Household Wolf Survey 2023

To ensure this survey represents all Montanans, we are requesting that one person in the household (18 years of age or older) who has had the MOST RECENT BIRTHDAY complete this questionnaire and return it as soon as possible using the pre-paid, self-addressed envelope provided.

Are you the person aged 18 or older in the household who has had the most recent birthday?

NO...... Please have the person in your household (18 years of age or older) who has the most recent birthday complete this survey.

1. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

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Q1a	I think wolves are beautiful animals	1	2	3	4	5	2
Q15	I think wolves pose a safety risk to people I care about	1	2	3	4	5	. 2. . 2.
Q1c	I think wolves are important for ecosystem health	1	2	3	4	5	, ri
Q1d	Wolves negatively affect my economic well-being	1	2	3	4	5	6
Q1e	I enjoy knowing that wolves exist in Montana, even if I never see one	1	2	. 3	4	5	
Q15	Wolves are a burden i'd rather not deal with	1	2	3	4	5	

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		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Disagree	<u>Neither</u>	Agree	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
QZq	I think wolves can positively contribute to the outdoor economy in Montana	1	2	3	4	5	\sim
Q25	Wolves limit my recreational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5	. 55, 'Y
QZc	I am concerned about wolves damaging things I care about	1	2	3	4	5	18
Q2d	I think wolves have a right to exist in Montana	1	2	3	4	5 (<u> </u>
QZe	I feel my personal safety is threatened by wolves	1	2	3	4	5	

3. On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant), how tolerant are you with wolves being on the Montana landscape? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q3	Very Intolerant	Intolerant	Neither	Tolerant	Very Tolerant
	1	2	3	4	5
		(9=miss (OVER)	ing)	

4.	On a scale from 1 (much too low) to 5 (much too high), what is your opinion regarding Montana's wolf
	population right now? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q4	Much too <u>Low</u>	Too <u>Low</u>	About the R <u>ight Size</u>	Too <u>High</u>	Much too <u>High</u>
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- Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the 2022-23 Montana wolf <u>HUNTING</u> regulations listed above? (circle ONLY one number below)

6. On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant), how tolerant are you with wolf <u>HUNTING</u> in Montana? (circle ONLY <u>one</u> number below)

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		<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	
Q89	Hunting wolves makes them more wary of humans	1	2	3	4	5 (95mi	55im
Q85	NOT hunting wolves makes them more comfortable around humans	1	2	3	4	5	

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 - o To avoid the non-target capture of grizzly bears, wolf trapping within occupied grizzly bear habitat has a floating start date dependent on den entry of collared bears.
 - Foothold traps and snares are legal methods during the wolf trapping season, though snaring is not permitted on public lands within the Lynx Protection Zone. The inside jaw spread of foothold traps must not exceed nine inches. A minimum trap pan tension setting of 10 pounds is required in most regions of the state to help avoid the non-target capture of smaller species. No trap may be set within 30 feet of an exposed carcass or bait that is visible from above. Wolf snares must be equipped with a loop stop that will close to a loop no smaller than 2.5 inches in diameter, have a breakaway device rated at 1,000 lbs. or less installed on the loop end, and must be placed such that the bottom of the snare loop is at least 18 inches above the surface. Power-assisted (spring-loaded) snare locks are prohibited on wolf snares on public lands. Body Gripping traps may NOT be used to take wolves. Traps and snares are required to be visually checked at least once every 48 hours.
 - O A 150-foot setback is required for wolf traps and snares along open roads and hiking trails on public federal and state lands, though there are exceptions. While most areas of the state require a 500-foot setback for high recreational use trails and roads, no setbacks are required in several areas in Trapping District 1. On publicly owned lands, foothold traps and snares are prohibited within 1,000 feet of a designated campground, recreation site, or marked trailhead that is accessible by highway vehicle. Foothold traps are also prohibited within 1,000 feet of an occupied dwelling without written notification of the occupant.
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- 9. Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the 2022-23 Montana wolf TRAPPING regulations listed above? (circle ONLY one number below)

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Q9	Very <u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Satisfied	Very <u>Satisfied</u>	
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10. On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant)	, how tolerant are you with wolf TRAPPING in Montana?
(circle ONLY <u>one</u> number below)	

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010	<u>Intolerant</u>	<u>Intolerant</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Tolerant</u>	<u>Tolerant</u>
	Very				Very

11. Based on Montana's experience with a wolf trapping season during the past five years, has your tolerance of wolf **TRAPPING** in the state changed over time?

12. On a scale from 1 (much too short) to 5 (much too long), what is your opinion regarding the length of the Montana wolf <u>HUNTING</u> season (September 3 – March 15)? (circle ONLY <u>one number below</u>)

Q12	Much too <u>Short</u>	Too <u>Short</u>	Neither	Too Long	Much too <u>Long</u>
	1	2	, 3	4	5
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13. On a scale from 1 (much too short) to 5 (much too long), what is your opinion regarding the length of the Montana wolf <u>TRAPPING</u> season (November 28 – March 15, with a floating start date in occupied grizzly bear habitat)? (circle ONLY <u>one number below</u>)

Q13	Much too <u>Short</u>	Too <u>Short</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Too <u>Long</u>	Much too <u>Long</u>
	1	2	3	, 4	5
			(9=mis	sing)	

14. On a scale from 1 (way too few) to 5 (way too many), what is your opinion regarding the bag limit (e.g., 20 wolves per person—10 by trapping, 10 by hunting) for the Montana wolf HUNTING/TRAPPING season? (circle ONLY one number below)

414	Way too <u>Few</u>	Too <u>Few</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Too <u>Many</u>	Way too <u>Many</u>
	1	2	3	4	5
			(9= m	issing)	

15. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree that wolf populations should be controlled when they... (circle ONLY one number for each item below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q159	threaten big game populations	1	2	3	4	5	ć,
Q15b	are sighted near human development	1	2	3	4	5	2,7
Q15 a	threaten livestock	1	2	3	4	⁵ , 0	7
Q15d	threaten pets	1	2	3	4	5	ン
915e	threaten people	1	2	3	4	5	

16. Some people take actions to prevent or respond to conflicts with wolves. On a scale from 1 (very unacceptable) to 5 (very acceptable), how acceptable do you find the following potential actions that people might take? (circle ONLY one number for each potential action below)

		Very <u>Unacceptable</u>	<u>Unacceptable</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Acceptable</u>	Very <u>Acceptable</u>	
Q169	Preventative non-lethal actions (e.g., flagging/fladry, fencing, guard dogs, range riders)	1	2	3	4	5	100
Q163	Preventative lethal actions (e.g., removing wolves in areas with high livestock presence or potential for conflicts, before they attack livestock)	1	2	3	4	5	11.55
Q16c	Lethal removal of wolves after they attack livestock, to prevent future conflicts (even if non-lethal efforts have not yet been attempted)	1	2	3	4	5 6	-
Q16d	Lethal removal as a last resort (e.g., removing wolves after they attack livestock, but only after non-lethal efforts have been exhausted)	. 1	2	3	4	5	

17. Have you ever had any interactions with wolves (e.g., seen tracks, heard a wolf howl, watched wolves, had wolves damage property, know of others who have had property damaged by wolves, etc.)?

a. What interactions have you had with wolves? (check ALL that apply below)

Q1741 [] I have seen wolf tracks at least once
Q1742 [] I have heard a wolf howl at least once
Q1743 [] I have watched wolves from afar at least once
Q1744 [] I have seen wolves very close to my home
Q1745 [] Wolves have damaged my property at least once

(2174 6 [] I know people who have had their property damaged by wolves at least once (2174 7 [] I have had an interaction with wolves that made me fear for my safety

Q1718 [] I have had an interaction with wolves that I enjoyed.

b. On a scale from 1 (very negative) to 5 (very positive), overall, how would you rate the interactions you've had with wolves? (circle ONLY one number

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(-		Very <u>N</u> egative	<u>Negative</u>	Neither	<u>Positive</u>	Very <u>Positive</u>
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18. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on WOLF related wildlife issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

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Q 全分 Very Infrequently Infrequent	Very ently <u>Neither Frequently</u> <u>Frequently</u>

19. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on NON-WOLF related issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

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Very <u>Infrequently</u>	Infrequently	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Frequently</u>	Very <u>Frequently</u>
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Q20 ^{20.}	Did you closely follow hunting/trapping sea	v the season sons?	setting proc	ess for the	2022-23 [Montana wol	If	1= []NO (7=	2.= []YES :m:ssing)
921	Did you actively parti used to authorize the includes providing co & Wildlife Commission	2022-23 Mo mments via	ontana wolf email, the In	hunt/trapp iternet, lett	ing seasoi er, or in-p	ns? Active pa erson at Mo	articipatior Intana Fìsh	1= []NO	2 = []YES 1:35:175)
	On a scale from 1 (str following statements						ou agree or	disagree w	ith the
				Stron <u>Disag</u>		gree <u>Neith</u>	<u>er Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q22a	The average citizen commanagement decision		luence on wol	lf 1		2 3	4	5	_
Q225	I have very little ability regarding wolf manag		interests	1		2 3	4	5	الايم.
QUC	I have the opportunity management decision		ut on wolf	1		2 3	4	5	N. S.
Q22d	Wildlife agencies liste	n to my input		1		2 3	4	5	Č
Q22e	Wildlife agencies resp	ect my way of	life	1		2 3	4	5	
Qzzf	Wildlife management live outside of Montan		y people who	1		2 3	4	5	
23.	Prior to receiving this								
Q23q	Montana laws allov seasons authorized a viable population	by the Monta	ana Fish & Wi	Idlife Comm	ssion as lo	ng as there is		[] NO	2.= []YES -
Q231	The Montana Fish a the Internet, letters whether or not to a			_1	1	of its proposes	to concider	[] NO	YES (
Q23	whether or not to a Dates and times of Website and in pub	Montana Fish olic press relea	& Wildlife Co ses sent out	ommission m by the agend	eetings ar	e identified o	n FWP's	!= []NO	2= 1 YES
	Overall, on a scale froin Montana? (circle O			5 (very sat	isfied), ho	ow satisfied a	are you wit	h wolf mana	agement
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	On a scale from 1 (ve Wildlife & Park's abili		ence) to 5 (v	very high co	nfidence)), how confid		u with Mont	ana Fish,
Q25	•	Very Low Confidence	Low <u>Confidence</u>	<u>Neither</u>	High <u>Confider</u>	Very Hig nce <u>Confider</u>	_		
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26. Based on Montana's experience in managing wolves during the past five years, has your confidence in Montana Fish, Wildlife & Park's ability to manage wolves in the state changed over time?

27. Below are several statements representing different ways people think about fish and wildlife. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 7 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with each statement. (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Moderately <u>Disagree</u>	Slightly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Slightly <u>Agree</u>	Moderately <u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q27a	Humans should manage fish and wildlife populations so that humans benefit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q275	Animals should have rights similar to the rights of humans	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27c	I view all living things as part of one big family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27d	Hunting does not respect the lives of animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27 e	I feel a strong emotional bond with animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q275	The needs of humans should take priority over fish and wildlife protection	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 .	\
CP279	I care about animals as much as I do other people	1	2	3	4	5	6	1 7 7 7 7 8 W.S.W.S.	
QZAn	Fish and wildlife are on earth primarily for people to use	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 11	
Q27:	Hunting is cruel and inhumane to the animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27;	We should strive for a world where humans and fish and wildlife can live side by side without fear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27k	I value the sense of companionship I receive from animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q271	Wildlife are like my family and I want to protect them	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27m	People who want to hunt should be provided the opportunity to do so	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

30	on a scale from 1 (v). license in the future	•		• -	ly are you to	purchase a ivi	ontana <u>WOLF HUNTING</u>
Q30	>	Very <u>Unlikely</u> 1	<u>Unlikely</u> 2	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Likely</u>	Very <u>Likely</u> 5	
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Q31 ³¹	For the 2022-23 sea	son, did you p	•			e to trap wolve	es? [] NO [] YES (9=m:ssing)
32	. On a scale from 1 (v to trap wolves in the					purchase a M	ontana <u>TRAPPING</u> license
Q 37	2	Very <u>Unlikely</u>	<u>Unlikely</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Likely</u>	Very <u>Likely</u>	
		1	2	3 (9 = m:	ising)	5	
433	. For the 2022-23 sea		urchase a lic	cense to hun	t deer and/o		1= 2= na? []NO []YES (q=missing)
Q34	. Do you personally o	wn <u>160 or mo</u>	<u>re acres</u> of la	and in Monta	na? [] N	NO [] YES	
35 Q35	2.3 [] YES	_ エチ №,\ If yes, whic	رمدد Q3 h of the follo	56 blan wing BEST DES	CRIBES this li		on? (check only one) /or for personal consumption
36 ³⁶	. How old are you?	(age in y (999 = mi	ears)				
37 Q37	. Are you? [] Fen	nale [] N	Male う)				

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

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Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Human Dimensions Program, Wildlife Division 1420 East Sixth Avenue, P.O. Box 200701 Helena, Montana 50620-0701



CODING MANUAL

Landowner WOLF Survey (YELLOW)

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		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q19	I think wolves are beautiful animals	1	2	3	4	5	
Q13	I think wolves pose a safety risk to people I care about	1	2	3	4	5	55.55
Q1c	I think wolves are important for ecosystem health	1	2	3	4	5	Ψ, · ? ₂
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Q1e	I enjoy knowing that wolves exist in Montana, even if I never see one	1	2	3	4	5	<u>.</u>
Q1 ç	Wolves are a burden I'd rather not deal with	1 .	2 ·	3	4	5	

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Q2a	I think wolves can positively contribute to the outdoor economy in Montana	1	2	3	4	5
Q26	Wolves limit my recreational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5 (g/missing)
Q2c	I am concerned about wolves damaging things I care about	1	2	3	4	5 (0)
QZJ	I think wolves have a right to exist in Montana	1	2	3	4	5
QZe	I feel my personal safety is threatened by wolves	1	2	3	4	5

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		(9=mi	ssing)	
1	2	, 3	4	5
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Very

Dissatisfied Dissatisfied Neither Satisfied Satisfied

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Comments:

Q5 Comments Sheet (type rerbation)

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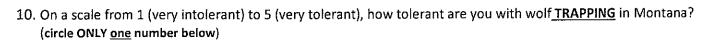
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	Very <u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Satisfied</u>	Very <u>Satisfied</u>		
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Q10	Very <u>Intolerant</u>	<u>Intolerant</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Tolerant</u>	Very <u>Tolerant</u>
	1	2	3	4	5
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11. Based on Montana's experience with a wolf trapping season during the past five years, has your tolerance of wolf **TRAPPING** in the state changed over time?

12. On a scale from 1 (much too short) to 5 (much too long), what is your opinion regarding the length of the Montana wolf <u>HUNTING</u> season (September 3 – March 15)? (circle ONLY <u>one number below</u>)

Q12	Much too <u>Short</u>	Too <u>Short</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Too <u>Long</u>	Much too Long
	1	2	3	, 4	5
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13. On a scale from 1 (much too short) to 5 (much too long), what is your opinion regarding the length of the Montana wolf <u>TRAPPING</u> season (November 28 – March 15, with a floating start date in occupied grizzly bear habitat)? (circle ONLY <u>one</u> number below)

14. On a scale from 1 (way too few) to 5 (way too many), what is your opinion regarding the bag limit (e.g., 20 wolves per person—10 by trapping, 10 by hunting) for the Montana wolf HUNTING/TRAPPING season? (circle ONLY one number below)

			(9= miss	ing)	
	1	2	3	4	5
Q14	Way too <u>Few</u>	Too <u>Few</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Too <u>Many</u>	Way too <u>Many</u>

15. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree that wolf populations should be controlled when they... (circle ONLY one number for each item below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q159	threaten big game populations	1	2	3	4	5	Co.
Q15b	are sighted near human development	1	2	3	4	5	mising,
Q15c	threaten livestock	1	2	3	4	5 (Q)	
Q15d	threaten pets	1	2	3	4	5	
Q15e	threaten people	1	2	3	4	5	

16. Some people take actions to prevent or respond to conflicts with wolves. On a scale from 1 (very unacceptable) to 5 (very acceptable), how acceptable do you find the following potential actions that people might take? (circle ONLY one number for each potential action below)

		Very <u>Unacceptable</u>	<u>Unacceptable</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Acceptable</u>	Very <u>Acceptable</u>	
Q16a	Preventative non-lethal actions (e.g., flagging/fladry, fencing, guard dogs, range riders)	1	2	3	4	5	
Q14b	Preventative lethal actions (e.g., removing wolves in areas with high livestock presence or potential for conflicts, before they attack livestock)	1	2	3	4	5	100
Q14c	Lethal removal of wolves after they attack livestock, to prevent future conflicts (even if non-lethal efforts have not yet been attempted)	1	2	3	4	5 (of	,
Q16d	Lethal removal as a last resort (e.g., removing wolves after they attack livestock, but only after non-lethal efforts have been exhausted)	1	2	3	4	5	

17. Have you ever had any interactions with wolves (e.g., seen tracks, heard a wolf howl, watched wolves, had wolves damage property, know of others who have had property damaged by wolves, etc.)?

Q17

a. What interactions have you had with wolves? (check ALL that apply below)

Q17q1 [] I have seen wolf tracks at least once
Q17q2 [] I have heard a wolf howl at least once
Q17q3 [] I have watched wolves from afar at least once
Q17q4 [] I have seen wolves very close to my home
Q17q5 [] Wolves have damaged my property at least once
Q17q6 [] I know people who have had their property damaged by wolves at least once

Q1797 [] I have had an interaction with wolves that made me fear for my safety Q1798 [] I have had an interaction with wolves that I enjoyed.

2274 [] I have had an interaction with wolves that I enjoyed.

 b. On a scale from 1 (very negative) to 5 (very positive), overall, how would you rate the interactions you've had with wolves? (circle ONLY one number

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		1	2	3	4	5
		<u>Negative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Positive</u>
Q115	below)	Very				Very

18. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on WOLF related wildlife issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q18

Very				Very						
Infrequently	<u>Infrequently</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Frequently</u>	Frequently						
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19. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on NON-WOLF related issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q19	Very <u>Infrequently</u>	Infrequently	<u>Neither</u>	Frequently	Very <u>Frequently</u>
	1	2	(9 = mis. (OVER)	sing) ⁴	5

	Did you closely follow the season setting proc nunting/trapping seasons?				[] NO (9=m:	2 = [] YES 33: ng)	
Q21.	Did you actively participate in the formal procused to authorize the 2022-23 Montana wolf includes providing comments via email, the In Wildlife Commission meetings.	hunt/trapping s ternet, letter, c	seasons? A or in-perso	Active partion at Monta	nmission cipation na Fish [2]NO (9: m	2= [] YES issing)	
	On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (stro following statements? (circle ONLY <u>one</u> numbe				gree or di	sagree wit	th the	
		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly Agree		
Q229	The average citizen can have an influence on wol management decisions	f 1	2	3	4	5		
Q225	I have very little ability to protect my interests regarding wolf management	1	2	3	4	5	bing	
Q22 c	I have the opportunity to provide input on wolf management decisions	1	2	3	4	5 (0	I'm'	
Q22d	Wildlife agencies listen to my input	1	2	3	4	5	Č	
Q23e	Wildlife agencies respect my way of life	1	2	3	4	5		
QZZS	Wildlife management is controlled by people who live outside of Montana	1	2	3	4	5		
23. F	Prior to receiving this survey, were you aware	of the followin	g?					
Q23a	Montana laws allow wolves to be legally harve seasons authorized by the Montana Fish & Wil a viable population of wolves in the state	Idlife Commissio	n as long as	there is	[2 : [] YES	33
Q236	The Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission acce the Internet, letters, and in-person at Commiss whether or not to authorize a wolf hunting/tra	sion meetings) as	s part of its	process to c	onsider l	2 3 NO	2 = [] YES	- M. 53
Q23 0	The state of the s	mmission meeti	ngs are ider	ntified on FW	/P's \	_	Z = 0 [] YES	^ _
	Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to n Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)	5 (very satisfie	d), how sa	tisfied are y	ou with w	volf manag	gement	
Q24"	Very			Very				
-10-1	<u>Dissatisfied</u> <u>Dissatisfied</u> 1 2	Neither S 3 9 3 M:55ing	Satisfied 4	<u>Satisfied</u> 5				
	n a scale from 1 (very low confidence) to 5 (v Vildlife & Park's ability to manage wolves in tl	ery high confid	lence), hov			vith Monta	ana Fish,	
Q25	Very Low Low <u>Confidence</u> <u>Confidence</u>		High	Very High Confidence	•			
	1 2	(9=missi	ng)	5				

26. Based on Montana's experience in managing wolves during the past five years, has your confidence in Montana Fish, Wildlife & Park's ability to manage wolves in the state changed over time?

27. Below are several statements representing different ways people think about fish and wildlife. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 7 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with each statement. (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Moderately <u>Disagree</u>	Slightly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Slightly <u>Agree</u>	Moderately <u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q 279	Humans should manage fish and wildlife populations so that humans benefit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q276	Animals should have rights similar to the rights of humans	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27c	I view all living things as part of one big family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27d	Hunting does not respect the lives of animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27e	I feel a strong emotional bond with animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	_
Q215	The needs of humans should take priority over fish and wildlife protection	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
QUIG	I care about animals as much as I do other people	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7,53
Q27h	Fish and wildlife are on earth primarily for people to use	1	2	3	4	5	6	7,0	W:/
Q27:	Hunting is cruel and inhumane to the animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	نب
Q27;	We should strive for a world where humans and fish and wildlife can live side by side without fear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27K	I value the sense of companionship I receive from animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27 1	Wildlife are like my family and I want to protect them	1	2 .	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27m	People who want to hunt should be provided the opportunity to do so	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

Q 28 28. Do you hunt in Montana? [] NO [] YES (9=m:55ing)

29. For the 2022-23 season, did you purchase a Montana WOLF HUNTING license? [] NO [] YES (9?m:ssing)

		n a scale from 1 (ve ense in the future				ly are you to	purchase a Mo	ontana <u>WOLF HUI</u>	<u>NTING</u>
Q	30		Very <u>Unlikely</u>	<u>Unlikely</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Likely</u>	Very <u>Likely</u>		
			1	2	(9 = m:53	4 (15)	5		
(३१	31. Fo	r the 2022-23 seas	son, did you p				se to trap wolve	es? [] NO]	2 <i>=</i> []YES > ing)
Q32		n a scale from 1 (ve trap wolves in the					purchase a Mo	ontana <u>TRAPPING</u>	license
•			Very <u>Unlikely</u>	Unlikely	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Likely</u>	Very <u>Likely</u>		
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235		ow old are you?							
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!

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1. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Disagree	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	e de la companya de
Q11	I think wolves are beautiful animals	1	2	3	4	5	
1	I think wolves pose a safety risk to people I care about	1	2	3	4	5	(wished)
	I think wolves are important for ecosystem health	1	2	3	4	5	(a.m.
	Wolves negatively affect my economic well-being	1	2	3	4	5	(1)
J	I enjoy knowing that wolves exist in Montana, even if I never see one	1	2	3	4	5	
Q1F	Wolves are a burden I'd rather not deal with	1	2	3	4	5	

2. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q2a	I think wolves can positively contribute to the outdoor economy in Montana	1	2	3	4	5	المهيز
	Wolves limit my recreational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5	(a.missin)
	I am concerned about wolves damaging things I care about	1	2	3	4	5	Cor
J	I think wolves have a right to exist in Montana	1	2	3	4	5	
QZe	I feel my personal safety is threatened by wolves	1	2	3	4	5	

3. On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant), how tolerant are you with wolves being on the Montana landscape? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q3	Very <u>Intolerant</u>	Intolerant	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Tolerant</u>	Very <u>Tolerant</u>
	1	2	3	4	5
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4. On a scale from 1 (much too low) to 5 (much too high), what is your opinion regarding Montana's wolf population right now? (circle ONLY one number below)

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84		Much too <u>Low</u>	Too <u>Low</u>	About the R <u>ight Size</u>	Too <u>Hìgh</u>	Much too <u>High</u>	
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The following information is relevant to the WOLF HUNTING regulations in Montana:

- Using wildlife biologists, the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission monitors population numbers of many species, including wolves. This information is used to set specific annual hunting regulations and ensure that wildlife populations are not adversely impacted.
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 - o Wolf hunters are encouraged to avoid harvesting wolves with radio collars. Collared wolves provide wildlife biologists with important information.
 - o Wolf hunting is not allowed during the wolf denning season (generally after April 1).
 - o Electronic calls can be used for wolf hunting. Baiting is also legal for the hunting of wolves, though restrictions apply to the Lynx Protection Zone. Night hunting with artificial lights is also legal for wolves on private lands. However, it is illegal to hunt wolves with dogs.
 - o For hunter safety reasons, all licensed wolf hunters are required to wear a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange (fluorescent) material above the waist, visible at all times—during times when wolf hunting season overlaps with the general rifle season for deer and elk.
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- 5. Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the 2022-23 Montana wolf <u>HUNTING</u> regulations listed above? (circle ONLY one number below)

Very

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 On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant), how tolerant are you with wolf <u>HUNTING</u> in Montana? (circle ONLY <u>one</u> number below)

Very Very Neither Tolerant Very

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7. Based on Montana's experience with a wolf hunting season during the past five years, has your tolerance of wolf **HUNTING** in the state changed over time?

8. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly			Strongly		
		<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Agree</u>	
Q89	Hunting wolves makes them more wary of humans	1	2	3	4	5 (9:W	(6)
Q85	NOT hunting wolves makes them more comfortable around humans	1	2	3	4	5	

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- 9. Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the 2022-23 Montana wolf **TRAPPING** regulations listed above? (circle ONLY one number below)

	Very <u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Satisfied</u>	Very <u>Satisfied</u>	
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Q13

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14. On a scale from 1 (way too few) to 5 (way too many), what is your opinion regarding the bag limit (e.g., 20 wolves per person—10 by trapping, 10 by hunting) for the Montana wolf HUNTING/TRAPPING season? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q14

Way too	Too		Too	Way too
<u>Few</u>	<u>Few</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Many</u>	<u>Many</u>
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15. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree that wolf populations should be controlled when they... (circle ONLY one number for each item below)

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		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Disagree	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q15a	threaten big game populations	1	2	3	4	5	\sim
	are sighted near human development	1	2	3	4	5	12/4
ļ	threaten livestock	1	2	3	4	5	(0/k
A	threaten pets	1	2	3	4	5	<u></u>
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4161	Preventative non-lethal actions (e.g., flagging/fladry, fencing, guard dogs, range riders)	1	2	3	4	5	
	Preventative lethal actions (e.g., removing wolves in areas with high livestock presence or potential for conflicts, before they attack livestock)	1	2	3	4	5	11.
4	Lethal removal of wolves after they attack livestock, to prevent future conflicts (even if non-lethal efforts have not yet been attempted)	1	2	3	4	5 (Q	, T
Q16d	Lethal removal as a last resort (e.g., removing wolves after they attack livestock, but only after non-lethal efforts have been exhausted)	1	2	3	4	5	

17. Have you ever had any interactions with wolves (e.g., seen tracks, heard a wolf howl, watched wolves, had wolves damage property, know of others who have had property damaged by wolves, etc.)?

Q17

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a. What interactions have you had with wolves? (check ALL that apply below)

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, [] I have heard a wolf howl at least once	22 checked
 [I have watched wolves from afar at least once	2 = checked (9 = m. ssing westism entire was answer
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Q1798 I] I have had an interaction with wolves that I enjoy	ed.

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Q175	below)	Very				Very
		<u>Negative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Positive</u>
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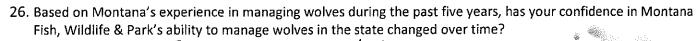
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Very <u>Infrequently</u>	Infrequently	<u>Neither</u>	Frequently	Very <u>Frequently</u>
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19. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on NON-WOLF related issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below) 419

Very				Very				
<u>Infrequently</u>	Infrequently	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Frequently</u>	<u>Frequently</u>				
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Q22F	Wildlife management live outside of Montar		y people who	1	2	3	4	5		
23. F	Prior to receiving this	s survey, wer	e you aware	of the followir	ng?					
Q239	Montana laws allow seasons authorized a viable population	by the Monta	ına Fish & Wil	dlife Commissio	n as long as	there is	[-] NO	Z > [] YES	ંક
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27. Below are several statements representing different ways people think about fish and wildlife. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 7 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with each statement. (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Moderately <u>Disagree</u>	Slightly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Slightly <u>Agree</u>	Moderately <u>Agree</u>	Strongly Agree	
Q27a	Humans should manage fish and wildlife populations so that humans benefit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	Animals should have rights similar to the rights of humans	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	I view all living things as part of one big family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	Hunting does not respect the lives of animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	I feel a strong emotional bond with animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	2
	The needs of humans should take priority over fish and wildlife protection	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	55.13
	I care about animals as much as I do other people	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	-m.35, h
į	Fish and wildlife are on earth primarily for people to use	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 🔨	<u>0</u>
	Hunting is cruel and inhumane to the animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	We should strive for a world where humans and fish and wildlife can live side by side without fear	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
	I value the sense of companionship I receive from animals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1	Wildlife are like my family and I want to protect them	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Q27m	People who want to hunt should be provided the opportunity to do so	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

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29. On a scale from 1 (very unlikely) to 5 (very likely), how likely are you to purchase a Montana WOLF HUNTING license in the future? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q29	Very <u>Unlikely</u>	<u>Unlikely</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Likely</u>	Very <u>Likely</u>
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1. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q1a	I think wolves are beautiful animals	1	2	3	4	5	
1	I think wolves pose a safety risk to people I care about	1	2	3	4	5	(بىر.
	I think wolves are important for ecosystem health	1	2	3	4	5	(a=Missing)
	Wolves negatively affect my economic well-being	1	2	3	4	5	Cd.
Ů ∴	I enjoy knowing that wolves exist in Montana, even if I never see one	1	2	3	4	5	
41e	Wolves are a burden I'd rather not deal with	1	2	3	4	5	

2. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>
Q2a	I think wolves can positively contribute to the outdoor economy in Montana	1	2	3	4	5
	Wolves limit my recreational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
	I am concerned about wolves damaging things I care about	1	2	3	4	5 (9=missing)
4	I think wolves have a right to exist in Montana	1	2	3	4	5
QZe	I feel my personal safety is threatened by wolves	1	2	3	4	5

3. On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant), how tolerant are you with wolves being on the Montana landscape? (circle ONLY one number below)

Very <u>Intolerant</u>	Intolerant	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Tolerant</u>	Very <u>Tolerant</u>					
1	2	. 3	4	5					
(9=missing)									

4. On a scale from 1 (much too low) to 5 (much too high), what is your opinion regarding Montana's wolf population right now? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q4	Much too <u>Low</u>	Too <u>Low</u>	About the Right Size	Too <u>High</u>	Much too <u>High</u>			
	1	2	3	4	5			
		(9=missing)						
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The following information is relevant to the WOLF HUNTING regulations in Montana:

- Using wildlife biologists, the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission monitors population numbers of many species, including wolves. This information is used to set specific annual hunting regulations and ensure that wildlife populations are not adversely impacted.
- With this information, the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission approved the following regulations for the 2022-23 WOLF HUNTING season:
 - A license is required to legally hunt a wolf.
 - Quotas are used to limit the number of wolves that can be harvested in any trapping district or wolf management unit.
 - All licensed wolf hunters are required to report their harvest of a wolf within 24 hours of the time of harvest by calling a toll-free telephone number.
 - O Wolf hunters are encouraged to avoid harvesting wolves with radio collars. Collared wolves provide wildlife biologists with important information.
 - o Wolf hunting is not allowed during the wolf denning season (generally after April 1).
 - Electronic calls can be used for wolf hunting. Baiting is also legal for the hunting of wolves, though restrictions apply to the Lynx Protection Zone. Night hunting with artificial lights is also legal for wolves on private lands. However, it is illegal to hunt wolves with dogs.
 - o For hunter safety reasons, all licensed wolf hunters are required to wear a minimum of 400 square inches of hunter orange (fluorescent) material above the waist, visible at all times—during times when wolf hunting season overlaps with the general rifle season for deer and elk.
 - The maximum hunting and trapping bag limit is 20 wolves per person during the 2022-23 season. Persons may take up to 10 wolves via hunting and 10 wolves via trapping (maximum harvest of 20 wolves per person).
 - o Those licensed wolf hunters who legally harvest a wolf and choose to retain the skull and hide are required to personally present the skull and hide (with evidence of sex naturally attached) to a designated FWP employee within ten days after harvest. There is no requirement to possess any part of a harvested wolf.
- 5. Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the 2022-23 Montana wolf <u>HUNTING</u> regulations listed above? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q 5

Very

<u>Dissatisfied</u> <u>Dissatisfied</u> <u>Neither</u> <u>Satisfied</u> <u>Satisfied</u>

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6. On a scale from 1 (very intolerant) to 5 (very tolerant), how tolerant are you with wolf <u>HUNTING</u> in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

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Intolerant Intolerant Neither Tolerant Tolerant

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7. Based on Montana's experience with a wolf hunting season during the past five years, has your tolerance of wolf <u>HUNTING</u> in the state changed over time?

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8. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? (circle ONLY one number for each statement below)

		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Disagree	<u>Neither</u>	Agree	Strongly <u>Agree</u>
Q89	Hunting wolves makes them more wary of humans	1	2	3	4	5 (g=missing)
Q85	NOT hunting wolves makes them more comfortable around humans	1	2	3	4	5

The following information is relevant to the WOLF TRAPPING regulations in Montana:

- Using wildlife biologists, the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission monitors population numbers of many species, including wolves. This information is used to set specific annual trapping regulations and ensure that wildlife populations are not adversely impacted.
- With this information, the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission approved the following regulations for the 2022-23 WOLF TRAPPING season:
 - o A trapping license is required to legally trap a wolf, and wolf trappers must have proof of completing a Montana or Idaho wolf trapper certification class.
 - o Quotas are used to limit the number of wolves that can be harvested in any trapping district or wolf management unit.
 - o All licensed wolf trappers are required to report their harvest of a wolf within 24 hours of the time of harvest by calling a toll-free telephone number.
 - o Wolf trappers are encouraged to avoid harvesting wolves with radio collars. Collared wolves provide wildlife biologists with important information.
 - Wolf trapping is not allowed during the wolf denning season (generally after April 1).
 - o To avoid the non-target capture of grizzly bears, wolf trapping within occupied grizzly bear habitat has a floating start date dependent on den entry of collared bears.
 - O Foothold traps and snares are legal methods during the wolf trapping season, though snaring is not permitted on public lands within the Lynx Protection Zone. The inside jaw spread of foothold traps must not exceed nine inches. A minimum trap pan tension setting of 10 pounds is required in most regions of the state to help avoid the non-target capture of smaller species. No trap may be set within 30 feet of an exposed carcass or bait that is visible from above. Wolf snares must be equipped with a loop stop that will close to a loop no smaller than 2.5 inches in diameter, have a breakaway device rated at 1,000 lbs. or less installed on the loop end, and must be placed such that the bottom of the snare loop is at least 18 inches above the surface. Power-assisted (spring-loaded) snare locks are prohibited on wolf snares on public lands. Body Gripping traps may NOT be used to take wolves. Traps and snares are required to be visually checked at least once every 48 hours.
 - A 150-foot setback is required for wolf traps and snares along open roads and hiking trails on public federal and state lands, though there are exceptions. While most areas of the state require a 500-foot setback for high recreational use trails and roads, no setbacks are required in several areas in Trapping District 1. On publicly owned lands, foothold traps and snares are prohibited within 1,000 feet of a designated campground, recreation site, or marked trailhead that is accessible by highway vehicle. Foothold traps are also prohibited within 1,000 feet of an occupied dwelling without written notification of the occupant.
 - The maximum hunting and trapping bag limit is 20 wolves per person during the 2022-23 season. Persons may take up to 10 wolves via hunting and 10 wolves via trapping (maximum harvest of 20 wolves per person).
 - Those licensed wolf trappers who legally harvest a wolf and choose to retain the skull and hide are required to personally present the skull and hide (with evidence of sex naturally attached) to a designated FWP employee within ten days after harvest. There is no requirement to possess any part of a harvested wolf.
- 9. Overall, on a scale from 1 (very dissatisfied) to 5 (very satisfied), how satisfied are you with the 2022-23 Montana wolf **TRAPPING** regulations listed above? (circle ONLY one number below)

	Very <u>Dissatisfied</u>	Dissatisfied	Neither	<u>Satisfied</u>	Very <u>Satisfied</u>	
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11. Based on Montana's experience with a wolf trapping season during the past five years, has your tolerance of wolf **TRAPPING** in the state changed over time?

12. On a scale from 1 (much too short) to 5 (much too long), what is your opinion regarding the length of the Montana wolf <u>HUNTING</u> season (September 3 – March 15)? (circle ONLY <u>one</u> number below)

Much too	Too		Too	Much too
<u>Short</u>	<u>Short</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Long</u>	Long
1	2	3	4	5
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13. On a scale from 1 (much too short) to 5 (much too long), what is your opinion regarding the length of the Montana wolf <u>TRAPPING</u> season (November 28 – March 15, with a floating start date in occupied grizzly bear habitat)? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q13

Much too <u>Short</u>	Too <u>Short</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Too <u>Long</u>	Much too <u>Long</u>	
1	2	3	4	5	
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14. On a scale from 1 (way too few) to 5 (way too many), what is your opinion regarding the bag limit (e.g., 20 wolves per person—10 by trapping, 10 by hunting) for the Montana wolf <u>HUNTING/TRAPPING</u> season? (circle ONLY one number below)

Q14

Way too	Too		Too	Way too
<u>Few</u>	<u>Few</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Many</u>	<u>Many</u>
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15. On a scale from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree), to what extent do you agree or disagree that wolf populations should be controlled when they... (circle ONLY one number for each item below)

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		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
1	threaten big game populations	1	2	3	4	5	
	are sighted near human development	1	2	3	4	5 .	(cing)
	threaten livestock	1	2	3	4	5 (9;m;	33.0
	threaten pets	1	2	3	4	5	
و	threaten people	. 1	2	3	4	5	

16	. Some people take actions to prevent or respond to conflicts with wolves.	On a scale from 1 (very unacceptable)
	to 5 (very acceptable), how acceptable do you find the following potentia	l actions that people might take?
	(circle ONLY one number for each potential action below)	

		Very <u>Unacceptable</u>	<u>Unacceptable</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Acceptable</u>	Very <u>Acceptable</u>
Q169	Preventative non-lethal actions (e.g., flagging/fladry, fencing, guard dogs, range riders)	1	2	3	4	5
	Preventative lethal actions (e.g., removing wolves in areas with high livestock presence or potential for conflicts, before they attack livestock)	1	2	3	4	5 (4: miss
1	Lethal removal of wolves after they attack livestock, to prevent future conflicts (even if non-lethal efforts have not yet been attempted)	1	2	3	4	5
Q16d	Lethal removal as a last resort (e.g., removing wolves after they attack livestock, but only after non-lethal efforts have been exhausted)	1	2	3	4	5

17. Have you ever had any interactions with wolves (e.g., seen tracks, heard a wolf howl, watched wolves, had

wolves damage property, know of others who have had property damaged by wolves, etc.)?

7 1: [] NO - IF No leave 9174 3 Q 175 blank] YES......If yes, this next question has two parts: a. What interactions have you had with wolves? (check ALL that apply below) I have seen wolves very close to my home

Wolves have damaged my property at least once

I know people who have had at least once Q17q1[] I have seen wolf tracks at least once [] I have seen wolves very close to my home [] Wolves have damaged my property at least once [] I know people who have had their property damaged by wolves at least once

[] I have had an interaction with wolves that made me fear for my safety Q1748 [] I have had an interaction with wolves that I enjoyed.

b. On a scale from 1 (very negative) to 5 (very positive), overall, how would you rate the interactions you've had with wolves? (circle ONLY one number Q17b

below)	Very				Very
	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Positive</u>
	1	2	. 3	4	5
			(9=mis	ising)	

18. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on WOLF related wildlife issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

Very				Very	
Infrequently	<u>Infrequently</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>Frequently</u>	<u>Frequently</u>	
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19. On a scale from 1 (very infrequently) to 5 (very frequently), how much have you interacted with FWP in the past on NON-WOLF related issues in Montana? (circle ONLY one number below)

Very Infrequently	<u>Infrequently</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Frequently	Very <u>Frequently</u>
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QZv	20.). Did you closely follow the season setting process for the 2022-23 Montana wolf hunting/trapping seasons?							1= []NO (9=n	2= []YES [:33149)	
Q21	21.	21. Did you actively participate in the formal process the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission used to authorize the 2022-23 Montana wolf hunt/trapping seasons? Active participation includes providing comments via email, the Internet, letter, or in-person at Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission meetings.								Z= []YES ::55[ng)	
	22.	On a scale from 1 (st following statements						agree or	•	•	
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Q225		Wildlife management live outside of Montar		y people who	1	2	3	4	5		
	23.	Prior to receiving this	s survey, wer	e you aware	of the follow	ng?					
Q23	9	Montana laws allow wolves to be legally harvested during official hunting/trapping seasons authorized by the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission as long as there is a viable population of wolves in the state								2,3 []YES	
4	The Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission accepts comments from the public (via email, the Internet, letters, and in-person at Commission meetings) as part of its process to consider whether or not to authorize a wolf hunting/trapping season in Montana each year									7.7 [] YES	
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		Overall, on a scale froin Montana? (circle C			5 (very satisf	ied), how sa	tisfied are v	you with	wolf man	agement	
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		On a scale from 1 (ve Wildlife & Park's abili		ence) to 5 (v	ery high conf	dence), hov			with Mon	tana Fish,	
Q21	5		Very Low Confidence	Low <u>Confidence</u>	Neither	High Confidence	Very High Confidence				
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26. Based on Montana's experience in managing wolves during the past five years, has your confidence in Montana Fish, Wildlife & Park's ability to manage wolves in the state changed over time?

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		Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Moderately <u>Disagree</u>	Slightly <u>Disagree</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Slightly <u>Agree</u>	Moderately <u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	
Q27a	Humans should manage fish and wildlife populations so that humans benefit	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
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Q27m	People who want to hunt should be provided the opportunity to do so	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

(24) 28. For the 2022-23 season, did you purchase a Montana <u>TRAPPING</u> license to trap wolves? [] NO [] YES (1=m.35:ng)

29. On a scale from 1 (very unlikely) to 5 (very likely), how likely are you to purchase a Montana <u>TRAPPING</u> license to trap wolves in the future? (circle ONLY <u>one</u> number below)

Very
Unlikely
Unlikely

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