

SINCE THEIR RETURN to the American West in the 1990s, wolves have captured the imagination of many.

LIKE TRADITIONAL HUMAN FAMILIES, wolves have strong family bonds and work together to raise pups. And, of course, wolves are ancestors of man's best friend, the domestic dog.

IT'S NO WONDER thousands of visitors come to our region each year to see wolves, adding tens of millions of dollars to our economy.

HELP KEEP WOLVES IN THE WEST.



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THE FUTURE OF WOLVES IN THE WEST

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Most Westerners understand that living with wolves and other wildlife is part of life in the West.

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Wolves bring balance to nature. They primarily hunt old and sick animals, which keeps elk and deer herds healthy.

We believe we can manage conflicts between wolves and livestock through solutions that benefit both people and wolves. Some livestock managers are working with local conservationists to promote co-existence among livestock and wolves. Through these efforts, forward-thinking locals are creating innovative models for other wolf-occupied areas in Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming.

As Lane Adamson, President of the Madison Valley Ranchlands Group of Montana, said: *"The collaborative process works, and it can help those with divergent opinions resolve misunderstandings. The direction we are now pursuing regarding living with wolves is a great place to start this effort."*

Wildlife managers in Montana, Idaho, and Wyoming also need to develop reasonable wolf management plans. Like elk, bears and other native species, wolves should be managed as a valuable wildlife resource, and not needlessly killed. Responsible management plans need to bring everyone to the table, use the best available science, and keep the wolf population healthy for many decades to come.

THE BOTTOM LINE: The liberal killing of wolves in some western states risks pushing wolves back towards extermination and federal intervention.

Wildlife officials are getting an earful from people who want to kill most or all of the wolves. Now they need to hear from you!

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You can help keep wolves in the West!



"A portion of our world has been out of balance since the departure of wolves; a portion of our world has been restored since their return."

—Levi Holt, Conservationist and Nez Perce tribal elder

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