



Wolf Conservation and Management Plan

Chapters 3 Overview





Key Facets

- ◆ Core Chapter
- ◆ Guiding principles
 - distribution over a significant portion of its range in WA.
 - viable population





Distribution

- ◆ Based on 9 ecoregions
- ◆ Triggers
 - 2/9 ecoregions-Threatened status
 - 4/9 ecoregions- Sensitive status







Population Goals

- ◆ Set population goals as wolves enter each ecoregion
- ◆ Considered MVP and Carrying Capacity models.
- ◆ Without the establishment of wolves there are too many variables
 - Prey models do not have precision
 - Predator/predator relationships may differ
 - Basic life history parameters may vary



WWG Issues/Comments

- ◆ Does the definition of delisting make sense?
- ◆ What reactions/thoughts do you have regarding the approach for determining statewide wolf population objectives in the future?
- ◆ What reactions/thoughts do you have regarding the strategies to address conservation?



WWG Issues/Comments

- ◆ Translocation of wolves to accelerate wolf dispersion into potentially low conflict areas.
- ◆ Concern over the level of immigrating wolves from Idaho is dependent on Id. management
- ◆ Process of wolf re-colonization is slow if dependent upon natural dispersal.
- ◆ Other issues from the Wolf Working Grp.?