

Resolution #8
Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs

SUPPORT NORTHERN GRAY WOLF RECOVERY IN OREGON

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Background: The historic range of the Northern Gray Wolf once included most of Oregon and other parts of the west. After being extirpated from Oregon, wolves have begun to return on their own, but are now an endangered species in the state. There are now two breeding pairs in the state, and upon reaching a threshold of only four pairs - something that could easily occur within a short time, considering the mobility of the Idaho populations – the wolves could be delisted as the state plan is currently written. This does not represent a viable wolf population. The objective of the wolf plan ought to be a sustainable recovery of this native predator. Meaningful recovery can only be achieved using science-based wildlife management. Management should aim to protect Oregon’s native species and ecosystems, not to appease narrow special interests.

Resolution: The Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs urges ODFW to take every measure to protect the Northern Gray wolf packs now in Oregon, and to enable a sustainable recovery for the entire population.

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