relies on live wolves for its ecotourism livelihoods. I entreat the state agency and commission to support our industry--residents making a sustainable living, highly invested in wildlife conservation and the world-renowned research that takes place in the park. To spare a handful of wolves in this very small area does not diminish in any significant way the opportunity to hunt or trap wolves across the state where hundreds are harvested every year. PLEASE vote yes on this amendment which is a step in the right direction, by distributing the potential harvest across more area and different wolf packs to blunt the damage done by any loss of these individual wolves. Of particular insight: surviving wolves of a hunting encounter become more averse to human presence--a survival behavior that is adaptive for them, but problematic for our viewing of them in the park. Thank you for the opportunity to comment, and a great thanks for commissioners' volunteer service to Montana's fish, wildlife, and state parks.

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# #144

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am very much in favor of this amendment by Commissioner Brook. I believe it is absolutely necessary to insure our Yellowstone National Park wolves survival. It would be best to close unit #313 from wolf hunting altogether. I believe all wolf hunting and trapping should ultimately be eliminated adjacent to Yellowstone National Park. 85% of the wolves taken here over the years have according to the park officials, been from packs that live inside of the park. Also last season eleven wolves were actually taken when there was a quota set at six. The integrity of three known packs was destroyed. These wolves are enjoyed and cherished by millions of wolf viewing park visitors locally and from around the world. This type of recreation brings an enormous amount of revenue, even as high as \$82 million to our rural communities surrounding the park. Wolves really do have more value alive and thriving. Another thing to consider is that these wolves have no documented livestock depredations. Why should they be destroyed? Please bring back the buffer zones which were previously in place before the current administration. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law until wolves can be once again be protected in all states. Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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# #145

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As a Gardiner resident and wildlife guide in Yellowstone National Park I fully support reverting unit 313 back into two separate units. With no livestock depredation and healthy elk harvests in our area the impact on other businesses is negligible while the positive impact for wildlife tourism is very large. Fewer Yellowstone wolves being killed just outside the park boundary means we can show more wolves to more people who come here just to see them. Wolf watching and wildlife tourism supports me and my family with good wages and year round work and I'd like to see the commission acknowledge the positive impact of tourism on our community but splitting 313 back into 2 units. Thanks for you time.

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# #146

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Last year, despite a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were actually killed, nearly all of them from packs that live primarily inside Yellowstone, wolves that are enjoyed by the wolf-viewing public, and have no documented history of livestock depredation. There is no legitimate reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a national park to be shot when they wander out.

As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs.

As you know, wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park: a University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4 percent increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in value as economic engines for rural Montana communities near the Park, according to a recent study.

In short, it makes little economic, scientific or recreational sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped. Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Christine Whiteside  
Livingston, MT

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# #147

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Thank you, Commissioner Brooke, for bringing forth this amendment for Yellowstone wolves in the adjacent areas to the park and in light of the Park's Superintendent's plea.

Our ask is that the wolf quota of two wolves from the past be reinstated whether that be for the one combined 313 wmu or 1 wolf for 313 and 1 wolf for 316. The findings are 85% of the wolves known being shot or trapped in these units are from Yellowstone wolf packs. As evident from the radio collars, the Yellowstone wolves spend 96% of their time in the park. They do not know of the imaginary line, the bait or night vision scopes that awaits them there is a death sentence.

We appreciate you acknowledging in the amendment that Yellowstone wolves have not been a problem for livestock producers for years. The department also did not express concern for a quota reduction. However, even with the 6 wolf quota, 8 Yellowstone wolves were reported legally shot or trapped in Montana this past season. Quota overages need to come off the next year's quota! Otherwise, what is to prevent this from continuing?

Given how invaluable these wolves are to area businesses, the state's economy, scientific research, wildlife advocates worldwide, and that the 2023/2024 quota was exceeded, there really is no excuse for Yellowstone wolves to be sitting ducks and killed simply for exiting the park on the rare occasion. Shooting and trapping them disrupts social order and research. The loss of each Yellowstone wolf reigns significant and heavily on the American people and creates a glistening to Montana's shiny black eye regarding wolf management.

We urge the Commission to do the right thing and return the quota for wolves adjacent to Yellowstone National Park to a total of 2.

Thank you,  
KC York and on behalf of the board of directors  
President/Founder  
Trap Free Montana  
Trap Free Montana Public Lands

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# #148

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The Montana Wildlife Federation supports Commissioner Kirby-Brooke's amendment to the 2024-25 Wolf and Furbearer regulations to revert Wolf Management Unit 313 to the historical boundaries of WMU 313 and WMU 316 with a harvest quota of 3 in each unit. MWF opposed this split when it first came up a couple years ago, and we appreciate the Commission revisiting this issue. With no negative biological effects anticipated by FWP and no livestock depredations listed in or near Units 313 and 316, we believe this split falls in line with overall wolf harvest objectives and should be supported by the Commission. Our organization appreciates Commissioner Kirby-Brooke's outreach and work on this issue, as it is reflective of a Commission that is responsive to the voices of Montanans that weighed in on a problem they felt needed to be fixed. Thank you.

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# #149

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear FWP Commission,

An avid outdoors and sporting enthusiast, a resident, voter, and taxpayer of Park County, and one who highly prizes the unique beauty and quality of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, I applaud Commissioner Brooke's Amendment to the Wolf Regulations and urge you all to approve the amendment.

Park County's economy depends upon tourism dollars which in turn depend upon the people who come to our area primarily to experience the wilderness and wild animals, among which are wolves. There are few places in North America that offer the opportunity to see wolves in their natural setting; Yellowstone National Park is arguably the most accessible. With the devastation of one incipient and four established wolf packs since the merging of Wolf Management Units 313 and 316, not only were the lives of wolves ended or threatened, but the livelihoods of folks who depend upon wolf tourism was undermined as well. I can attest to the highly increased difficulty of seeing wolves in the Park since the Units were merged and the wolf packs demolished: whereas friends and visitors were nearly sure to see wolf activity in the winter in the Lamar Valley area, we ventured several times over the past two seasons and saw no evidence whatsoever. Though the dollars brought in by my friends, family, and other visitors is small compared with the larger total, the impact was such that they no longer want to spend their valuable tourism budget here over winter months with the chance of seeing wolves so small.

Please undo the experiment of merging the two Units, and separate them per the Amendment under consideration. Please vote yes!

Thank you very much,  
Anne Buckley

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# #150

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As a Park County resident, I am supportive of this change back to the former boundaries for WMU 313/316. The hunting regulations over the past three winter seasons have unacceptably allowed multiple packs that spend a vast majority of their time in Yellowstone to be wiped out. These are animals that the local economies to the gateway communities of Yellowstone rely heavily on being able to see and share with visitors to the area, and the harvest of these wolves severely impacts that negatively. By splitting where these wolves can be harvested, it reduces the likelihood of total pack removal, helping to support the businesses that rely on them for ecotourism.

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# #151

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

As a Park County resident, I am in favor of the former boundaries of unit-WMU 313 being restored. Under present-day hunting boundaries the Yellowstone wolf packs have taken some serious hits to their pack numbers over the last three winters, with several packs along the northwestern boundary being completely dissolved. These animals bring in approximately 80 million dollars of revenue in tourism, and to have concentrated hunting quotas in certain hunting regions poses a serious threat to those of us who make a livelihood off of showing people these animals. In order to minimize the threat of putting too much hunting pressure on just a couple of packs in the Yellowstone region, the quota should be evenly split up along the northwest and northeast ends of the park.

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# #152

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The new wolf regulations should eliminate hunting and/or trapping of wolfs in lands adjacent to YNP.

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# #153

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I appreciate the citizen representation that Commissioner Susan Kirby Brooke's amendment makes to your draft winter '24-'25 wolf-kill quotas in unit 313 & 316, and I agree fully with YNP's Superintendent Cam Sholly's additional ideas of how you should also decrease the kill quotas in those two units - plus the other wildlife conservation measures he called out in his recent letter to FWP Commission. Also, wolf-kill quotas that continue to ruin YNP and PARK COUNTY's wolf and other wildlife-friendly industries are a threat to our livelihoods. Please make these changes to your '24-'25 hunting regulations, which affect all of us 'citizens' one way or another. Thank you!

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# #154

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

The proposed reversion back two management units (323 and 316) and a quota of three wolves each make sense for reasons stated in Commissioner Brooks amendment and Superintendent Sholly's comment letter. In addition to the ecological/management reasons stated, I might add this makes economic sense as well. I am a Backcountry ski guide working for Yellowstone Ski Tours that is permitted on both Custer-Gallatin and Shoshone Nation Forests and Yellowstone National Park. Any time I'm guiding a client, and we see wolves, or even cut wolf tracks, I know I'll have a repeat client. I am also a winter resident in Cooke City. Wildlife tours, primarily wolf watching, have become an important factor for diversifying Cooke City's winter economy. I personally would like to see no wolves harvested in management units bordering Yellowstone NP because a live wolf is so much more valuable than a dead wolf, but I realize this would not be politically viable, so Commissioner Brooke's amendment is a good compromise.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am commenting on behalf of WildEarth Guardians.

We agree with Commissioner Brooke's proposal to split WMU 313 back into two units by reinstating WMU 316.

However, we urge the Commission to set a quota of one wolf in each WMU to limit Yellowstone wolf killing to the greatest extent possible under current legislative constraints.

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# #156

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

In the absence of a full ban on wolf hunting and trapping in 313, or an outcome that divides 313 into two historical units and caps the quota at fewer than 3 animals per unit, I support the proposed amendment by Commissioner Brooke to divide 313 into the historical two units and allocate the quota to 3 animals per unit.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I am pleased to see Commissioner Brooke's amendment proposal and strongly urge the department to accept and pass the amendment changes. A healthy and thriving wolf population, both inside Yellowstone and in the surrounding Greater Yellowstone area, is vitally important for supporting the ecology and economic vitality of this area and the changes proposed by commissioner Brooke bring changes that will do this. Returning to two areas, 313 and 316 and a limit of 3 per area is scientifically and economically sound policy - wolf mortality is spread across a larger area and will be less likely to harm or decimate pack survival and will offer greater hunting diversity in area and terrain, possibly a more sporting experience for ethical hunting or trapping. This amendment is the right thing to do and I thank you for this opportunity to comment and appreciate the thought that will go into this decision.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I wholeheartedly support this ammendment. I would prefer no wolf hunting on the Park borders. Tourism has been booming in the Park and bordering communities. Wolves are a top attraction. \$82 million per year. 3 out of 5 jobs are related to tourism in Park County. Killing of wolves has been devastating to several packs from Yellowstone. All this for a few hunters - makes no senses whatsoever.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I feel agree with this amendment. The last few years have been deadly for Yellowstone Wolves. I pay a lot of money to travel to Montana to see Wolves. It is my favorite trip yearly. I can't wait to take my daughter there next summer. She is four months old right now. I bought her wolf stuffed animal and I want her to show her the Wolves in Yellowstone. You have a duty please protect these wolves. They are worth more alive than dead. Please accept this amendment so if you were Wolves will be killed and more can be enjoyed by myself and my daughter.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

I have read the letter and while I commend Commissioner Brooke on presenting an amendment to favour Yellowstone Wolves, in fact I feel there should be no hunting of any kind in the zones / regions that bound Yellowstone National Park. Wolves do not have any knowledge of human made boundaries. They are free to roam. To justify killing a Yellowstone wolf because they left the park is simply wrong and unethical. Wolf families cannot sustain this hunting. Packs are breaking up and disbanding. Please respect the wolf - No hunting around Yellowstone. Ban wolf hunting. Protect wolves. Thank you.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Keeping unit 313, and reducing the quota of wolves killed to 4 is the best solution. Yellowstone wolves leaving the park are especially vulnerable to being killed by humans. Last year the wolf killings ruined 3 pack's social structures and caused their complete disintegrations. Over 1/4 of the packs in Yellowstone were destroyed. Really the most ethical solution would be to put the quota at zero.

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please reduce or halt the inhumane killing and torture of wolves. There is a good balance in the park now and all wildlife is healthier for it. 13 Yellowstone wolves were killed by hunters, trappers, poachers or died of suspected hunting-related injuries this past season. 11 of the killings were in Montana. One known Yellowstone wolf each were in Wyoming and Idaho.

In response to the war declared on wolves in the Montana 2021-2022 legislative session, at least 25 Yellowstone wolves were then killed, the far majority in Montana, that season by hunters and trappers due to the removal of a quota.

Despite you and our allies successful efforts two years ago to get a 6 wolf quota just outside the park, 8 wolves were still reported legally killed by hunters and trappers in our state this past season!

The killings caused the dissolution of three of the park's 11 wolf packs.STOP KILLING WOLVES.

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## Q1

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Please see the email and accompanying attachment from bshifrin@greateryellowstone.org sent to the Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission on July 25, 2024. The following coalition supports the amendment proposed by Commissioner Brooke regarding WMU 313:

Nathan Varley, President, Bear Creek Council  
Cara McGary, Owner and Guide, In Our Nature Guiding Services LLC  
Douglas W. Smith, Wildlife Biologist, Retired from Yellowstone National Park  
Brooke Shifrin, Wildlife Program Manager, Greater Yellowstone Coalition  
Karrie Kahle, Business and Community Partnerships Director, Park County Environmental Council  
Michelle Uberuaga, Yellowstone Senior Program Manager, National Parks Conservation Association  
Wild Livelihoods Business Coalition  
Shauna Baron, M.S., Owner of Shauna Baron Guiding Services, LLC  
Chris Servheen, President and Board Chair, Montana Wildlife Federation  
Clint Nagel, President, Gallatin Wildlife Association  
Helena Edelson, President and CEO, Large Carnivore Fund  
Kris King, Executive Director, Explore Livingston Coalition  
Eric Clewis, Senior Representative- Northern Rockies, Defenders of Wildlife  
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Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

I'm a Gallatin County resident and writing to urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

There is no reason for wolves who spend the majority of their lives in a Yellowstone National Park to be killed when they leave it. Yes, wolves move across the landscape, but these wolves live in the vicinity of tourists and there's evidence that wolves who leave Yellowstone are especially vulnerable to being hunted: "Wolves that dwell in the park see scores of people, and that can lead to habituation and brazen behavior." (Mike Koshmrl, "Yellowstone hazes its habituated wolves, and it works," Jackson Hole News & Guide (Apr. 21, 2021).) Hunting, trapping, and snaring should not be allowed for wolves who spend most of their lives in Yellowstone National Park, wearing tracking collars, not engaging in depredation, and possibly habituated to humans.

Further, the quota is not working. Even with a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were killed last year—almost all of them from Yellowstone-based packs. As a result of last season's wolf mortality, the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs were disrupted, resulting in the dissolution of those packs. As Yellowstone Wolf Project lead biologist Dan Stahler recently told WyoFile, the NPS mission in Yellowstone is to "protect and preserve natural processes—including natural social dynamics." (Mike Koshmrl, "Yellowstone superintendent seeks hunting relief for wolves after another deadly winter," Idaho Capital Sun (July 19, 2024).)

Wolf hunting benefits only the few who engage in it—and we know this is not subsistence hunting. Conversely, living wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park. A recent University of Montana study indicated that wolves accounted for nearly a 4% increase in annual Park visitation and millions of dollars in extra in annual visitor spending for the Greater Yellowstone area—a place I live and want to prosper. While all wolves have more value alive than dead, these wolves in particular carry more than \$82 million in economic value for rural Montana communities near the Park. ("Greater Yellowstone Wildlife Related Activity Valuation Study," RRC Associates & Institute for Tourism and Recreation Research 27–29 (2022).) It makes no economic sense to continue to allow Yellowstone's wolves to be hunted and trapped.

Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Further, I strongly suggest following the suggestions of Yellowstone Superintendent Cam Sholly to reinsert the prohibition on the use of telemetry for hunting (MCA 87-6-401) and prohibit baiting and night hunting on private lands. (Letter from Cameron H. Sholly, Yellowstone Superintendent to the Montana Fish and Wildlife Commission (June 26, 2024).) The 2021 Montana State Legislature went too far by passing extreme unfair-chase, anti-wolf measures that do not align with the values of most Montanans. Again, because a significant portion of Yellowstone wolves wear tracking collars, they could potentially be located by unfair-chase hunters who possess very-high frequency receivers. There's no legislative mandate that prohibits you from changing those rules and bringing them back in line with Montana values.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Megan Maier

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Dear Commissioners and Staff,

As a Southwest Montana resident, I urge you to eliminate wolf hunting and trapping near Gardiner in unit 313.

Wolves who live most of their lives in Yellowstone National Park shouldn't be killed when they leave its boundaries. Evidence shows that wolves who leave Yellowstone are particularly vulnerable to being hunted because they see people, which can lead to habituation. These wolves also wear tracking collars, which is why I suggest adding back in the prohibition on the use of telemetry for hunting (MCA 87-6-401) and prohibiting baiting and night hunting on private land, as Yellowstone Superintendent Cam Sholly suggested. There's no legislative mandate that prohibits you from changing those rules and bringing them back in line with Montana values.

Additionally, the quota does not work. Even with a quota of six wolves in this area, 11 wolves were killed last year and almost all of them were from Yellowstone-based packs. This has disrupted the social structure of at least three Yellowstone packs, resulting in their dissolution. It's scientifically unsound and harmful to upset natural processes—including natural social dynamics.

Lastly, wolf hunting does not benefit Montana communities—only a few trophy hunters. Living wolves create abundant economic benefit for rural communities near the Park. A recent University of Montana study indicates that GYE wolves bring more than \$82 million in economic value to rural Montana communities near the Park.

Please reinstate the minimum quota allowed by law.

Thank you for considering my comments.

Mikayla Maier

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## Q2

Please comment on Wolf Regs Amendment by Commissioner Brooke

Remove over quota kills from next year's quota  
Eliminate snares on public land and require 24-hour trap checks  
Prohibit baiting and close wolf hunting in known CWD units  
Reduce wolf trapping season and close hunting units near Yellowstone when quotas are met  
Use peer-reviewed methods for population estimates and increase transparency on trapping incidents involving other species

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