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Name (optional):

Garold D. Powell

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Governor Bullock Grizzly Bear Advisory Committee

April 8, 2020

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is written to express my objection to any planned sport killing of *Ursus Arctos Horribilis* (Grizzly Bear) in the State of Montana. I base my objection to the Grizzly hunt based on the following points.

First, the Grizzly has a low reproductive rate and a high mortality rate. A female Grizzly averages 10 cubs over a 20 year lifetime. The mortality rate of the cubs is 50 percent in the first year. If every cub that survives beyond the first year is a female, you would have something near 11 bears at the end of the original bear's life. The estimate assumes sexual maturity at five years old. Can we hunt animals with a such a low reproductive rate that are already under stress from environmental issues and habitat loss?

Second, increased development pressures and human activity alone are going to pressure the bear population. Approximately 50 Grizzly were killed each year in 2018 and 2019 due to human activity. Therefore, each year, the bear population is reduced by 5-10 percent just through human interaction. And, the percentage of deaths will most likely increase with the upturn in the human population. Additionally, the 100 dead bears for 2018 and 2019 don't include either natural death or unreported killings. Do we need to hunt an animal that is already being slaughtered?

Third, I have never read a bear population study that takes into account the increased fire cycles, habitat loss, and isolation of the genetic pool. The questions I have concerning these issues are as follows:

- 1) How will the change in fire cycles of more, bigger fires burning the same acres affect the bears?
- 2) Will this burned habitat support more or fewer bears in the future?
- 3) Will the Northern Rockies become nothing but brush? And, how will that affect the bear population?
- 4) How will future developments in valleys affect the bear population?
- 5) How will the isolation of certain bear communities affect the population? Will isolated populations suffer from genetic disease and be threatened with extinction?

I don't think any of these questions of the bear's future have been adequately answered for me to support the hunting of Grizzly in the present.

Lastly, I have several unanswered questions on how hunting itself will affect bear health, activity and bear/human interaction:

- 1) Will bears become even more isolated to inaccessible areas of the mountains?
- 2) Will bears seek areas where hunting will not be allowed?
- 3) Will hikers have to worry about wounded Grizzlies?
- 4) Will bears become more aggressive or more skittish due to hunting? Will hunting act like natural selection changing bear behavior?
- 5) What happens when a dominant male is taken out of a territory - will aggressive young males be more prevalent in the mountains?

I think these are questions that have to be seriously considered before Montana goes stumbling into a mess.

In closing, I would like to thank those making this decision for considering the questions I have before making a decision on the future of Grizzlies in Montana.

Sincerely,

Garold D. Powell

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Robert Sargent

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There is no moral, or scientific justification for killing grizzly bears. Please follow the science.

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Bill Mckinley

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Why hunt grizzly bears in Montana?

What is best for successful grizzly bear management in Montana?

Two questions that need answered!!!!

Successful grizzly bear management is why I applied for the council and is why I've submitted my comments throughout this process. Knowing that there will be great ideas coming from this group that will support successful grizzly bear management I will take this time to focus on how hunting will make this list.

I understand the word "hunting" puts chills down your spine, regardless if you hunt or not. Hunting is the practice of seeking, pursuing and capturing or harvesting of berries, fruits, nuts, plants and wild animals. Gathering these renewable resources brings one close to nature and an appreciation or even a spiritual connection to Mother Earth.

Grizzly bears in several areas of Montana have reached recovery goals. With these numbers come different challenges. The challenge becomes, how to best use these areas to build population while increasing social acceptance. Hunting, I'll say selective harvesting, is the tool to do just that. By implementing selective harvest regulations FWP will build value for the bears as well as the private landowners. Without value tolerance is not achieved.

Increased social acceptance in conjunction with education will be a win win for encouraging the expansion, numbers and area, of grizzly bears.

I was thinking of expanding on selective harvest but I'll save that for another comment.

Thanks for the time you spend on striving for successful grizzly bear management.

Bill McKinley
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Charlie Donnes

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The ignorance of biology and shortsightedness of your proposed policy is impossible to comprehend without reference to Donald Drump Jr.

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Teresa Henderson

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Please do NOT consider trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

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Saundra Holloway

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Population experts say that it will take 5,000 bears in a reconnected Northern Rockies (encompassing the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (NCDE) - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak - Selkirks ecosystems) to sustain a grizzly bear population long term.

Grizzly bears have an incredibly slow reproductive rate, and it can take 10 years for a female grizzly bear to replace herself in the wild.

Pregnant bears would likely be shot during a fall hunting season, potentially leading to the removal of 4 or 5 bears rather than just one.

Seeing grizzly bears in the wild is a leading attraction for tourists from all over the world.

"Management" should not necessarily mean "hunting."

Thank you for allowing me to comment on this issue.

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WILLIAM KEETING

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So population experts say that it will take 5,000 bears in a reconnected Northern Rockies (encompassing the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (NCDE) - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak - Selkirks ecosystems) to sustain a grizzly bear population long term.

Grizzly bears in the NCDE are already struggling with the expanding human population, and opening up a hunting season will be an obstacle to establishing a healthy, connected population.

All Grizzly bears have an incredibly slow reproductive rate, and it can take 10 years for a female grizzly bear to replace herself in the wild.

Many pregnant bears would likely be shot during a fall hunting season, potentially leading to the removal of 4 or 5 bears rather than just one.

A (KNOWN) fact that seeing grizzly bears in the wild is a leading attraction for tourists from all over the world.

By you rushing forward with a hunting season before a connected grizzly bear population is established could substantially reduce grizzly bear numbers, squandering all the time and money spent on grizzly bear recovery.

Not any sport hunting will not change bear behavior as bears are solitary animals and cannot "learn" anything from the demise of other grizzly bears in distant areas.

Obvious to so many for long term persistence of grizzly bears management focus should be on establishing a large, metapopulation in a connected NCDE - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak- Selkirk ecosystem.

"Management" should absolutely mean (ONLY) "hunting."

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Jefferson Bray

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If our current predicament illustrates anything, it is that solutions, I.e. preservation, no longer support behavioural pursuits of "traditional" male paths of ejaculatory self-elevation. 'Trophy' killing for revenues, size measurement contests and body part props to narcissistic stories...and people wonder why they're "locked down". It's time for good ol' boyz 'culture' to grow up, or be stopped. Lead by example.

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Mark Lambrecht

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I believe the grizzly population in the tristate area of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming is fully recovered and all management authority should be transferred to state wildlife agencies. State management will bring into play a number of strategies—including limited, regulated hunting to ensure the long-term viability of grizzly populations.

I support state grizzly bear management with hunting for these reasons: (1) grizzly bear recovery goals for the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem population have been met; (2) the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem population of 1,029 bears has greatly expanded beyond the initial designated recovery zone into habitats with human and livestock presence—causing significant conflicts; (3) studies have determined grizzlies are adaptable to changes in habitat; and (4) delisting the bear and transferring management to state wildlife agencies ensures continued conservation of the species while also increasing funding for habitat conservation through the sale of limited hunting opportunities.

State wildlife agencies in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming have collectively spent millions of dollars over the last four decades on programs to study grizzlies, monitor populations and conserve their habitat. The hunters and anglers of these states who purchase hunting and fishing licenses, generating millions of dollars for programs to benefit grizzly bears and other wildlife, made these efforts possible. This revenue stream will continue to be available for grizzly bear conservation under state management—and will be significantly enhanced if states are able to sell limited opportunities for grizzly bear hunting.

Regulated hunting of grizzlies should follow these parameters:

- Establish that either sex grizzly bears may be taken, except adults accompanied by young, and young accompanied by adults.
- Establish that immediately after harvest of a grizzly bear, the tag must be validated and securely attached to the hide.
- Add grizzly bear to the list of species for which evidence of sex must be left naturally attached to the hide until mandatory check requirement has been fulfilled.
- Establish requirement that any hunter who kills a grizzly bear must report harvest within 24 hours by calling a toll free grizzly reporting number.
- Establish mandatory check requirement for grizzly bears whereby any harvested grizzly bear skull and hide must be presented to a state wildlife agency regional office for checking within 5 days of harvest.
- Establish targeted grizzly bear hunts in areas with significant human/livestock conflicts.
- Prohibit grizzly bear hunting within 200 yards of any designated dump ground or landfill.
- Establish a rule to limit harvest of a grizzly bear to once per lifetime.
- Protect the identity of individuals who draw grizzly bear hunting licenses and those who legally harvest grizzly bears.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

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Blake Nicolazzo

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Regarding the GBAC conversation around the role of hunting in GB mgmt- I don't honestly see a role for hunting when we are not engaging in proactive coexistence measures. That must be our first line of defense. If the government can fund \$250k for more Wildlife Services boots on the ground, they can find money to give people real time, real life solutions that keep everyone alive. We do not have a state-wide effort in place to coexist. Once that is up and running and we have even a simple majority of the population trying in earnest to peacefully live on the land that belongs to the bears, then we can talk about killing when all other potential solutions are exhausted. If the Covid-19 pandemic teaches us anything, it's that humans are being asked to reevaluate how we treat the natural world. What we do to them, we do to ourselves. Wishing you all good health.

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Mike Nemacheck

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear is unique to America bringing in tourist dollars from all around the world to view this majestic species. If we want a viable population in the northern rockies ecosystem hunting cannot be part of the equation. Please keep the grizzly bear on the endangered species list and do not allow it to be hunted in Montana. Thanks!

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David Mattson - 3

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

David Mattson, Ph.D.

8 April 2020

WILL HUNTING GRIZZLY BEARS MAKE THEM MORE FEARFUL AND THEREBY PEOPLE SAFER?

The idea that sport hunting will make grizzly bears more fearful of people has gotten a lot of attention in recent years as one of several justifications for removing endangered species act (ESA) protections for grizzlies in the Northern Rockies, devolving management to the states, and instituting a sport hunt.

The notion of instilling fear in grizzlies through a hunt is emotionally charged because there have been several bear-caused human fatalities in the Northern Rockies during the last few years. So the idea is to have sport hunters kill grizzlies to teach them to fear people. As a presumed result, there will be fewer bear attacks. People will be safer. To borrow a phrase from Valerius Geist, a proponent of hunting bears, people will have “freedom of the woods.”

What follows is my review of the logic and relevant evidence (or lack thereof) for these propositions. But first:

SOME GRIZZLY BEAR FUNDAMENTALS

The first point to be made is that grizzly bears exist at a baseline characterized by a greater tendency to respond aggressively to perceived threats compared to other bear species. Steve Herrero, a Canadian behavioral ecologist, was the first to speculate that this aggressiveness was rooted in the evolutionary history of grizzlies (Herrero 1972). Grizzlies (and brown bears—all of the same species, *Ursus arctos*) evolved in open environments where safety depended on an animal standing its ground and intimidating or beating back any threat. (You can find more on the formative evolutionary environments of grizzlies by following [this link](#) and [this link](#)).

Even so, grizzlies can exhibit a high degree of tolerance for humans and other bears that might otherwise be viewed as threats (Herrero 2002, Herrero et al. 2005, Smith et al. 2005). You can see this in coastal environments where bears have become highly socialized and tolerant of each other because of frequent interactions with conspecifics concentrated around salmon spawning streams. Or you can find this among bears that have interacted enough with benign humans to internalize a less fear-based response—a process known as “habituation.”

So, a couple of key points are worth making up front: First, grizzlies seem to be hard-wired genetically to deal with perceived threats aggressively. Second, and perhaps more importantly, grizzlies can become less reactive to people, not as a result of heightened fear, but rather as a result of the opposite. These fundamentals alone call into question the logic of using hunting to increase human safety. Killing grizzlies (and, as I address later, we’ve done a lot of that even with ESA protections) is unlikely to rewire the genetic underpinnings of their behavior; and less fear rather than more is probably going to make people safer, especially if we continue to reduce the number of circumstances (e.g., garbage around human residences or hunters near freshly-killed elk) that allow people to do things that trigger aggressive responses from even the most tolerant bears. I elaborate more on this a little later.

THE TAKE AWAY

Assuming that the focus here is on the question of whether sport hunting will instill fear in grizzly bears and thereby make people safer by reducing the odds of attack and injury, my main points are:

- Attacks by bears on people on foot are quite rare, whether near or far from residences. Estimates of attacks per close encounter with a grizzly bear range from 3 to 6 per 1,000—or 0.3 to 0.6% of encounters (Nadeau 1987; Mattson 2019, page 14). Close encounters are judged to be any that occurred at distances of 50-120 yards. These are really low odds. You stand a greater chance of being injured when encountering a strange dog. And this only accounts for encounters where the involved people were aware of it happening.

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- But what are the odds of a bear acting aggressively in any obvious way during a close encounter, typically by bluff charging or approaching in a threatening manner? This response happens during roughly 4-6% of encounters (Mattson 2019, pages 12-13).
- Focusing further on risk, let's assume that a close encounter did result in an aggressive response by the bear—so, involving only 4-6% of close encounters. What are the odds of injury given some degree of initial aggression? Estimates come in at around 6-18% or 6-18 of 100 encounters where aggression results in actual injury (Kendall 1983, Nadeau 1987, Mattson 2019).
- These low odds are premised on the bear acting aggressively in the first place—as opposed to being passive, curious, or fleeing. In fact, under circumstances where grizzly bears could be observed, they fled from humans during 72% of close encounters. During 22-24% of encounters the involved bear acted curious and eventually left, or didn't overtly react in any way (Mattson 2019, page 6).
- What about the known circumstances of attacks? Most people are attacked by grizzly bears for a limited suit of reasons, including: females with cubs defending themselves and their offspring; bears defending a food source that they've laid claim to, whether that food be natural or of human origin; close or other problematic encounters with bears attracted to human food sources; and chance surprise encounters. Only very rarely are attacks of a predatory nature and, if so, almost wholly at night involving people in tents (for example, Herrero & Fleck 1990; Herrero & Higgins 1999, 2003; Herrero 2002; Smith & Herrero 2018; https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_fatal_bear_attacks_in_North_America).

All of this leads to some pretty straight-forward conclusions: (1) grizzly bears don't actually pose much of a threat to people, especially compared to other risks for people out in the woods or pursuing normal day-to-day activities; (2) there is no obvious connection between any effect of sport hunting on grizzly bears and the types of circumstances that result in documented injuries; and (3) instead, there is a more obvious connection of risk to how people behave when they are out among bears, the proximal configurations of terrain and habitat, whether a bear is defending a food source or its dependent young, and whether people have food or other attractants available to bears around the places they live and work. Sport hunting does not address any of these risk factors and may, in fact, lead to people to be less cautious, less informed, and more lax.

- There is very little scientific evidence addressing whether sport hunting of grizzly bears leads them to become generally more fearful of people. The scant available evidence shows increased diel avoidance of people by hunted bears (Ordiz et al. 2012), which could lower odds of an encounter, but without any obvious connection to whether bears might be less aggressive during an encounter should it happen.
- Basic knowledge of animal behavior strongly suggests that a fearful animal such as a dog or cat will be more dangerous than one that is not during a close encounter. This almost certainly holds for bears as well.
- Tolerant (i.e., less fearful) bears are, by definition, not particularly reactive to people. As a consequence, tolerant bears tend to be less aggressive during most close encounters, which can make such encounters safer for the involved people (Herrero et al. 2005). On the other hand, bears that are tolerant of people will typically let people get closer than would otherwise be the case, which increases the odds that someone will do something stupid at close range. Nonetheless, there is no clear connection between sport hunting and the prevalence of tolerance or habituation—which typically develops when bears are seeking a food resource near people (Herrero 2002).
- Grizzly bears have been functionally “hunted” by people in the Northern Rockies even under protections offered by the ESA. Much of the human-caused mortality in defense of life and property functionally mimics hunting—complete with gunshots, blood, gory remains, and lots of associated human scent and sign. There is no evidence that bears have generally become more (or less) fearful.
- By definition, sport hunting will not occur in National Parks where a significant portion of bear attacks on people have happened (Herrero 2002). Even if sport hunting changed bear behavior it would not affect dynamics unfolding within Parks, other than, perhaps, along Park boundaries.

This, then, leads to some additional (final) conclusions: (4) despite intensive research on bear behavior in Europe and North America, and a de facto situation that functionally entails the hunting of grizzly bears in the Northern Rockies, there is no evidence that hunted bears are more fearful of people, other than perhaps through a tendency to be more night- rather than day-active. (5) Even if hunted

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grizzlies were to become more tearful of people, there is no reason to conclude that people would be safer; in fact, the opposite is more likely to be the case.

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Andrea Santarsiere

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I strongly oppose the potential for grizzly bear hunting in the future should protections under the Endangered Species Act be removed. To permit hunting soon after removing federal protections would be a drastic mistake. It would cause the public to lose faith in the state's ability to manage wildlife in a sustainable and ethical manner. Grizzly bears are solitary animals (aside from sows with cubs) and thus hunting grizzly bears will not change grizzly bear behavior in any way, because a dead bear doesn't learn anything. People come from all over the world hoping to see a grizzly bear in the wild here - imagine a tourist spending hours watching a grizzly bear and taking pictures only to find out that it was shot the next day. The tourism dollars spent in Montana by wildlife watchers far outweighs any monetary gain that trophy hunters would bring to the state. I believe that permitting trophy hunting would be a black scar on the State of Montana.

I was happy when Montana declined to permit a hunt after federal delisting two years ago and hope that Montana would once again see and follows the wisdom in that decision.

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Katherine

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting in the future. We can't hunt these beautiful and ecologically important animals!

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Susan Larsen

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose all grizzly bear hunting.

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Name (optional):

Dianne DuBois

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose hunting of grizzly bears in our state. Grizzly bears are a critical part of our ecosystems and intact ecosystems are a huge draw for our tourism (hiking, nature tours, birding) industry that employs my family and many others.

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Lydia

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not allow grizzlies to be killed on behalf of cattle operations. It's wrong.

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Name (optional):

Julie Teel Simmonds

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would oppose any grizzly bear hunting in the future. These beautiful creatures belong in the ecosystem and play an important role in it. Their existence enriches our lives and outdoor experiences and enjoyment.

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Hannah

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I adamantly oppose further grizzly hunting. Please do not allow grizzly hunting now or in the future.

Thank you for consideration of these comments,
Hannah

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Eric

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please don't allow Grizzly Bear hunting. If you ain't eating it, don't shoot it.

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Sarah

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting in the future.

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm writing to oppose grizzly bear hunting in the future. Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ann Brown

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose all grizzly bear hunting in the future

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Q1

Name (optional):

Miranda

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please protect grizzly bears. This is their home too.

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Q1

Name (optional):

I. E. Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose hunting of grizzly bears in the future.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stephanie

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

No more grizzly bear trophy hunts. The species is not recovered enough to handle the slaughter.

#27

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is terrible and will drive away tourists.

#28

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting. Their #s are not adequate enough and they do not need to be hunted.

#29

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stephanie Feldstein

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting. It's harmful to the species and ecosystems as well as being cruel and unnecessary.

#30

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose any grizzly hunting in Montana

#31

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not ever allow grizzly bear hunting. I plan to take trips to your state for the beautiful and wildlife but I won't if you authorize the sport killing of majestic animals such as grizzly bears.

#32

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I live in the Idaho Panhandle and I oppose hunting of grizzly bears, who roam to and from our border. These species are under threat due to encroachment of their habitat and other human driven causes. Why on earth would you allow hunting them when they already face so many challenges?

#33

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan Beam

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am deeply opposed to the hunting of grizzlies for sport. These inspiring creatures remain pushed to margins of existence. They should remain alive in the wild instead of dead and mounted to the walls of the rich.

#34

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Q1

Name (optional):

Theresa Rettinghouse

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am opposed to Grizzly Bear hunting in the future.

#35

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Q1

Name (optional):

Patty Ames

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have been following the the Grizzly Bear Council since it's inception. I must say that overall I am extremely disappointed in the Council. I have witnessed the members dismissing science, what little of it that has been presented. Most memebers appear to not even comprenhend any of the science based information they have been given, let alone even read it. Most all of the Council memembers had a very clear agenda going into this process, along with a closed mind. I have noted that the members were each hand picked based on the positions they held prior to joining the Council, and most have stuck with their original bias and misinformed opinions. Some of their emotionally charged, hysterical beliefs are just down right embarrassing ;"my children are going to get eaten at the bus stop".

There are many scientfific papers written, that the Council were given (and most did not read them) describing how the grizzly bears are not recovered yet. It will be crimminal for Council memebers to vote to hunt bears, given their lack of basic scientific understanding. Of course the deck was stacked from the beginning. Mt. FWP is ill equipped to mange grizzly bears without a hunting season, let a lone with a hunting season. We have had record high mortality, increasing every year....it is way premature to consider a grizzly bear hunting season.

The Council of hand picked, biased members, is not representative of most intllegent, informed Montanans, who do not want our iconic State animal hunted before they are actually recoved.

Sincerely,
Patty Ames

#36

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly oppose grizzly bear hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sterling & Susan Richards

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I wish to express my hopes that you and others involved will think carefully about the plight of our beloved Grizzly Bears. They bring great revenue in tourism which is undeniable, yet the number of bears left is dwindling because of trophy hunting. So, we think the bears should be left alone. Stop destroying their habitat so they can live in quiet solitude. These bears are important to us.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Allison Melton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To Whom It May Concern:

I am strongly opposed to sport or trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Grizzly bear populations in Montana remain isolated. In the interest of recovery and survival of the species, genetic exchange needs to be possible, which would only be made less likely if trophy hunting were to be allowed. Grizzly bears are an important animal for ecosystem health and balance and their presence is what makes the northern Rockies unique. Grizzly bears are a significant economic driver, bringing people from around the world to Montana in hopes that they will be able to observe these majestic bears.

The species is also still in dire need of full ESA protection which is incompatible with sport hunting. Grizzly bears are still vulnerable and face a variety of threats like climate change, habitat destruction and fragmentation, as well as the loss of traditional food sources. Allowing hunting is unnecessary and would be a unacceptable source of additional mortality.

I am strongly opposed to hunting be used as cover for "problem bears." The most effective and long-term way to reduce conflicts between people and grizzly bears is public education and outreach, and implementation of practices and regulatory policies that keep attractants like pet food, grills, bird feeders, away from bears.

Please do the right thing to protect these bears so they will continue to be an iconic symbol of the northern Rocky west for generations to come and ensure that no sport or trophy hunting will come to pass.

Sincerely,

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dorothy

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am opposed to Grizzly bear sport hunting because it's not a viable way to manage the population. The Grizzly bears attract tourists from all over the world who want to catch a glimpse of this magnificent creature. Grizzly bears remain federally protected under the Endangered Species Act and I hope that they remain listed until we have stronger numbers of them. It can take 10 years for them to reproduce due to their slow reproductive rate. Hunters may end up shooting pregnant females and that would be a disaster.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Amaroq Weiss

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I write to urge you to not allow the hunting of grizzly bears if at any point Endangered Species Act protections are lifted or reduced for this magnificent species. Grizzlies once covered much of the Lower 48, including in the Plains landscapes of my home state, Iowa, all the way out to the California coast. But the great bears are mostly gone. What few we have left should remain free to live without persecution from humans, and certainly should be trophy hunted. No one needs to eat grizzly meat to survive and no one needs a grizzly fur coat to make it through the winter, so any hunting of grizzlies would solely amount to trophy hunts. Hunting grizz to deter conflicts with livestock also is not necessary, since nonlethal measures taken to protect livestock and deter conflict are much more effective over the long haul. there is likely no better example of this in the Lower 48 than can be found with the Blackfoot Challenge, in the state of Montana. Please use common sense and the best available science and the facts on the ground to make your decision -- all of which point to a decision of no hunting of grizzly bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tricia and John Wardlaw

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We do not support future grizzly hunt proposals.

#42

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Do the responsible thing and control the numbers.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Michelle MacKenzie

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am writing because I understand that the Council is considering opening up Montana's grizzly bears for sport hunting if and when the bears are delisted. I, like most Americans, find the idea of sport hunting these bears to be abhorrent.

Grizzly bears are one of the slowest reproducing species in North America. It could take up to 10 years for a female bear to replace herself. Further, it is very likely that a pregnant bear could be killed during such a hunt which means that hunters would be taking out not just the mother but also any offspring (up to two or three additional bears).

In addition, grizzly bears are the pillar of the tourism industry in Montana. People flock from all over the world to see them in the wild. You can photograph a grizzly thousands of times but shoot it with a gun only once. Bears are worth far more alive than dead. Moreover, killing grizzlies would likely mean that bears which have become tolerant of humans and tourist favorites would be easy targets and, like wolves, grizzlies would be seen less and less. This would impact the industries that rely on grizzly bear tourism - ranging from outdoor safaris to boutiques hawking grizzly bear trinkets. People don't come to Montana to see dead bears!

One of the reasons offered for leaping into sport hunting is that this would deter problem bears but this is illogical. Grizzlies are solitary beings. They are not going to be deterred from conflict by knowing that another bear has been killed for doing something because they are not witnessing anything.

Instead of moving toward sport hunting of these majestic creatures, Montana should focus on non-lethal management and work toward connecting the NCDE - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak- Selkirk ecosystems.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I hope that you take seriously the national opposition - and horror - that will result for a sport hunting season of Yellowstone and Glacier's beloved grizzly bears and move away from the idea of killing them for sport.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Collette Adkins

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose any grizzly bear hunting - these bears are an ecologically important, national treasure.

#45

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Q1

Name (optional):

Babette

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please just leave the wildlife and the bears at peace, in the wild, where they all belong. Stop all the abusive and inhumane hunting of ANY animals for ego sake! It's revolting and way out of date, now we protect our wildlife!!! Wake up and smell the nature of things! Humans do not have permission to destroy the wildlife who have lived on this earth far longer than we have. Do the right thing!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Annemarie Cavell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Are you so blind that you can't conceive of the fact that life is finite if you kill enough it is gone and it never comes back you don't see animals killing everything inside they kill exactly what they need and nothing else

#47

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Members of the Advisory Council, please suspend all grizzly bear hunting or trapping now and in the future. Thank you

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carla

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I want the grizzlies to be protected not hunted!

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting in the future. Please don't allow hunting of these amazing animals. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am opposed to grizzly bear hunting now and in the future.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Glenn Graham

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am strongly opposed to any trophy hunting of grizzly bears. They are endangered. Even if they werent endangered they shouldnt be hunted.

- 1) Trophy hunting is cruel, antisocial and outdated. Why should a hunter get to kill a bear that belongs to all of us? Its the 21st century, not the 19th.
 - 2) Seeing grizzly bears is a leading attraction for tourists from all over the world. Why would you squander that?
 - 3) Grizzly bear populations need to be protected and strengthened for a viable population. They need a connected population - NCDE - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak- Selkirk ecosystem.
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Q1

Name (optional):

Shelley Ottenbrite

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Time and again, it is proved that hunters are selfish beings who celebrate the torture of animals. Please stop playing with the grizzly listing under the ESA. Afford this national treasure of a species respect and protections. Stop practicing voodoo science. Enough grizzlies will be taken illegally in Montana -- we know that. We don't need to encourage this.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Predators control their own populations & should never be hunted. Please do not kill grizzlies

#54

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sue Janssen

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There is no way the grizzly bear in Montana should be delisted or considered for hunting. Just one scientist - Dr. Fred Allendorf - mentioned in the Flathead Lolo Bitterroot Citizen Task Force "Status of the Grizzly Bear" film says: 1. The Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem population is not viable in the long term without genetic connectivity to other populations. 2. The Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem population cannot be delisted because it is not an entity under the ESA. and 3. The only way to "recover" grizzly bears in the lower 48 is to protect habitat linkages between the isolated recovery areas.

This makes a whole lot of sense without even watching the rest of the film.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sheila Redman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not allow the hunting of Grizzly Bears. They are just recently recovered, and they're re already under stress due to climate change. There is absolutely no justification for killing them.

#56

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Q1

Name (optional):

L.M. Peacock

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Governor Bullock,

I strongly oppose opening up a hunting season for grizzly bears. Grizzlies in the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem are already struggling with the expanding human population. Opening up a hunting season will be an insurmountable obstacle to establishing a healthy, connected population.

For long term survival of grizzly bears - the focus first should be on establishing a large, metapopulation in a connected NCDE - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak- Selkirk ecosystem. Not rushing forward with a hunting season before a connected population is established. As well as not squandering all the time, energy and money that has already been spent for grizzly recovery. I ask that your administration does NOT reinstate grizzly bear hunting in Montana.

Respectfully,
--L.M. Peacock

#57

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Q1

Name (optional):

Elbert

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Governor Bullock,

As a life long hunter, I want to say that I strongly oppose opening up a hunting season for grizzly bears at this time. Grizzlies in the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem are already struggling with the expanding human population. Opening up a hunting season will be a huge obstacle to establishing a healthy, connected population of the bears.

For the long term survival of grizzlies - the focus first should be on establishing a large, meta-population in a connected NCDE - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak- Selkirk ecosystem. Rushing forward with a hunting season before a connected population is established will only create more delay and difficulties in accomplishing that goal. And may very well squander all the time, energy and money that has already been spent for grizzly recovery.

I ask that your administration NOT reinstate grizzly bear hunting in Montana at this time.

Respectfully,
Elbert Peacock

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mrs Burris

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am diligently asking you OPPOSE Grizzly Bear Hunting in the future, these bears are not recovered it is time to save Montana iconic wildlife, more people are against the hunting of Grizzlies than there are for hunting them. Please Oppose hunting Grizzlies Thank You

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudia Narcisco

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Comments on the Role of Hunting in Grizzly Bear Management Submitted by Claudia Narcisco

I have attended most of the grizzly bear advisory council meetings as a member of the public. At the first in East Helena in October, the public participated in an exercise documenting questions on a number of topics. These included the role of hunting. As shown in the photo of the Role of Hunting flip chart questions the public wanted answered included:

- Whether hunting was useful to address conflict and the expressed need for more science and research including consideration of sustainability.
- The relationship of hunting to other 'takes' including but not limited to road kill, 'problem' bears, and aggressive legislative actions such as SB 200, which analogous to wolves allowed landowners to kill wolves at 'perceived' threat. And,
- Consideration of perspectives of Tribal Nations in regard to trophy hunting of grizzly bear and the grizzly treaty (Tribal Heritage Bear Protection Act).

Six months later and except for inconclusive discussions on whether hunting can reduce conflict, there is still no consideration of other questions asked by the public at the onset of the advisory council specific to the role of hunting.

Regarding whether hunting can reduce conflict, the materials posted on the website offer discussion but no conclusion. The FWP briefing paper addressed whether "hunting could modify the behavior of bears so as to reduce their danger to humans." It determined, "We are not aware of definitive research that could support or refute either assumption for grizzly bears in Montana."

FWP referenced two studies on black bear in other

'jurisdictions', but these did not consider

'confounding effects of local food conditions on complaints.' Studies in Wisconsin and Ontario found no evidence that 'harvest' reduced subsequent human-bear conflict. Conflict was associated more with human population growth, annual variation in food sources, with complaints increasing with poor supply. These are the same conditions we face in Montana.

FWP references one position paper that concludes: "Where the primary management objective is to slow population growth or limit population size or distribution, then increasing human-caused mortality is the only option. A regulated and monitored hunt can do this effectively...Conversely, if the primary management goal is to reduce human-bear conflict, the crucial and, arguably, only efficient and long-term way to do so is through education, outreach, and implementation of practices and regulatory policies that remove bear attractants..."

So, unless the goal of the advisory council is to 'limit population size and/or distribution', HUNTING IS THE WRONG TOOL and should not be allowed to take up so much of the air in the room at this time. It certainly should not be recommended to the governor as a method to move grizzly recovery or social tolerance forward. Instead, the council should discard the question of hunting as a means to control grizzly bear behavior and focus more on human behavior with well developed recommendations that address education, outreach, and practices and policies that remove bear attractants.

The FWP support team pointed out that in regards to recreational hunting, the numbers would be so small that behavioral effects at the population level would be unlikely. They stated that, "although a hunt specifically targeting nuisance bears is theoretically possible, it would be logistically difficult and raise ethical issues regarding fair chase."

While the FWP team resorted to inconclusive studies of hunting on black bears in jurisdictions far from Montana, they missed the opportunity to include the works of respected regional scientists, wildlife biologists with direct experience with grizzly bear and its habitat in the Northern Rockies. For a start the council should become familiar with the document titled, "The Status of the Grizzly Bear and Conservation of Biological Diversity in the Northern Rocky Mountains", a short compendium of their work and research provided to each member by the Flathead Lolo Bitterroot Citizens Task Force. Several other regionally relevant presentations are also made available for the council to consider for this meeting.

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At several of the governors grizzly bear advisory council meetings tribal elders, biologists, and/or members voiced their objections to hunting of grizzly bear as inconsistent with tribal culture, tradition, and values. At the Polson meeting in January, I expressed my appreciation of the opening words of Tony Incashola, words that honored the grizzly bear; that understanding of its role would override hate and fear. He said to NEVER kill a grizzly bear except in self-defense. The advisory council should be aware that a grizzly bear hunt dishonors traditions of many tribal peoples. That this is nowhere reflected in the presentations and discussion materials provided at this juncture is inexcusable.

Upon grizzly bear listing under the ESA in 1975, hunting was closed in all areas except the NCDE. The FWP paper says only that in response to a lawsuit a court injunction closed the fall hunting season in 1991 and that subsequently the USFWS removed the authority for Montana to establish a grizzly hunt by federal rule. More information would have been appreciated. Fortunately, the Swan View Coalition disclosed it along with Fund for Animals filed the lawsuit to end the grizzly bear hunt in 1991, since at that time it was responsible for 48% of all known human-caused grizzly bear mortality in the NCDE. That hunting is even entertained as a hopeful means to garner social tolerance and placate a small but vocal constituency, shows that little has changed in the nearly 30 years since. If anything, pressures of a growing human population in key areas threaten recovery.

Any recommendation to promote removal of the grizzly bear from the protections of the Endangered Species Act is premature, as is return of a grizzly bear hunt in Montana, the Northern Rocky Mountains, or else in the lower-48 states where the grizzly bear is listed.

Note: I tried to attach a photo of the Role of Hunting flip chart with comments by the public, but the program would not accept.

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Name (optional):

Carla Abrams

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear council,

Many grizzly bear scientists have come out stating that the Montana population of grizzly bears is not yet recovered. Hunting would be a grave mistake at this time. I am against the hunting of the bears. Until linkage zones are secured for the different populations of bears, bears are not recovered. Until there is better genetic mixing, bears are not recovered.

I have little faith that this committee, biased as it is, will use the science out there to make an informed decision.

I am proud, as a Montanan, that we have 2 species of bears in our state. However, I am not proud of the way this important topic of the survival of the bears is being handled.

Thank you.

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Please stop grizzly bear hunts in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Debra Taylor

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have only seen one grizzly in YNP, and i could barely make it out in the distance. Maybe a quarter mile away. Please protect them! I would love to watch them fish in a stream, and doing so on a video on tv isnt the same. I fear sometime that all our large, beautiful animals will go the way of dinosaurs, and it will then be a discussion of whose fault it was. But then, who will really care, other than they were all taken from us. Please protect them!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nancy

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Regardless of whether grizzly bears are delisted or not, there should not be any trophy or sport hunting of the bears. Too many times hunters are irresponsible and kill pregnant and/or nursing bears, potentially causing the death of multiple bears. Grizzly bears, like other predator species, play an important role in their habitats and the ecosystem. No hunting of grizzly bears should be allowed.

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Name (optional):

Lee Metzgar

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To the Facilitators for the MT Grizzly Bear Advisory Council, Ms Stokes and Mr. Johnson:

I am an independent scientist with expertise in, and commitment to, recovery of a viable population of grizzly bears in the contiguous 48 states. I am deeply concerned that the MT Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council has received an inappropriately limited view of the scientific knowledge relevant to their considerations.

It is my understanding that the Council has received presentations from agency-based grizzly bear biologists who are or have been employed by MT Fish, Wildlife and Parks, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Park Service. In contrast, the Council has heard no presentations from non-agency-based grizzly bear scientists with research experience with bears in the 48 contiguous states.

In my view, the council urgently needs to hear from qualified, experienced, independent scientists who, over several decades, have criticized the data, interpretations, conclusions and recommendations of scientists connected to our public agencies. Agency-based work by no means constitutes "established science" with broad support from grizzly bear experts.

Some of the views of independent scientists with grizzly bear research experience have been distributed to Council members in the "Compendium of Expert Statements." Several highly qualified, independent scientists have also posted comments to the GBAC website. Because these "independent" views stand in contrast to those of agency-based scientists from whom the Council has heard, surely the Council would benefit from a chance to interact with these researchers.

Toward that end, I ask that you facilitate an opportunity for the Council to hear from and question independent scientists who have direct research experience with grizzly bears in the contiguous 48 states. Appropriate scientists could be selected from contributors to the Compendium and, given their current, cutting-edge research, Drs. Allendorf and Mattson would be outstanding selections. I suggest their names to you with their permission.

With appreciation for your consideration,
Lee H. Metzgar, Ph.D.
Professor of Biology and Wildlife Biology [Ret.]

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rhonda Dern

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana Grizzley Bear Advisory Council. My family spends our time and money traveling to Montana (I just cancelled a week in Gardiner due to the Virus but in the process of rescheduling) to see wildlife, It is past time for you to see that the system of killing wildlife to please a few is wrong. People want to see our wildlife and will spend money to do so. Keep Montana wild, America is watching and we are very concerned. Sincerely, Rhonda Dern

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please DO NOT allow trophy hunting on the grizzly bears .

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stephanie Taylor

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly trophy hunting is outdated and unnecessary.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Shana Kelly

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Counsel Members,

Thank you for taking the time to review comments.

As a native Montanan, growing up on Big Mountain in Whitefish, I shared the land with these amazing animals. Out of mutual respect and awareness of one another, we all lived together in peace. Grizzly are truly amazing animals, spiritual and untouchable, or so I thought. It saddens me to that their only predator (i.e., humans) continue to persist year after year to open hunting and continued vilification and fear continue.

In fact, there is a long history, which has only heightened more recently. Issues such as dwindling ecosystem and habitat, decreased food supply, rancher / hunter conflicts, decreased reproductive rates, yet each year, we observed new and continued efforts to open hunting and to delist this keystone species, regardless of the scientific community's clear opposition and data.

2000 A study was conducted regarding the distribution of grizzly. Data collected lead to the following recommendation by Michael Bader (2000), "I suggest there is merit in expanding designated recovery zones. Greater research and management attention must be paid to peripheral areas as range expansion by bears may outpace management response, with potentially negative consequences to both bears and humans."

2020 Despite research and recommendations to improve and expand habitat, no improvements have been made and in some cases have only worsened.

2007 The Fish and Wildlife Service tried to delist the Yellowstone grizzly, but were ordered to relist it after conservation organizations, successfully argued that the government hadn't considered the bears' rapidly declining food sources.

2020 Grizzly continue to face declining food sources, which resulted in human / bear conflict in the Spring and Summer of 2019, resulting in great than usual grizzly deaths.

June 30, 2017, "the Fish and Wildlife Service announced that the GYE grizzly bear population had met recovery targets and then designated and delisted the GYE grizzly bear Distinct Population Segment (DPS), returning management to the States and Tribes. Six lawsuits were filed challenging this action." U.S., Fish & Wildlife Services, Grizzly Bear Recovery Program, 2018 Report
September 24, 2018, the U.S. Court of Appeals. A handful of conservation groups, as well as Native American nations sued to stop the delisting—and once again prevailed, when Montana federal district court judge, Dana Christenson, ruled that the Fish and Wildlife Service failed to examine how removing protections for Yellowstone grizzlies would affect the species in other parts of the country and ordered it to relist the bear.

2020, again, nothing has changed here.

In addition to grizzly being a keystone species, there are many reasons that lifting the ban on hunting will jeopardize their population to dangerously low numbers. These include:

- Grizzly bears already struggling with the expanding human population, and opening up a hunting season will be an obstacle to establishing a healthy, connected population.
- Grizzly bears have an incredibly slow reproductive rate, and it can take 10 years for a female grizzly bear to replace herself in the wild.
- Pregnant bears would likely be shot during a fall hunting season, potentially leading to the removal of 4 or 5 bears rather than just one.
- Yellowstone's population of adult females plateaued in the early 2000s and has remained stagnant ever since. Why would we want to increase the pressures and likely accidental kills on females (with and without cubs), further devastating the population.
- Seeing grizzly bears in the wild is a leading attraction for tourists from all over the world.
- Sport hunting will not change bear behavior as bears are solitary animals and cannot "learn" anything from the demise of other grizzly bears in distant areas. We also need to break the false narrative of animal "management" means "hunting," especially when it

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comes to grizzly populations.

- Grizzly are a keystone species, meaning they are the backbone of the ecosystem. Their survival is important to maintaining homeostasis across all other species in the food web. If a keystone species is removed, then there can be a collapse of the entire ecosystem.

- Their population is nowhere near scientifically agreed upon "recovery" numbers. Please see below.

"Before 1800, an estimated 50,000 grizzly bears roamed from the Great Plains to the California coast, and south into Texas and Mexico. When the Fish and Wildlife Service first listed the grizzly bear as threatened in 1975, that number had dropped to fewer than 1,000."

Sierra, August 2019

The current population, according to The Bear Resistance, "Today, with the western United States inhabited by millions of Americans, only a few small corners of grizzly country remain, supporting about 1,200 – 1,400 wild grizzly bears. Of 37 grizzly populations present in 1922, 31 were extirpated by 1975."

1,200-1,400 wild grizzly is only a sliver of what population experts, scientist, and biologists suggest, "Population experts say that it will take 5,000 bears in a reconnected Northern Rockies (encompassing the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (NCDE) - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak - Selkirks ecosystems) to sustain a grizzly bear population long term." Further, it seems each letter I write, year after year, the numbers have remained, rather than increased.

Once again, I ask this committee to uphold the ban on hunting.

Sincerely,

Shana Kelly, M.S., CCC-SLP

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melissa Fratello

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly oppose the hunting of grizzlies in the state of Montana. Grizzlies and other predators are an integral part of the ecosystem, and deserve the opportunity to thrive.

#70

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Q1

Name (optional):

Maurice Simon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We think all life is sacred. We often visit friends in Montana and enjoy the open space

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We respect all life and feel wildlife should be protected.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose any and all future Bear hunting. I would plead that your u consider banning all Bear hunting in the State of Montana, as it is both reprehensible, and unnecessary, Bears are being forced from their natural habitats as the lands are being commercialized and plowed over to turn into more residences. Please consider the future of both nature and the people of Montana before you make a decision. The people of Montana deserve to have Nature to live WITH.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Linda Read

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please reconsider the safety of these magnificent bears. Shooting them is not management. People come from all over to view these beautiful animals in the wild. Save the grizzlies, please.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matthew Lyon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I urge the GBAC to advise Governor Bullock to not consider grizzly bear sport hunting as a viable means to manage grizzly bears and to rescind the language in his Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM 12.9.103)

We don't need to hunt everything under the Big Sky. It's time for us to practice humility and responsibility. We literally hold the future of species like the grizzly in our hands, and if we open up hunting of them, we risk starting right back down the same path that nearly wiped them out to begin with. If hunting was the "best way" to manage grizzlies we wouldn't be having this discussion.

Grizzly bears are struggling with increasing numbers of people living, working and playing in their habitat. You can't balance out this problem by killing grizzly bears without halting or reversing the recovery of the grizzly bear population.

Urge the governor instead to beef up his Administrative Rules of Montana to better protect grizzly bears and their habitat so that grizzly bear numbers can increase and the various grizzly bear ecosystems can be reconnected. Population experts say it will take 5,000 grizzly bears in a reconnected NCDE-Yellowstone-Selway Bitterroot-Cabinet-Yaak-Selkirks ecosystem to maintain genetic diversity over the long term.

Shooting grizzly bears runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and their reoccupation of essential habitats. And sport hunting does not target the bears that may need to be killed on occasion as a matter of human safety.

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how do we access the online meeting?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melody Martinsen, Choteau Acantha

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Is the meeting start running late? 9:07 and no video.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Sargent

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There has never been a legitimate scientific, or moral justification for killing grizzly bears. Please listen to the science.

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Q3

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The link to the NRDC comment in the Agenda is not working, it just sends me to a blank white webpage

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Name (optional):

Chris Carnes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose hunting grizzly bears

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Name (optional):

Stephanie Kurose

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I vehemently oppose grizzly hunting in Montana!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melody Martinsen, Choteau Acantha

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Livestream stopped mid-way through Ken's presentation?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tina Zenzola

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think the live stream has gone offline, after about 26 mins of streaming.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

On your usual but expected from this particular group to bring in speakers from not only within our own boundaries but from other countries that do nothing but focus on shutting down hunting opportunities of a particular bear species that is caused and has continued to create extreme Danger to the public as well as to the farming community and other animals and you continue to ignore these facts and think that your financial payouts and shut up money is going to solve all the problems until one day you people are individually sued for your mismanagement when somebody dies that you wish didn't and then the results are going to end up right in your face in a court of law and I hope you are all taken to the bank because I have not seen one smart decision come out of Helena or the tri-state area in 10 years and you call yourself worthy for your positions you are all an embarrassment

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carol Deech

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Why would anyone consider hunting when the goal is recovery for all regions? Hunting does not reduce conflicts it reduces population. With the survival rate so low wouldn't it be beneficial to devote Funding towards research, non lethal methods this would reduce conflicts.

The population of Alaska and B.C is not comparison in any way. Canada is moving towards not having trophy hunts, why would we consider this? 90% of the population agree trophy hunting is appropriate means.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brent Morrow

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Continued rural sprawl appears to be one of the greatest threat to the Grizzly Bear and other wildlife habitat, especially here in the Swan Valley. The Lake County commissioners have made this worse by eliminating the density map. Another major threat to wildlife habitat is the Swan Forest Initiative, to build 70+ miles of new roads between Swan Lake and Condon. Please oppose these actions, and continue to support vital Grizzly habitat.

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Name (optional):

Brent Morrow

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chad Smith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thank for all that you are doing. I am just now getting involved and am just happy to follow along.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carol Deech

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think the population between 15,000 and 700. Is very much different and shouldn't even be on the same table. Lets get to 15,000 before we talk of a hunt

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sarah Ryan-Knox

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting in the future. Please stop!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brent Morrow

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

More effort should be put into trapping and transplanting bears in areas prone to human conflict, and loss due to highways, railroads, etc. kills. These bears could be moved in or out of Montana, to areas where the populations need to be re-established. Hunting should not be used as a management tool, as there is a limited population available to insure the species does not disappear, and much habitat is available throughout the west to expand the population.

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Q1

Name (optional):

keith kubista

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Ken said all removals are considered mortalities, so if bears are removed from an area for augmentation does limit the sending area from having a hunting season?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carol Deech

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Ken McDonnell communities can't just say we don't want grizzly bears in our area? That is absurd!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sterling Miller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

For Larry,

As the investigator of some of the first studies on the role of bear predation on moose calf survivorship and as one who has followed ongoing research on this topic in AK and elsewhere, it appears there is no evidence that increased hunting of bears has any impact on harvests of moose or caribou. Given this, why is Alaska continuing to liberalize bear hunting regulations throughout the state in a effort to increase harvests of these ungulates with no evidence that it does?

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

How would the states ensure that a hunt, if enacted, would not impact the potential for grizzly bear populations to connect with each other and to recolonize the Bitterroot recovery area?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudia Narcisco

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Regarding the DMA, it is not difficult to count a dead bear. If can't afford to count or monitor, not good but money talks. But easy to count dead bears as long as that is part of the process. Why not require it?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kristin Combs

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is a question for the council. At the beginning of the presentation, it was identified that hunting is really a social values issue. What is being done to address this with the council? We heard today from biologists, but no social scientists about how values and decisions for the greater good are going to be incorporated into these decisions.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tina zenzola

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Can Loren elaborate on why the
Tribe doesn't support hunting
at this time.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jonathan Evans

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting.
thank you

#99

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Ken noted that the Legislature could potentially overturn a decision if the Commission designated a no-hunting zone through Legislative action. But given the Commission sets quotas, even if the Legislature overturned a designation as such, couldn't the Commission still set a quota of zero for any such area?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sterling Miller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is a re-phrasing of my earlier quesiton to Larry.

Although there is research showing that beers eat neonatal moose and caribou, there are no studies in Alaska showing that reducing bear abundance results in more adult ungulates available to hunters. Why, then is Alaska continuing to attempt to reduce bear abundance in an unsupported effort to increase hunter harvests of ungulates? Isn't this misleading to the public about the significance of bear predation?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sterling Miller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is a re-phrasing of my earlier question to Larry.

Although there is research showing that bears eat neonatal moose and caribou, there are no studies in Alaska showing that reducing bear abundance results in more adult ungulates available to hunters. Why, then is Alaska continuing to attempt to reduce bear abundance in an unsupported effort to increase hunter harvests of ungulates? Isn't this misleading to the public about the significance of bear predation?

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Q1

Name (optional):

D.J. Zor

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This doesn't necessarily need to be answered on this forum, and I hopped on the livestream late, so it may already have been covered. What is the best way for the hunting public to positively engage in supporting delisting/hunting opportunity? I come from the perspective of seeing sustainable/growing wolf populations through delisting and management success through hunting and trapping, and I'd like to see that same success with grizzlies. In short, I'm in favor of responsible state management and want to know how I can help.

#103

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dee Calloway

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Voting. No on killing grizzly bear!

#104

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose the hunting of grizzly bears. Carnivores are essential to a balanced ecosystem and killing them for fun and the gratification of a trophy or bragging rights should not be tolerated by an evolved society.

#105

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Q1

Name (optional):

Peter C Guynn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Council,

I am not sure of the scope in regard to Grizzly Bears is being discussed here but these are my comments.

We are part time residents of the Swan Valley and have maintained a presence there for 34 yrs. With our property we have done much for the Bears and with efforts of many others the Grizzly has recovered considerably.

We do not want hunting any time soon; the Bear can reach out eventually toward other populations and new habitat to support the species as their numbers increase in each area. Best management strategies should be to relocate trouble bears to new areas and identify and protect key locations for bear traffic to protect from human development. The bear should be also always recognized as a key predator to protect our ungulate populations from disease especially from the spread of CWD. Thank you for your support

Peter C Guynn
Caroline C Guynn

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I urge you to oppose any and all grizzly bear hunting, trapping, or lethal control. Grizzly bears, wolves, mountain lions, bobcats, coyotes, and other predators are essential fir health

#107

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Q1

Name (optional):

Juliet L

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please prohibit grizzly bear hunting and trapping! Co-existence, not slaughter...

#108

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sarah McMillan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments. WildEarth Guardians strongly opposes trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana. While the grizzly bear is slowly recovering after near-extirmination, these majestic species remain absent from nearly 98 percent of their historic range.

Grizzlies face continuing threats from climate change, dwindling key food resources, illegal poaching, lack of connectivity among populations, and the negative impacts from roads and railroad tracks fragmenting their habitat. In fact, the past two years saw record rates of grizzly bear mortality in Montana. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana will only lead to a further decline of an already fragile population and would make a connected metapopulation—essential for recovery of the species—a near impossibility.

We have worked so hard for four decades to bring the grizzly bear back from the brink of extinction, so the idea that Montana would authorize trophy hunting is discouraging and distressing. Trophy hunting is unethical and a vestige from a bygone era. It is particularly inappropriate for the iconic grizzly bear that is still imperiled and has a very slow reproduction rate.

There is no evidence that trophy hunting is effective at managing grizzly bear populations. Studies show that trophy hunting does not reduce human-bear or livestock-bear conflict. Research also shows that trophy hunting does not increase social acceptance, but may have the opposite impact.

The Council must take into consideration the perspectives of Tribal Nations, which do not support trophy hunting of grizzly bears and consider the Great Bear sacred.

If grizzly bears are delisted, at the very least, Montana must wait to see how they do without the Endangered Species Act's protections before allowing trophy hunting. It's just too soon to consider hunting. In 2017, Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) recognized that a hunt should not be proposed immediately after delisting.

The #1 animal that tourists, which contribute about \$1 billion annually to the economy of the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, hope to see in Montana is a grizzly bear. Bears are not only revered but they are also very valuable to our nature-based economy.

Montana FWP and the Fish and Wildlife Commission must update the inaccurate and outdated Grizzly Bear Policy, which mistakenly states trophy hunting is an effective tool to prevent human-bear and livestock-bear conflict. Montana FWP should also put its energy and resources into assisting communities and recreationalists to prevent bear-human and bear-livestock conflict.

Again, Guardians strongly opposes trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joshua

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly do NOT support killing Grizzlies for fun, sport and trophy.

Our lands and wildlife need more protections.

#110

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Q1

Name (optional):

Catherine Frizat

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunting at any time now or in the future. Please protect this iconic animal

#111

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

PLEASE PROTECT THE GRIZZLY BEARS!

#112

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

PLEASE DO NOT REINSTATE GRIZZLY BEAR HUNTING.

#113

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Q1

Name (optional):

L.D. Smith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am completely opposed to any form of grizzly bear hunting. We cannot know that it is sustainable with so many variables. The bears have been proven to be far more valuable to us for tourism than hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tanya Kasper

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Population experts say that it will take 5,000 bears in a reconnected Northern Rockies (encompassing the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (NCDE) - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak - Selkirks ecosystems) to sustain a grizzly bear population long term.

Grizzly bears in the NCDE are already struggling with the expanding human population, and opening up a hunting season will be an obstacle to establishing a healthy, connected population.

Grizzly bears have an incredibly slow reproductive rate, and it can take 10 years for a female grizzly bear to replace herself in the wild.

Pregnant bears would likely be shot during a fall hunting season, potentially leading to the removal of 4 or 5 bears rather than just one.

Seeing grizzly bears in the wild is a leading attraction for tourists from all over the world.

Rushing forward with a hunting season before a connected grizzly bear population is established could substantially reduce grizzly bear numbers, squandering all the time and money spent on grizzly bear recovery.

Sport hunting will not change bear behavior as bears are solitary animals and cannot "learn" anything from the demise of other grizzly bears in distant areas.

For long term persistence of grizzly bears management focus should be on establishing a large, metapopulation in a connected NCDE - Yellowstone - Selway Bitterroot - Cabinet-Yaak- Selkirk ecosystem.

"Management" should not necessarily mean "hunting."

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

No grizzly bear hunting. It's just cruel.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Reverend Jane Eagle

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am not now, nor ever will be, in favor of hunting grizzly bears; or any other of OUR iconic wildlife.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paula Simmonds

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I oppose grizzly bear hunts now and in the future.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Bader

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

You are each encouraged to view a 23 minute video about grizzly bear recovery featuring five independent scientists who discuss the issues before you.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vmt5JdcJLZk&feature=emb_share&fbclid=IwAR3HVICNAFgD-T7rftmjOWsYa7AGoCbkoDUH34UqrytDMB2Ppdu-EZRMXMU

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Q1

Name (optional):

DR. ROSA_RE

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Save the Grizzlies

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Q1

Name (optional):

curt

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Do not allow the hunting of Grizzly bears in the state of Montana, there is no reason for this and the numbers are now coming back.

#121

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gina

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The world doesn't need more cowards running around killing wildlife. We need to protect the Grizzly Population among other wildlife. As we are the voices for voiceless. Those that kill innocent animals are Cowards. Those on this Advisory Committee should support looking out for the Grizzly. & not also become a coward & let Money talk...

#122

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Wilde

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Get your priorities straight!

You are not part of the stockgrowers association !

No more slaughtering yellowstone bison!

If a grizzly is surprised or protecting its cub don't take the easy way iut

Protect coyotes and wolves and mountain lions

Protect

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Q1

Name (optional):

Elaine Kimbler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I AM OPPOSED TO ALL TROPHY HUNTING OF GRIZZLY BEARS! NOT ONE, NOT ONE, NOT ONE, NOT ONE, NOT ONE, NOT ONE!

#124

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Q1

Name (optional):

S McCormick

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The bears should not be delisted let alone hunted. They continue to remain a vulnerable species despite their able to thrive. Food sources are at risk, contact with humans, being killed on the road. But you must know all this. Is the hunting just a way to generate more income for the state?

Of course. Think this through. Just because a species seems to be doing well..doesn't mean we go start killing them. There are too many variables. No hunting!

#125

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Wilde

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Get your priorities straight!

You are not part of the stockgrowers association !

No more slaughtering yellowstone bison!

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Protect coyotes and wolves and mountain lions

Protect

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Wilde

Q3

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You are not part of the stockgrowers association !

No more slaughtering yellowstone bison!

If a grizzly is surprised or protecting its cub don't take the easy way out

Protect coyotes and wolves and mountain lions

Protect

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Q1

Name (optional):

Richard Waide

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please protect Grizzly Bear's from unnecessary killing, hunting, etc. for trophies or for anything else.

Montana's grizzly bear population has not fully recovered despite more than 40 years of tax-funded conservation efforts. Due to ongoing threats such as the loss of key food sources, the grizzly bear population is already in jeopardy even without an official hunt in place. Since 2015, nearly 300 grizzly bears from the Yellowstone population alone have been killed by humans; these deaths may harm their population and its ability to recover, and trophy hunting would exacerbate this problem.

Grizzly Bears are God's creatures, just like humans, please protect them with humane practices that protect them from further harm, and to ensure all future generations of humans are able to see and admire Grizzly Bear's families in nature, just like humans enjoy their own families.

Sincerely,

Richard Waide
Billings, MT

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Q1

Name (optional):

Susan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to protect these creatures from the hate, from those that want them eradicated. If you live in grizzly country, you accept the risk. Murdering these magnificent creatures, who are just being who they were created to be, does not justify a slaughter. People look for reasons, excuses to gun one down. Why not look for ways to coexist? Who was in the territory first your livestock or the bears?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ann M Rockwell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Americas Last Grizzlies should not be hunted by wimpy people with guns; they can use their bare hands: small minded people hunt

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Q1

Name (optional):

Traci Cain

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to learn to coexist with grizzly bears. Killing them is not the answer!!!

#131

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Q1

Name (optional):

Julia Gordon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

No hunting these beautiful creatures! Protect them!

#132

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Q1

Name (optional):

keith kubista

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

GGBAC COMMENTS – ROLE OF HUNTING

The GGBAC (council) needs to make recommendations concerning grizzly bear management for the best interests of Montanans, not the citizens of the world who may visit Montana.

One of the key recommendations the council should make is to include a regulated hunting season for grizzly bears.

The extremely conservative hunting season framework FWP presented during the April 9th meeting clearly meets or exceeds any criteria to maintain a viable grizzly bear population in Montana.

The fundamental component FWP would use in setting grizzly bear hunting seasons is an adaptive management structure.

This was recommended as part of the wolf management plan and would be an ideal specific recommendation for the council to proffer in the Final Report Recommendations.

The science-based presentations by Larry Van Daele and Garth Mowat during the April 9th meeting produced hard-to-refute realities and evidence that carefully regulated hunting poses no threat to grizzly bear populations.

In fact, Garth found that hunting "does generate increased reproduction and cub survival".

Hunting lives large across all of Montana, is deeply embedded in our customs and culture and is rooted in our State Constitution - Article IX, Section 7. Preservation of harvest heritage. The opportunity to harvest wild fish and wild game animals is a heritage that shall forever be preserved to the individual citizens of the state and does not create a right to trespass on private property or diminution of other private rights.

Anti-hunting emotional biases and subterfuge intending to persuade the council from including hunting of grizzly bears in their recommendations is not justification to overlook facts, a few examples:

Argument: Tourism will be negatively impacted/decline – Truth is it has flourished after wolf hunting and trapping was allowed despite assertions from the animal rights and anti-hunting interests. And the wolf population has remained strong.

Argument: Grizzly populations will suffer – The science says otherwise per the presentations by Garth Mowat, Larry Van Deale and other wildlife professionals who have extensively studied the effects of hunting grizzly bears.

Argument: Trophy hunting is immoral – Zero biological reasoning or science behind it, a notional label used to malign and divide hunters, and create prejudice to obtain their desired outcome. It does not matter why or how we hunt; theoretical ideals should not triumph over traditions.

In closing I urge the council to include a recommendation allowing a regulated grizzly bear hunting season using an adaptive management structure that has been successful for other wildlife.

Keep in mind regulated hunting has never resulted in the extinction of any species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Candace Noneman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

No!! It makes absolutely no sense to even consider trophy hunting for Grizzlies when their future is still in question despite 40 years of conservation efforts!

#134

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carla Ljunggren

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear is a vital part of the MT ecosystem. It is our responsibility to make sure the population survives and thrives. Their existence is not only important for environmental regions, but al in order to maintain the reputation of the state as a wildlife haven.

#135

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Sennett

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bears should be protected under law.

#136

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carolyn Crouch

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Our Grizzly Bear population is a natural National treasure. Please protect these vulnerable animals.

#137

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeremy Maus

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please put in place a grizzly plan that reduces the numbers and makes it safe for my family to enjoy the outdoors.

#138

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

You have no right to limit our abilities to hunt legally. How dare you follow the out of state anti's!!!

#139

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Q1

Name (optional):

Shane Clouse

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a committed conservationist and donate a significant amount of time to Montana's wildlife. I am also a farmer and businessman. Having said that, I believe that Montana, its people, and FWP know best how to manage the wildlife in Montana. I believe a delisting of the Grizzly bear in Montana will be successful. Montana and its wildlife advocates have proven that conservative hunting of such wildlife under the model of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation is very successful. The delisting of the grey wolf did not hinder the success of that once threatened species and I believe that the Grizzly bear will prosper if delisted in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gerry Stearns

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

These iconic animals are the face of Montana. Please protect them.

#141

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rob Arnaud

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are sufficiently recovered. In order for endangered species act to maintain credibility states must handle the management. AND hunting is a critical component of management! Once folks are able to hunt then tolerance for them increases among sportsmen and women. Give us a grizzly bear season! Please!

#142

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Q1

Name (optional):

Laura

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I want to protect the Grizzly bears and all bears from trophy hunting and all hunting.

#143

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is a non comment issue. NGO's are profiting so much on exploitation of the Bear that it will never be de listed. The hunting issue is mute. The NGOs should form a picket line and Keep the bears on public lands so the NGOs can manage the bears without going to court and steeling tax payer money

#144

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Ellis

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is way past time to start managing grizzly bears, they are more than recovered. Grizzly Bear and human contact are becoming a every day occurrence. The Grizzly Bear has no fear of humans and hunting them is the only right way to manage them.

#145

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Q1

Name (optional):

J.L. Rader

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To the Council,

I am not a bear hunter, and I don't anticipate ever hunting Grizzly Bears, however as a wildlife biology graduate (UM, 1982) and retired National Park Ranger, you must look at the science (this does not include Sociology, Sociology is not a pure science in that its results are not duplicatable) that should guide wildlife management. Having said that, don't be persuaded by the vocal and highly emotional anti-hunting folks. Hunting is a viable, highly controllable, tool in the toolbox of our wildlife professionals. Let the Biologists do their job.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Fielder

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a retired wildlife biologist, I advise this GB Advisory Council to include regulated public hunting as a wildlife management tool for managing grizzly bears after they are de-listed from the Endangered Species Act. If we go back to the original intent and definitions of the ESA in 1973 (you can look it up), the grizzly bear should not be listed. The definitions relate to "in danger of extinction within their range".

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Q1

Name (optional):

jim doran

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Need to manage all wildlife in Montana!!!!

#148

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Q1

Name (optional):

B Erickson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bear encounters have been increasing, not only in the wild, but now on farms, ranches and even on the outskirts of Montana's small towns. Also increasing, are the demands that farmers, ranchers and residents of these small towns learn to live with grizzlies, accept livestock losses as part of the "new norm" and for families to just simply stay indoors more.

Unfortunately, the anti-hunting and environmental orgs want to place all the burden to avoid conflict on Montana's recreationists and ag producers. The grizzly population has substantially increased over the last 3-decades. Additionally, and more unfortunate, has been the long string of lawsuits each time the grizzly is considered for delisting.

Serious consideration of federal delisting and a return to state management is beyond due. Montanans should address this issue and a grizzly hunting season should be at the forefront. The anti-hunting/environmental groups use emotion to lead the charge against hunting with a chorus of "extinction, unsustainable populations and the bears belong on the landscape first".

History and facts side with managed hunting when it comes to sustaining a population of species. The facts often overlooked in managed hunting include revenue generation for the agency (MT FW&P) for continued studies of bears, their habitat and their population. Legal and ethical hunting has historically and factually diminished poaching of not only the topic specie, but other species as well. Legal, ethical hunters, in possession of licenses, tend to frown on poaching and become additional eyes and ears in the field.

Further to hunting, a managed grizzly season does not mean unlimited hunting tags and a return to a near extinction. Based on research by the agencies biologists, reasonable hunting quotas are usually established that ensure a future, huntable population without endangering the population into unsustainable numbers.

There is no sound reason agency biologists, hunters and ag producers shouldn't move towards a managed grizzly hunting season. The money poured into the anti-hunting lawsuit campaigns could certainly be put to better use elsewhere.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I recommend no hunting of Montana's grizzly bears. It's shocking and appalling. Please protect these magnificent animals. Many thanks. Mark

#150

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Q1

Name (optional):

Janet Atchison

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think our grizzly bears are amazing. We should just let nature take care of them. Trophy hunting is not acceptable.

#151

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Q1

Name (optional):

Janet Atchison

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think our grizzly bears are amazing. We should just let nature take care of them. Trophy hunting is not acceptable.

#152

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Q1

Name (optional):

Erik ogren

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow at least a small portion of tags to be given in areas with problem bears and or to many attacks. It won't take to many to get them to lean to keep their distance from humans and I would like the opportunity for us as Montanans to hunt one if I'm so lucky. Thanks!

#153

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brad Tschida

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Because of the greater interaction between bears & humans, we need to condition grizzly bears, like black bears, to stay away from humans.

Part of the conditioning should be through hunting them to an extent that creates an understanding or fear/respect for humans in the outdoors.

Just as we condition them to get into our garbage by leaving it available, we can condition them to avoid humans or the sound of gunshots by hunting them as a management tool.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The best way possible to properly manage the exploding population of Grizzly Bears is to allow them to be legally hunted and managed by MT FWPS

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sandra Secrest

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I do not support the hunting of Grizzly bears and I especially don't support trophy hunting of Grizzly bears (or any other animal for that matter). Trophy hunting is a waste

The only purpose of trophy hunting is ego. It boils down to a person who wants to kill a large, powerful animal in order to feel "powerful" themselves. It is sad. Besides, travel and tourists who want to see bears bring more dollars to the state of Montana than any trophy hunter does. Protect the bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Wes Mitchell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support Grizzly bear hunting seasons based on sound science for wildlife management

#157

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Q1

Name (optional):

Angela Maxwell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Yes, yes, yes! I feel the regulated hunting of grizzly bears should be implemented in Montana, 100%. Thank you for reading.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lila M Bishop

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Because loss of key food sources and killing by humans due to personal contact, grizzly bear population is not secure. Do not hunt Grizzly bears in Montana.

#159

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steve Roth

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am in favor of a grizzly bear hunt as long as it is well managed .

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I sincerely believe we need to have a grizzly bear hunt to manage the number of bears in Mont. I am an avid outdoors in this state and it's getting to be unsafe to share the land with grizzly bear as there is no threat to the bears anymore and they will attack or evade for no reason. I, in fact, had to almost shoot a grizzly 4 years ago that charged me while hunting elk in the Bob Marshall. He got within about 25 yards at a full run before he finally veered off and I was very close to pulling the trigger on him. The numbers have increased to a point where they need to be managed. Thanks for your time. M.M.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nick Dole

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Before the Grizzly was protected, they knew that humans could and would harm them, if they got to close. Then when they were protected they found that the noise of the guns meant that something was wounded or dead and they could find a free meal. As the population grew it expanded and the confrontation with humans became prevalent, the more attacks happened. There are many many people that like to recreate outdoors in the mountains. This getting to become dangerous and instead of enjoying hiking hunting and fishing, people are afraid to go enjoy these things. With hunting reinstated, the population can and will be managed and the bears will start to respect humans again so that the confrontations can abd will be minimized. We will still have to be watchful that we don't forget that Grizzlies are still out there and take precautions, but it can be safer and more enjoyable knowing that they will show us some respect as well. Thank You For Your Time.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Daniel Mathis

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support regulated public hunting be used as a wildlife management tool to manage grizzly bears when they are eventually de-listed from the Endangered Species List. All wildlife needs to be manged to ballance not only other colocated species but to balance with ranchers and private land owners.

#163

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow hunting of the Grizzly as there are to many attacks on people and property by these bears. You can't hike in Glacier anymore because most of the trails are closed due to Grizzly bears. I live in Noxon you keep dumping bears in the Cabinets we have to deal with them NOT YOU.

#164

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rick Nease

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Regulated hunting of Grizzly bears should be persued. Regulated public hunting is a valuable tool to be used as a wildlife management tool to manage grizzly bears when they are eventually de-listed. The option of tag lotteries for out of state hunters would provide additional income to support further wildlife management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dave Heine

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

all members of the committee and of FWP should stand for hunting, fishing and trapping especially during this covid disaster. do not let the uneducated emotional based anti-hunting and trapping groups sway us as we utilize the wonderful resources we are blessed with. as for Grizzle bears it is only fair to rural montana and to the bear to manage them through hunting.

#166

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Q1

Name (optional):

Roger DiMeo

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears should be able to be hunted. They are a renewable and revenue generating resource that can be managed for the conservation of the species. This will also open job opportunities and income for the communities from the hunters. It is the most intelligent and efficient way to manage grizzly bear populations.

#167

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Q1

Name (optional):

Keven

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow the harvest of bears.

#168

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jana

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I do not support the trophy hunting of frizzly bears in montana in my mind they have not recovered from there endangered status

#169

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I don't know why everyone is hating on the council. They have a huge important job to do. They need our support!
Also, I say YES to hunting!

#170

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jake Sol

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies just like all predators need to be managed, and with the record high numbers we have, the bears need to be reduced to a healthier number so there is less bear attacks
Hunting these bears would be a great way to reduce numbers and also Generate some revenue for the state of Montana in licenses and tags for them

#171

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to do our part to protect the Grizzlies before there are no more, as humans continue to invade their areas. The bears are only trying to protect their families.

#172

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

After the Delisting of the Grizzly Bear I feel it should be allowed that hunters should be able to hunt them.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kip

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly believe the Grizzly Bear has fully recovered and the State of Montana should take the lead. The harvesting of the grizzlies should be allowed and the voices of the radical anti hunters need to be ignored. Just like the wolf hunting and trapping seasons- there is no pleasing these extremists. Man up FWP- step up and lead. Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Earl Mainwaring

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I respectfully request the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to plan and instigate a licensed hunting season for grizzly bears in Montana. This would help reduce grizzlies roaming through Montana cities and town in search of food as well as mitigate livestock and possibly pet losses in the state. Grizzly bear numbers are much higher than the original number of bears set when first put on the endangered species list. Thank you for your consideration and time.

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Name (optional):

Lloyd K. Koehler PhD

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As both a hunter and Montana landowner, I am strongly opposed to allowing Grizzly Bears to be hunted. It has taken years to even begin to bring them back from near extinction. Their numbers are nowhere near what reputable scientists estimate will be a sustainable population. Do not acquiese to special interest tropy hunters. Nature has its own way of contolling animal populations. Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tommy McCullougj

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the controlled hunting of grizzly bears in Montana. The grizzly bear population is becoming to large and must be controlled. Controlled hunts are the best way to do that.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chris Cenis

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm sure you are getting flooded with emotional comments from all over but this Montanan is in favor of delisting Grizzlies and having a season on them. Everyone has their "science" they like, I hope you can see through the cherry picked and bought and paid for "scientific results"

#178

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nathan Albertson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a Sportsman, avid Outdoorist, and resident of NW MT, I highly urge the GPAC to fully support a regulated season on grizzly post delistment.

While biologist do what they can to be informed on bear numbers and prevent human/ grizzly conflicts there are limitations on their ability.

The grizzly bear is well recovered in North America and a regulated hunting season only serves as a net positive to the bears presence on the landscape. Especially when the number of bears has surpassed the desired quota on the landscape.

The North American model of conservation works hand in hand with Sportsmen for sustainability and net positive for all species and human interaction.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We are over run with Grizzlies. It is not healthy for the bears or humans to have this overpopulation. Begin the hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

scott walker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support regulated grizzly hunting. The bears take fawns, calves and occasional livestock. We need to keep them in check just like the wolf. Since the hunting/trapping of wolves I've noticed some improvement in elk/deer populations and it appears to me a comfortable balance is nearing....

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kris Killorn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Kris Killorn, President
Outdoor Heritage Coalition

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Q1

Name (optional):

John G

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The voice of Montana's people should count on matters concerning Montana, more than the cacophony of gibbering fools, that know nothing of our situation, and the bear attacks.

We Montana citizens hold certain rights, and as such, we hold it to be a right to defend our lives, and aid in the culling of herds, predators and omnivore, to ensure the biosphere of our lands is in equilibrium.

No one is suggesting we eradicate the grizzly bear population, but the attacks, suggest something more than nothing. Should be done. I stand in favor of a limited grizzly bear hunt, being respectful of land owners and of the populations of animals as we always strive to do.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mac Minard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support a managed grizzly bear hunting season in Montana. It is long overdue and the bears are recovered sufficient that it would be sustainable.

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Q1

Name (optional):

David W.

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am in complete support of a plan in Montana to allow very limited hunting permits for grizzly bears as one of the tools used to manage grizzly bears once they are delisted.

The grizzly bear has been brought back from horribly low numbers by sportsmen such as myself and others who assist financially and in other ways over the years to fund the studies and work needed to get these populations brought back to where it is not necessary for their continued listing as an endangered species. Grizzly bear populations as with other game animals need a balance in their numbers and these populations need to be managed using a scientific method and not an emotional one. No-one wants to make sure the grizzly bears thrive and continue to grow in numbers more than folks like me.

The majority of the people who oppose hunting of the bears base their opinions solely on emotion and not facts. Most of those folks do not contribute a dime or anything positive to help preserve habitat and wildlife. Don't allow them to decide how these wonderful animals are managed.

Please make certain that hunting is stated as absolutely being one of the management tools for today and for the future.

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Q1

Name (optional):

vinnie pisani

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

the grizzly population is out of control in swan Blackfoot area.you don't need me yo bring this to your attention ask your grizzly bear biologist.two years ago they were approx 64 known grizzlies from north fork of the Blackfoot.rt 141 and nevada creek.a hay landowner aunt mollies area had 6 bears in his hay feeding.there is a migration for choke cherries from 282 game range and 285 monture creek to north fork of the Blackfoot basin as per liz your wolf biologist 24 that year.i believe the last quota season closed around 1983 with 25 bears being destroyed, or killed by accident going against the quota.the grizzly bears kill the fawn crop every year in monture creek area ,ask the ranchers at two creeks ranch.they have ruined the hunting since about the mid 1990's deer and elk.nothing has been done its the same old input every year nothing done.if there berry crop is not sufficint bears hunt deer and calf elf starting 1st week of oct to put on enough weight to go into hibernation.they have no fear of humans because of no hunting pressure.they learn to come to the dinner bell when they hear a shot.they will come to a call or distress call.you may think you have a handle on grizzly bear, wolves,deer and elk populations because man thinks they are smarter better educated in my opinion from a guy who has spent countless hours in the woods since the 1980's management has left less game and more problems than the greater good of the ecosystem.look at your harvest records.now your even harvesting timber in the Blackfoot clearwater game range 282 for profit instead of protecting the winter habitat for all the animals that winter there and once made Montana a special place.but certainly not the place it once was.its all about money, selling licenses, extra tags and not even protecting winter habitat.need I say more .I don't know who has managed our system since the mid 1990's,my only hope is that someone would get involved who has a love for our land ,and to act in the best interest of our wildlife that once made Montana that special place.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeff Conrad

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think a reasonable season for grizzly hunting, based on scientific numbers and with species conservation in mind, is essential. At the same time, bears that have been removed for depredation ought to count towards the quota, as to not over-harvest the species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan Thingelstad

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

i am all for controlled grizzle bear harvest. I believe it should be by montana hunters and ministered by fish wildlife and parks. Money should stay in montana. The bears are a montana problem not California or Europe.Out of state interest should not apply.

#188

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Pierson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I suggest that hunting and trapping be options for grizzly control after the species is delisted. We need to have tools available to manage the species when it is required.

MTFWP has good wildlife managers that can be sure that these tools are used appropriately.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Grant Winn II

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Advisory Council,

I would encourage you to base your decision on reopening Grizzly Bear hunting on science and not pressure by anti-hunting groups. Grizzly bear populations are way above the recovery goal and bear/human conflicts are on the rise. Hunting is the best way to properly manage populations and could be a significant financial contributor to Grizzly Bear conservation. Look at what hunting groups and hunters contribute to wildlife conservation in Montana and compare that to what the anti - hunting groups provide and it should be an easy choice. Open responsible Grizzly Bear seasons in Montana. Thank you, Grant Winn II.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a lifetime resident in the State of Montana, a parent who has raised their children to provide for themselves via hunting, a ranching family, a Landowner, a business owner, and a hunter; I implore you to listen to my support of continued hunting in our beloved State! Please do not fall prey to outside interests that wish to manipulate you in your decision making processes.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kelsey Huber

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a Montana native I value our wildlife and feel strongly that Grizzly Bears need our continued support. Montana should protect our states grizzly bear population by prohibiting trophy hunting. Grizzly Bears face increasing pressure due to loss of habitat and diminishing food sources, a challenge that will only worsen as our state population increases. Please advise for the protection of our Grizzly Bears, they are a state and national treasure.

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Save the bears We almost lost them once just like the wolves

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tammy Fenske

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Save the Grizzlies! We have to stop destroying.. otherwise there will be nothing left!

#194

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gary Willems

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear numbers have escalated to numbers well above the predetermined recovery goals set decades ago. As a [very] dedicated big game hunter, I now see more fresh grizzly bear sign every season. I have seen bear sign nearly every other day during elk season. The grizzly bear is now occupying areas on a regular basis that they hadn't previously explored. The grizzly bear needs to be hunted and harvested, as appropriate, in order to keep the numbers at a sustainable level and also make the bears more respectful of people hiking in the mountains. I have personally had two encounters with grizzlies that left me in awe of the bear but...also left me wondering why the bears have now moved into areas so near Helena and residential areas. There's a reason why grizzly bears and wolves were nearly exterminated in the 1900's. They have no real fear of humans and can't be kept in the remote wilderness areas that they should be restricted too. Please allow a hunting season for grizzly bears and help develop rules/guidelines that protect and promote both humans and grizzlies. Thank you!

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

De-list. I work for the railroad and we often see grizzly bears. They're moving father and farther east and closer to places that they haven't been in decades and don't belong. Over population is not healthy for any species.

#196

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Butler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider allowing a Grizzly bear hunt in Montana. This would benefit all entities involved.

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Aren't there enough idiots who hike into known bear country that end up getting the grizzly killed? Trophy hunting should be illegal. We are losing too many of our wild animals to senseless killings. We need to protect these endangered species!

#198

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brandi Jones

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

please consider allowing hunting of the grizzly bear after it is de-listed to control the population.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Kulaski

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hello,

I am a cattle rancher in southwestern Montana. I was glad to see that the state was proactive on the issue with grizzly bears a few years ago. I have had a few encounters with grizzlies where I live. I am in Granite County just over the mountains from the Bitterroot Valley. In the last few years I have encountered grizzlies. I was even bluff charged by a young sow with cubs 3 years ago within a mile from the ranch. I would think that all the activist groups mad about all the grizzlies being killed by the trains, vehicles, or by state trappers for livestock kills would take notice on this issue as it is. The bears are recovering at a very good pace. There should be a regulated hunting season on these bears just like any other predator. This would cut down on the numbers of deaths by accident. We need to train these bears to fear humans. Just like we had to with wolves. And lets not kid ourselves, do we need to go through the same steps as we did the wolves? That was a wreck. There are more wolves in our area than there has been before there was a hunting season on them. The bears are coming, and as long as there is a season on them they can be regulated at a sustainable population before it turns into another wolf war. If there is no control on the population of these bears they will become over populated and start living closer to the bigger towns just like the mountain lions, black bears, etc. Than the people that were against this will start to feel threatened by going for a hike with their family on the outskirts of the home. Also if there is a hunting season on grizzlies it will save tax payers a great deal of money on having the state come and kill these problem bears which eventually will happen around the towns not to mention all the ones being killed for killing livestock.

Thank you

Paul Kulaski

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Q1

Name (optional):

PAUL DUPREE

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a long time Montana resident and sportsman, I urge the FWP to consider opening Grizzly Bear hunting when the bears are de-listed. The bears belong to the people of Montana and should be treated as the valuable asset to the state that they are. Control of the population should be accomplished through responsible hunting, just like other native game species.

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open griz for hunting

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jerry McGuire

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to delist the Grizzlies, turn over management to the state, and have hunting season, now not later.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rebecca Sanne

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to figure out how to live a balanced life with the grizzly rather than hunt them for our convenience.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Wagner Harmon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To whom it may concern,

As most of us stay at home due to quarantine, you may find that a committee such as yours is filled with emails from anti hunting folks. I am not one of the Quarantine folks as I am one of the essential workers as I farm and ranch. My comment to you is to please allow the hunting of grizzly bear in Montana. On our ranch, we experience that if you hunt animals, they become more afraid of you and run away which is what they should do. Hunting protects our livestock and our families and with a species such as the grizzly, we see no fear like we do hunted animals. I love seeing wildlife on our ranch and we manage for them in many ways to keep them here. There needs to be a management with this majestic animal and hunting is only part of the tool box.

Life has changed for all of us in the world with Covid-19. We all need to step back and recognize what is essential in life and that includes our family, our faith and recognizing what happens to some folks when we experience a world crisis.

Those who become essential need to be protected just as they have been asked to help protect the world.

Thanks for your time.

Wagner Harmon

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Donovan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Responsible Grizzly Bear management includes a harvest/hunting element; not just environmental conservation and species protection. As everyone knows, there is no greater champion for Montana's wildlife than the ethical sportsman. Holding a quota appropriate hunting season is the only sustainable approach to successful Grizzly Bear management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ross Morgan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting must be included in the plan for delisting grizzly bears in Montana. Hunting is a way to manage numbers all while helping fund conservation without the burden falling on taxpayers. Please consider a hunting strategy when looking at the overall state management of grizzly.

Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gerald Cuvillier

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Gentlemen

Although I do not care to hunt a grizzly bear, I would not obstruct those that would like to do so. The population is now stable enough to allow such activities and the bears are becoming too tolerant of people. There is no reason why a lottery system could not be in place .

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bruce Hunn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Managing ANY wildlife species should require controlled hunting of that species. There is no better way to control animal populations than hunting and no better way than involving the public in that hunting process.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lorilee

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open a hunting season on these bears. There is absolutely no reason logically why we can't conduct an annual hunt on these bears. The population of the bears is becoming an issue and their numbers need to be curtailed. It could be a draw and the revenue received from this will further help preserve our hunting in our great state. Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Buell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Sirs; I would ask that you follow sound science and allow a regulated grizzly bear hunting season(s). The worst thing you can do for wildlife is "Not Manage It". Thank you for listening.

Jim Buell

President - Montana Trappers Association

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Name (optional):

Robert Minard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support managed sport hunting of grizzly bears in Montana

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hello, I am part of the more than 90% of Montana's that DO NOT HUNT, I believe your organization in general, and in regards to this issue more specifically, need to develop more wildlife management strategies that do not use hunting as that strategy. I am completely opposed to any hunting of any grizzly bears in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Teasha Hutcheson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a tax paying citizen and registered voter in Montana I am vehemently OPPOSED to Grizzly bear hunting in ANY form ANYWHERE within the state of Montana. I will vote accordingly as will my Montana friends and family.

Regards,

Teasha G Hutcheson

#214

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ron Andriolo

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is far PAST time when we should be hunting Grizzlies. This clearly deters Bears from being near people and it makes them aware people are a threat and they should stay away. The Grizzly population has far exceeded recovery goals. Any hunting will be managed and tracked to avoid overkill. The bears are causing problems that will only get worse as their population continues to grow. Wolves and lion populations have also worked to reduce Grizzly food sources and with uncontrolled Grizzly population you keep asking for troubles. Grizzlies are so numerous now it is scary to be out bow hunting. Those that say hunting doesn't deter Grizzlies clearly have no understanding of reality -- all animals figure out very quickly that they need to stay away from people when hunting is in process

Please begin Grizzly hunting now!!!

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Name (optional):

T. J. Johnson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear council: hunting is one of the best conservation methods to not only benefit the control of the bears but it's a source of revenue for the state who would have to spend money it doesn't have to manage the bears. We too as hunters do not want to eliminate them but to enjoy them and manage them through hunting.

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Name (optional):

Randy Triplett

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Raised in Mt and then moved for 30 years to Ak. I have been home in Florence Mt for the last 10years. Guided hunters in Ak for 27 years. It seems that where ever I go in Mt hunting now I run into Grizzlies. I see a lot more Grizzlies in Alaska but they are educated to stay away from humans. In Mt they have no fear of us and its a lot spookier here than Ak when you are confronted by one. I am for a hunting season on Grizzlies here in Mt.

Randy Triplett

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am 100% behind the grizzly bear hunt. We have proven through conservation a sportsman that this is the correct and most ethical tactic for managing and maintaining populations.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bozeman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In the name of safety, please re-start a limited Grizzly Bear hunt in Montana.(I have some Montana Bear regulations from 1966).
Too many dangerous encounters lately.
They have lost their fear of man.
There are plenty of Grizzly bears in Montana now...

#219

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rebecca de Camara

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am writing to oppose the proposed trophy hunting of grizzly bears. The MT grizzly bear population is still in the process of recovering. Since 2015, nearly 300 grizzly bears from the Yellowstone population alone have been killed by humans. Please do not allow trophy hunting to further stress Montana's grizzly bear population.

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Lunetta

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana residents need their own control of Grizzly Bear management. The Bear population is currently spiraling out of control. It is time, to educate these activist's, and deal with these Bear issue's. Incorporating a highly regulated managemnt program for the longevity of "Our Montana Grizzly Bears". Idealistic Activist Thinking, will convuluse, delay, retard, a healthy Bear management program for real Montanans, and our Bears. Please, deal with the reality of the issue!

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Name (optional):

Yve Bardwell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe Grizzly Bears have met the population and genetic diversity requirements set out by the ESA. Though I personally have no desire to hunt Grizzlies or guide those hunts as part of my business model I do believe management in the form of hunting is a valuable option. I believe having hunting opportunities would be an effective management tool that would help reduce Grizzly Bear/Human conflict and would also help create revenue for the State that would greatly benefit conservation across the board.

The Grizzly Bear recovery is a success story. We need to be able to take the next state and I believe in FWP's ability as an Agency to manage this next step. Good luck!

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Name (optional):

Tom Fieber

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Director & Commissioners. It breaks my heart to see that the Montana FWP Commission has again taken the wishes of non-in state citizens over that of us. We have lived here and worked hard to conserve and protect our habitat and the wildlife that makes our state what it is. Just like wolf reintroduction that was against local wishes and has caused so much division, I am afraid that the grizzly bear issues will follow the same path. Please use science not emotions in making your decisions.

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Q1

Name (optional):

peter rogers

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There should be a permit (special) hunt for the bears that wander out of remote areas into areas where there will be conflict with civilization at the very least. On top of this special hunt there should be a season in the fall probably permit also.

#224

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Name (optional):

Representative Denley M. Loge

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The fact that Montana's economy has been based on agricultural production, we are seeing a negative on that economy by the negative impact of the increased Grizzly bear activities. The numbers of bears has increased, the range of movement has increased and the human, livestock and bear interactions has drastically increased. We should not manage animals strictly by economics but by rather by science. By saying this, we should also not ignore the negative impacts as well as the safety factor. Ranchers are losing cattle and having to actually give up range due to grizzly bear kills. Science says it is time to manage these animals before we lose those ranches. We also see a negative impact on timber management because of potential negative grizzly movements due to trails and roads. It is time to look at actual bear numbers, facts on negative impacts to livestock production and timber management and the safety of families living in these impacted areas and start allowing hunting and proper scientific bear management rather than emotional management by those without a stake in the claim.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I was once told by a Montana conservation legion, Bud Moore. that once an animal becomes listed as endangered it goes from a managed species to a political football. How wise a statement! We are seeing the Grizzly over populating its habitat, Human bear encounters and bears seen in Non-typical use areas, especially by sub-adults which denotes historic range at or above carrying capacity. Grizzly bears are not a species that co-exist well with populated areas and with continued population increase human confrontations, mauling's & deaths will only increase as will livestock depredation. A managed Grizzly population will see the fear of man rein stilled and if managed correctly, backcountry & wilderness areas capable of supporting & maintaining a Viable & healthy Grizzly population without over crowding. For once, lets manage a species correctly, for both man's and the animals overall benefit, and leave out politics & emotion. I thank you for the opportunity to respond.

Sincerely
Len Howells

#226

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carla

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a resident of montana, a mother, wife, and landowner. I support hunting. I also support legal hunting of grizzly bears instead of them being needlessly euthanized.

#227

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Name (optional):

Gary Stubblefield

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In MT we have for the past few decades artificially moved grizzlies into areas they normally don't live; the Bitterroots for example. There is no fence that kept them out of these regions. No hunting them under the Endangered Species act has allowed their numbers to proliferate. The negative interactions between these bear and humans/livestock have become more common. Now that they have been "forced" into areas where they are causing trouble, the best way to manage these rapidly increasing numbers is hunting. It's sad that the pseudo conservationists don't stick to their agreements; same as they did with wolves which have actually decimated the great hunting reputation MT once held. The same is happening with Grizzlies. There isn't a year goes by anymore that one or more grizzly attacks on humans in MT occurs. Hunting is essential to make these predators fear humans. The annual increasing numbers demand hunting activities for this species to bring them back under management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Barnes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Northern Region Grizzly Bear population is overwhelming and the species needs to be controlled. Allowing grizzlies to be delisted is the first step in controlling them. Bear's need to know who is at the top of the food chain currently they have no fear of man. Some need to die.

#229

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Q1

Name (optional):

Josh Carlbom

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support a limited, biological based grizzly bear harvest.
Thanks

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Name (optional):

Bill Kempf

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is my belief this council will advise MT Fish, Wildlife and Parks based on relevant, scientific data. Irrational opinions held by a small, vocal and well organized anti-hunting community should be scrutinized for what they are; an emotional, tear jerk response not founded on biology.

Predators should be hunted and managed like the rest of Montana's incredible big game animals. When Grizzlies are grandstanded for a political agenda there becomes a huge disconnect in Montana's overall game management.

Do not allow this to happen.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

At this point in time I do not support the hunting of grizzly bears. I am a hunter by the way.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carol Young

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Delisting the grizzlies and subsequent hunting ensures the grizzlies stay healthy and the rural economies survive.
We rely on recreational opportunities to support our schools and services.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rick Hawk

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have a two part comment:

1. I believe that a Grizzly Bear hunt is highly desirable.
2. I not believe the comments of those individuals who do not live in Montana should have any weight in this issue.

Thank you.

Rick

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

While Grizzly bears are a part of nature and as a hunter we are in nature's world, but I see many sides of it, the Grizzly bear populations need to be regulated, and some fear of man brought back into their world. When ranchers are giving up cattle forest leases that they have had for decades because of 1, fear of being attacked or having helpers attacked when checking and gathering cattle And maintaining fences and 2, ranchers spend a lot of time keeping there cattle alive, and when you are loosing 30-50 head of calves every year to grizzly bears and not being compensated for it something has to change. Even if calves brought 600\$ a head this year 50 times 600\$ you do the math. I know in some places they don't let there children walk the 50-100yards to the bus from the house for fear of a grizzly encounter. Sportsman and women I've talked to don't want to see them wiped out but population control. These bears are majestic and amazing but are creeping into areas that many people have never seen a grizzly ever in the decades they've been there. These are large powerful and very triggered predators that can be set off easily. Like all things in nature they adapt to new surroundings when the FWP has to basically put out a huge warning to not go into the Ruby mountains last year because of grizzly activity things are way out of hand and action needs to be taken.

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Name (optional):

Scott Willumsen

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We have plenty of grizzlies now. It's time for a hunting season. Les move forward with science instead of feeling.

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Name (optional):

Mike Rasmussen

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana citizens need and want hunting. A lot of us depend upon it to help make our paychecks stretch.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Don P

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support State management of Grizzly Bear's and hunting as a management tool.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brian Solan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would encourage the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to embrace regulated & managed grizzly bear hunting as a tool to not only control bear populations, but to engage the hunting community in the process of recovery and management. Hunters pay for a substantial amount of wildlife management and the grizzly bear is no different than any other recovered species including wolves, bighorn sheep, etc. A small, managed hunting season is appropriate and overdue as a tool for grizzly bear management.

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm in favor of hunting Grizzlies where there is a high concentration and livestock are threatened.

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Mattson - 4

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

14 April 2020

SPORT HUNTING GRIZZLIES TO BUILD SOCIAL ACCEPTANCE: DOES IT WORK?

David Mattson, PhD

Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks (FWP) has claimed that instituting a sport/trophy hunt on grizzly bears will build social acceptance among people in Montana—in other words, that people in this state will become more accepting of having some unspecified number of grizzlies within some unspecified area. This contention by FWP is in keeping with similar claims made by other state wildlife management agencies as justification for hunting large carnivores in states such as Florida, Maine, Minnesota, and elsewhere (Mattson 2019).

The task of critically examining the merits of such claims is quite difficult simply because there is a lot of ambiguity regarding the overarching goal being served, the particular populations of “people” being referenced, the up-front likelihood of any connection between trophy hunting and the people of interest, and the scientific evidence for such a connection.

There are also ethical issues. Given a mandate to serve the public trust, should the special interests of one particular group or subpopulation be favored over those of another? Should the preferences or opinions of a large percentage of the public be disregarded? Similarly, is it appropriate to effectively deprive certain segments of the national and state public of standing in policy deliberations, especially regarding an iconic species of national interest such as the grizzly bear? At what point do the diffuse interests of the many preempt the more intensely-held interests of the few, similar to considerations behind the invocation of Eminent Domain?

What follows is my attempt to address these issues, starting with elucidation of the tacit goal being served and a necessary parsing of “people” and “public” into more meaningful subgroupings. But first:

1. AN ASIDE ABOUT MYSELF

It is probably appropriate for me to provide some background on myself, highlighting areas of expertise that are relevant to what follows. I consider myself to be as much a social and policy scientist as I am a wildlife researcher. I have done research, lectured, and taught courses on topics pertaining to wildlife management and policy for the last 30 years. In addition to many policy-focused lectures and presentations at conferences, workshops, and various universities, my teaching has been under auspices of long-standing appointments with the Yale School of the Environment (14 years) and Northern Arizona University (16 years). I was also a Visiting Scholar at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Western Field Director of the MIT-USGS Science Impact Collaborative, both of which had a policy focus. Without being exhaustive, my research and scholarship have encompassed attitudes and perspectives, policy dynamics at multiple scales, and concepts of relevance to understanding and configuring policy. You can find a list of selected publications at the end of these comments under Section 14.

Continuing where I left off above:

2. WHAT HIGHER-ORDER GOALS?

Building social acceptance or tolerance for grizzly bears, by whatever means, is presumably in service of some higher order goal. It is not an end in itself. Without being exhaustive, the tacit goal of fostering acceptance seems to be at least two-fold. (1) For one, it is presumably political: to increase support for grizzly bear conservation through participation of the public in political processes. (2) For another, it is presumably about behaviors and behavioral intentions: to increase tolerance among those sharing space with grizzlies and, through that, decrease the likelihood of illegal or malicious killing of bears (i.e., poaching). Again, this list is not exhaustive, but seemingly the most plausible and justifiable.

Assuming these goals are valid, the task here then becomes one of examining the logic and ethical merits of as well as evidence for a connection between instituting a grizzly bear trophy hunt and (1) building political support for (presumably) more grizzly bears in more places; and (2) decreasing the likelihood of poaching.

3. WHAT GOAL FOR BEAR DISTRIBUTIONS AND NUMBERS?

Having invoked these goals and related tasks, though, the question still arises: is building social acceptance in service of (i) allowing more bears to live in more places; (ii) sustaining the current number of bears living within the current distribution; or (iii) tolerating fewer bears within a reduced distribution? Presumably the desired outcome is either (i) or (ii), although (iii) is plausible given statements that have been made suggesting that FWP's goal is to cap numbers of grizzlies within the Demographic Monitoring Area (DMA) and push the distribution of grizzlies east of the Rocky Mountain Front back to historical limits nearer the mountains. Needless to say, the numeric and distributional goal being served is relevant to addressing the question of whether social acceptance needs to be increased and, if so, amongst which population(s) of people. If (iii) is indeed the goal for bear numbers and distributions, then the logical question is: Why work to increase social acceptance and tolerance?

4. SOCIAL ACCEPTANCE BY WHOM?

Leaving aside evidence for the time being, and focusing on use of trophy hunting as a presumed means of building social acceptance, an immediate issue arises from the fact that trophy hunting is viewed and valued in widely varied ways by different people. In broad terms, the perspectives of hunters will differ from those of non-hunters and certainly from members of the public who consider sport hunting to be unacceptable or trophy hunting morally repugnant. There will also be differences in perspective between a hunter who has not paid any personal price for living with a grizzly, and hopes to have the pleasure of killing one, versus an agricultural producer who has lost livestock to grizzly bear depredation, but is not likely to sport hunt a bear.

So, even on the face of it, offering trophy hunting opportunities to a necessarily limited number of people would be a tool for recruiting acceptance among only specific—if not limited—sectors of the public. At a minimum, it is important to different (i) self-identified hunters from (ii) rural residences sharing space with grizzlies, from (iii) urban dwellers, from (iv) those that do not support sport hunting, and certainly from (v) those that consider trophy hunting to be morally unacceptable.

Without pursuing the matter any further, it is self-evidently the case that instituting a trophy hunt for grizzlies will not increase acceptance of grizzlies among people in categories (iv) and (v), but rather more likely lead to further alienation among these groups from the institution of wildlife management, writ large. It is also debatable whether there would be any net effect among (iii) urban dwellers, as such.

Moreover, the response of (ii) rural residents living near grizzlies may be different from (i) trophy hunters. It is perhaps fair to say that a number of farmers and ranchers in areas recently occupied by grizzlies support eliminating these newly-arrived bears, regardless of the means used, and without particular reference to trophy hunting. By contrast, those who want to kill a grizzly as a trophy, and hope to obtain a license to do so, will probably have less definite ideas about where grizzlies live—and be the most invested of all in whether or not there are hunting opportunities, as such. Other hunters yet, who are less motivated to hunt a grizzly, may want to see fewer grizzlies in most areas—achieved by whatever means possible—simply because they see them as a threat to human safety and a competitor for opportunities to kill elk, moose, and perhaps deer.

None of these perspectives could be construed as naturally producing increased acceptance of grizzlies through institution of a trophy hunt. Even taking the special case of trophy hunters, it is probably safe to say that they have an antecedent interest in killing grizzlies for sport, independent of whether a hunting opportunity actually exists. If so, under a hunting regime they would support having grizzlies around largely as means of realizing a pre-existing desire, not as a result of any changes in intrinsic acceptance or valuation of these animals.

5. CONFLATING SOCIAL ACCEPTANCE WITH A DESIRE FOR FEWER GRIZZLY BEARS IN FEWER PLACES?

This deconstruction of “people” and “the public” into plausible subpopulations holding markedly different perspectives about grizzly bears and hunting raises an important issue. It is very likely the case that many people—as well as most managers—conflate support for sport hunting of grizzly bears with an underlying and perhaps often unarticulated desire simply for there to be fewer bears in fewer places. In other words, a substantial number of people who say they support a grizzly bear hunt may be offering that support, not out of a place that is likely to produce increased acceptance, but rather out of a desire to achieve the antecedent goal of reducing grizzly bear numbers and distributions. This is something fundamentally different from increased “acceptance” or certainly “tolerance,” other than perhaps as expressed in abstract support for the existence of grizzlies somewhere, but not in a person's literal or figurative back yard—which is what would be needed to achieve goals (i) and (ii) under point 2, above.

6. WHAT ABOUT THE EVIDENCE?

Does the implementation of a sport/trophy hunt for a large carnivore population lead to either increased acceptance of the hunted species or, on a related note, decreased poaching? If so, among which sub-populations of people are these effects present? Unfortunately, there has been very little scientific inquiry into these questions, and essentially all of what's been reported has focused on wolves. And, with that proviso, it is unclear the extent to which the available research is relevant to grizzly bears, primarily because of the different ways that wolves and grizzlies are symbolically constructed by most people (Kellert et al. 1996). That having been said:

In the United States, Treves et al. (2013), Hogberg et al. (2015), and Browne-Núñez et al. (2015) found little change in attitudes towards wolves among residents of Wisconsin regardless of whether hunting was allowed or lethal control more aggressive. In fact, among certain people they found less tolerance and a greater proclivity to poach wolves, especially among hunters and male rural residents. Similarly, Chapron & Treves (2016) found indications that levels of poaching in Wisconsin and Michigan had actually increased after the institution of programs to cull wolves, presumably in response to tacit signals from authorities that encouraged private vendettas. Such phenomena are also likely playing out in the Northern Rockies given that roughly 22% of all the radio-marked wolves that have died were illegally killed (Smith et al. 2010), which is probably a minimum estimate given that much poaching can be quite cryptic (Liberg et al. 2012).

In Scandinavia and Finland, where hunting of wolves is legal, Suutarinen & Kojola (2018) and Liberg et al. (2020) found that areas with a legal hunt tended to experience less poaching, but that the effect was relatively small. Poaching in all areas was quite high. Adding a layer of complexity, Kaltenborn & Brainerd et al. (2016) found that poaching (not hunting, as such) might have increased local tolerance for wolves by affirming rural community values, although a large majority of people in the region still disapproved of poaching—with resulting social dissonance. All of this played out against the unsurprising backdrop of greater acceptance of poaching in rural areas with strong hunting traditions (Gangass et al. 2013).

These results are clearly ambiguous and even contradictory regarding the key question of whether institution of a hunt leads to less poaching and increased acceptance of, in this case, wolves. Even so, there is certainly not any basis in the relevant science for claiming that a grizzly bear trophy hunt would recruit more tolerance among those sharing space with grizzlies—consistent with earlier assessments by researchers such as Adrian Treves (Treves 2009).

7. MONTANA'S OWN UNPLANNED EXPERIMENT

Montana's own experience with grizzly bear hunting is also instructive. Sport hunting of grizzly bears in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem (GYE) ended shortly after grizzlies were given ESA protections during 1975. For rather peculiar reasons, sport hunting continued in the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem (NCDE) until ended by a court order during 1991. One would expect that if the existence of a trophy hunt significantly affected public support for grizzly bears there would have been some sort of a reaction. Given that there are no surveys of public sentiment from that period that would provide insight into how people responded, the best proxy for a backlash would be evidence of increased poaching. To my knowledge, there is no evidence of such an increase.

8. WORLDVIEWS, BELIEFS, AND FEAR

These equivocal results are not surprising given that an overwhelming amount of research has shown that people's perspectives and behaviors regarding the environment are profoundly shaped by social identity, community norms, beliefs, and worldviews, all potentially entangled with levels of fear—and all of which is resistant to change (for example, see: Kellert 1996, Clayton & Myers 2009, Koger & Du Nann Winter 2010).

More specifically, Kaltenborn et al. (1998), Bjerke & Kaltenborn (1999), Kaltenborn & Bjerke (2002), and Mattson & Ruther (2012) found strong ties between people's attitudes towards large carnivores and their more generalized views of proper relations between people and the natural world. Not surprisingly, baseline attitudes were additionally affected by the extent to which people feared or were otherwise emotionally engaged with large carnivores (Johansson & Karlsson 2011, Johansson et al. 2012, Slagle et al. 2012), perceived costs attached to their presence (Naughton-Treves et al. 2003, Zajac et al. 2012, Kaltenborn et al. 2013, Schroeder et al. 2018), and distrust of government authorities (Højberg et al. 2017). All of these proclivities were consolidated and sustained by shared narratives, often among those with shared identities (Byrd 2002, Mattson et al. 2006, Lute & Gore 2014, Lute et al. 2014), amplified by community norms and resentments (Lüchtrath & Schraml 2015, Von Essen et al. 2018, Peterson et al. 2019).

9. CONCLUSION

9. CONCLUSION I

A few conclusions can be reached at this point. First, based on deductive considerations, the available evidence, and what we know about the basics of human social-psychology, there is little likelihood that instituting a grizzly bear trophy hunt will increase acceptance of grizzlies among most back-country users, hunters, or rural residents. More likely, a sport hunt would merely satisfy a pre-existing demand held by a small number of people interested in killing grizzly bears as trophies, and be understood by rural residents and backcountry users who resent the presence of grizzly bears as a tacit commitment by the FWP to reduce numbers and distributions of bears. A hunt might also be seen by many hunters as fulfillment of FWP's obligations to them under the current business model and cultural norms of state wildlife management (see below). None of these outcomes amount to increased tolerance or acceptance.

10. A BETTER WAY

Stepping away from the unhelpful frame of arguing for or against the recruitment of social acceptance through the institution of grizzly bear trophy hunts, I contend it is worth considering a worthier, more robust, and more justifiable goal: lessening polarization and resentment among stakeholders while building trust for state wildlife managers, with the derivative potential through these means of increasing accommodation for grizzly bears.

In fact, I would argue this goal should be paramount for FWP and the Governor. There is good reason to believe that much of the anger, conflict, and distrust surrounding management of wildlife—including grizzly bears—arises from people on all sides feeling victimized by current power and decision-making arrangements; in other words, from people feeling treated unjustly and then acting out of a place of resentment even to the extent of poaching animals that are identified with the perceived injustice (for examples see: Lühtrath & Schraml [2015], Jacobsen & Linnell [2016], Højberg et al. [2017], Pohja-Mykrä [2017], Von Essen et al. [2018]). As Steve Primm so eloquently noted (Primm 1996), much this resentment arising from unequitable power arrangements gets displaced onto the involved animals (for example, grizzly bears) and people (those holding different values and seeking different outcomes) through symbolic processes such as demonization.

Unlike the research focused on effects of carnivore sport hunting on attitudes—which, although scant, uniformly calls in question any direct beneficial effect—there has been a substantial amount of research devoted to finding ways to reduce conflict and build trust among stakeholders with different perspectives about proper wildlife management. This research uniformly shows or otherwise supports the idea that greater trust and increased accord can come from giving stakeholders of all persuasions voice, standing, and authority in decision-making processes. Moreover, this is more likely to happen if stakeholders are meaningfully engaged on an on-going basis rather than as part of a one-off process such as the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council (for example, see Primm & Wilson [2004], McLaughlin et al. [2005], Treves et al. [2006], Wilson & Clark [2007], Pellikka & Sandström [2011], Redpath et al. [2017], Wilson et al. [2017], and various chapters in Clark & Rutherford [2014]).

But with this idea as a premise, there is additional research showing that attempts at engagement can backfire and actually spawn increased conflict and distrust if considerable attention is not given to creating a fair, well-facilitated process that does not unduly favor one set of stakeholder interests over another (for example, Richie et al. 2012, López-Bao et al. 2017)—either in who is designated to participate, how the process is conducted, or voices that are or are not heard. In other words, processes end up being counter-productive if they are seen by a significant number of stakeholders as being stacked to represent certain interests, controlled by people with an obvious interest in achieving preordained outcomes, and facilitated by people who are also obviously serving the special interests of power-brokers who convened the process.

11. CONCLUSION II

The upshot of all this is that it would be far more productive for FWP and the Governor to focus on creating well-constituted high-quality collaborative decision-making processes that provide stakeholders of all sorts with sustained and meaningful opportunities to participate—rather than focusing on divisive issues such as instituting a grizzly bear trophy hunt and removing ESA protections for grizzly bears. Admittedly, this conclusion is based on the assumption that both FWP and the Governor are genuinely interested in increasing trust and decreasing polarization among stakeholder.

12. FINALLY, WHO'S IN AND WHO'S OUT?

Having introduced the idea of empowering stakeholders through authoritative collaborative processes, some big questions remain. Who is considered to be a legitimate stakeholder by those authorized to convene processes and establish boundaries for participation (for a statement of the problem see Mattson [2014], Serfass et al. [2008], and Wilson [2015] for example)? Moreover, what is the basis for making such a determination?

With these questions in mind, it is worth critically examining the current nature of wildlife management in the West, including Montana. In a technical sense, wildlife management here is despotic (Mattson 2016). By this I mean that the special interests of a small minority of people are given preference over the valid interests of the remainder. As a simple matter of fact, FWP, like most other state wildlife management agencies, almost exclusively serves the interests of resident hunters and fishers—and also those of rural landowners—because of cultural preferences and direct or indirect financial and political dependencies (Decker et al. 1996; Hagood 1997; Beck 1998; Pacelle 1998; Rutberg 2001; Gill 1996, 2001; Nie 2004a, 2004b; Clark & Rutherford 2005; Jacobson & Decker 2006; Mattson & Clark 2010; Mattson 2014; Peterson & Nelson 2017). The model employed by FWP more closely resembles that of a for-profit business serving a specific set of customers than it does that of a government bureau focused on serving the public trust (Jacobson & Decker 2008, Mattson 2014, Serfass et al. 2018).

The business model employed by FWP is justified by the North American Model of Wildlife Management, which is ardently promoted by hunters and state wildlife managers. Paradoxically, the North American Model features the public trust, but then is often interpreted as suggesting that the only valid stakeholders are hunters and fishers residing within a given state served by a particular wildlife management agency (Geist et al. 2001, Organ et al. 2012). In some statements of the Model, stakeholders who ascribe intrinsic value to wildlife are viewed as a threat (Mahoney et al. 2008). These sorts of exclusions are problematic because they contravene what the Public Trust actually requires—which is giving due regard to the valid interests of all citizens (for example; Clark & Milloy 2014, Hare & Blossey 2014, Treves et al. 2015).

Moreover, there is the question of whether the national public with an interest in management of regional wildlife should be explicitly included or excluded (Mattson 2016). This is an especially relevant question for management of an iconic species such as the grizzly bear, which survives only in Montana, Wyoming, and Idaho, yet is of interest to numerous people nationwide. It is commonly argued that those with the greatest material stakes, such as livestock producers living among grizzlies, should be able to dictate the terms of management—despite being comparatively few in number, and despite there being many more people both regionally and nationally with a less tangible stake in how grizzlies are treated.

Although there is some merit in this contention, in reality a democracy is always negotiating the balance between the localized interests of the few and the more diffuse interests of the many. A related issue is the scale at which we give citizens standing in decision-making processes. Municipal? County? State? National? Some issues entail consequences of such magnitude for so many people that decision-making necessarily occurs at a national scale. National defense is a classic example. Regardless of the scale, some issues and outcomes are of such importance collectively that they trump the localized special interests of the few—partly codified in the well-established notion of eminent domain. At some point, enough people have a sufficient stake over a wide enough geographic extent to legitimize the elevation of political deliberations from the state to the national level. At some point the aggregate interests of the many outweigh the localized interests of the few. Such is likely to be the case with grizzly bears in Montana.

These sorts of considerations are important if for no other reason than the decline in numbers of hunters as a proportion of adults and the large percentages of the general public that disapprove of sport hunting—trophy hunting in particular. For example, the percent of adults who participated in hunting steadily dropped in Montana from 9% during 1996 to 4% during 2011 (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service & U.S. Census Bureau, 1997, 2002, 2007, 2014). And, insofar as trophy or sport hunting is concerned, surveys have consistently shown that 63 to 71% of adults in the United States disapprove of such activities or even find them morally unacceptable (for example, Kellert 1978, Heberlein & Willebrand 1998, The Economist/YouGov 2018). Such figures are ignored by wildlife managers and others at their peril, especially when promoting a grizzly bear trophy hunt for reasons that could be construed as largely political.

13. CONCLUSION III

The upshot of all this is two-fold. First, FWP needs to have an on-going way of actively incorporating into grizzly bear management the valid interests of those in Montana who don't hunt or even fish, ideally through well-constituted processes that empower a legitimate cross-section of the public both at the state and local levels (Jacobson & Decker 2006, 2008; Jacobson et al. 2010; Clark & Milloy 2014; Decker et al. 2016). The FWP itself has already fielded this idea in the form of a recommendation included in its penultimate state grizzly bear plan (Dood et al. 2006, page 29). Second, there are good reasons to offer the broader American public an on-going authoritative opportunities to participate in management of grizzly bears in Montana, regardless of whether bears here are listed under the ESA or not.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

there are way to many bears on our landscape. They need to be aggressively managed by hunting and need man kind to keep them at a bay. Having to worry about Grizzly bears on the prairie's of central MT is ridiculous.

#242

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Q1

Name (optional):

Donna Shkursky

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As an actual taxpayer in the state of Montana I support hunting as a management tool for Grizzly bears. I think my opinion, as those of my fellow Taxpayers in Montana, should have more power than an outside NGO.

#243

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stacy

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies in Montana are and have been recovered for some time now. We're seeing more and more depredations and bear-human conflicts. Montana needs to be able to properly manage all predators, especially grizzlies. A regulated hunting season on grizzlies would help control their population and generate much needed revenue for the department. Also, it would help to instill a healthy fear of humans again. Just as we manage wolves, mountain lions and black bear, we should be hunting grizzlies as well. I believe Idaho and Wyoming will be allowing hunting of grizzlies as part of their management plan soon. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Stacy Kandel

NW Montana resident

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Q1

Name (optional):

Angela Randak

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am very against the hunting of these iconic creatures. They don't know where the boundary of Yellowstone ends and shouldn't be subject to hunting for sport. They aren't overpopulated, and people generally don't eat bear meat. Grizzlies have had a hard climb back up in population. Please don't defeat them now.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

100% against a grizzly bear hunt within the next decade for the following reasons:

1. There needs to be a corridor between the GYE grizzlies and those in the Bitterroot and Glacier Park area for biodiversity.
2. Too many grizzlies are killed per year from humans as it is due to garbage/food conflicts, hunters 'misidentifying' them for black bears, bow-hunter/grizzly conflicts, hikers shooting them when they should have bear spray instead (4 bears were just removed from the wild due to that hiker/sow incident near Dupuyer last week). These types of conflicts should be greatly reduced before a hunt is even considered.
3. Grizzlies have such a low reproduction rate, and much of their current food sources are dwindling (cutthroat trout, white bark pine nuts, etc.)

Thank you for your time.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jerry C. Shively

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support the hunting of Grizzly Bears when they are finally removed ESL. it would be very profitable for Montana FWP in the form of license fees. It would be a cost effective way to remove problem bears. It would also be very well supported by those of us who live next to the bears. as far as I am concerned a fully protected bear, as they are now has no value. a bear that I might someday be able to hunt is a very different bear. Jerry C. Shively Thompson Falls Mt

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dusty Crary

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A well managed and outcome focused hunt could be one of the most important aspects of maintaining a viable and healthy population of Grizzly Bears for the future of the state.

Placing "recreational opportunity" far down the list of objectives and instead concentrating on specific criteria for location (social and safety tolerances), population densities (no hunting in low population areas), targeting sex and age class through season dates and education.

Though repulsive to a relatively small number of people, a well managed hunt is crucial to gaining, and maintaining, broad social acceptance and tolerance state wide. A controlled situation with measurable outcomes should be preferable to everyone, in contrast to indiscriminate "missing" animals and the social resentment of enforcement

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I realize as a council you have a commitment to help the Grizzly Bear. We have to get a season started and treat them just like black bears. We all love these animals but we have to manage populations with quota hunting. It will take a lot of courage to do this but it is time.

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Name (optional):

Jay Williamson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support Grizzly bear hunting

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeff McMurdie

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please science and reason and not emotion when determining a grizzly bear hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Stone

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Bear hunting, or any predator hunting is essential to ensure survival of all species! Wolves are decimating deer and elk populations because they have gone unchecked, the same thing will happen with bears and when there is that much competition they will ultimately start looking closer to towns for easier meals. Best hunting must continue!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan Miner

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thin the herd via hunting, now. 30-50% reduction. Let hunters remove the bears that have lost a fear of mankind.

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Name (optional):

Jim Madden

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Greg a

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Regulated hunting is the only way to save a species from encroachment

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Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russell MacLennan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

AGREE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steve Gosnell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow Montana FWP to make science based decisions to manage wildlife species through all reasonable methods including hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mark Donovan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would like to add my name supporting a managed Grizzly Bear hunt, wildlife management under the North American Model is the only long term successful way to increase wildlife species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Hunter Rougeou

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow Grizzly Bear Hunting.

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Name (optional):

Chris Hanks

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Managed grizzly bear hunting of a select number of animals to balance bear numbers with available habitat is a sound conservation tool.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Richard tate

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Use common Sense the bear population needs to be managed and hunting is the way to do it

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Name (optional):

Chris Hanks

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Managed grizzly bear hunting of a select number of animals to balance bear numbers with available habitat is a sound conservation tool.

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Name (optional):

Ray Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Sincerely,
Ray Anderson

#265

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Name (optional):

Robert Ward

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am for a science based, managed, grizzly bear hunt in Montana

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Q1

Name (optional):

Guy Schoenborn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please reopen grizzly bear hunts in Montana. Grizzlies have recovered to more than the minimum number required by the ESA. The state of Montana and it's biologists will not allow the numbers to fall below ESA minimums. Grizzlies need to regain a fear of man.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Justin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If we keep on like we are, bear/human encounters will continue to rise and eventually reach a point where drastic measures will be screamed for(rational or not.) How about we take proactive steps ie. Limited draw hunts and a science based yearly harvest just like every other species that is at or above target numbers.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dino Fanelli

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

How many bears are enough? I live in the Madison Valley and we have had several bear attacks on hunters just in the last few years. Ranchers that have grazing lots are not comfortable anymore checking on their livestock throughout the Summer. It is our States responsibility to manage our wildlife. So start doing your job, manage these bears with a limited hunt. Thank you!

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Q1

Name (optional):

AARON NEILSON

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Proper game management has always included regulated off-take of any species...including the Grizzly Bear! Management and conservation of our wildlife, should never include emotional influence by those who have no experience or expertise in the matter of legitimate wild game management...period! Please open Grizzly bear hunting now...the bears will benefit too!

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Name (optional):

Dennis Biggs

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

With the restoration of the grizzly population in Montana, it's now time to restore the management of the grizzly to the scientists and experts at the Montana FWB. The FWB will regulate the population using proven, scientific based management principles, not emotion. The overall population of the grizzly will be managed to balance their presence with all the other game and non game animals in the state.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Best

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support the proposed Grizzly hunting season. Management of hunting seasons should be based on scientific facts developed by game fish biologists.

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Name (optional):

Jacob Herman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open sustainable grizzly hunting!

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Q1

Name (optional):

K Haines

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bear numbers are way out of balance now they need to be hunted so the numbers can be brought into check for natural balance in nature and for the locals safety. Bears not being hunted have no fear of man which is very much a safety hazard for residents and other individuals out enjoying nature. Plus the revenue from selling licenses and locals having income from the hunts will stimulate local economies and raise more money for future conservation projects

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Little

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A managed Grizzly Bear hunt is the safest manner for Fish and Wildlife to manage the population sustainably.

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Name (optional):

Craig Clendenin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Responsible hunting of grizzlies is necessary to protect both the grizzlies and the environment.

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Name (optional):

John Widmayer

Q3

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Sincerely,
John Widmayer

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Gavin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Members of the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a "managed" grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Tom Gavin

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Q1

Name (optional):

JT Satterfield

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A positive, but well regulated, hunt of grizzly bears need to be continued. This will provide for the management of range resources available to bears as well as manage negative human-bear interactions. These being brought forth by grizzly bears seeking to expand their range in search of nutrients lost by overcrowding in current populations. We look forward to the council's reasoned and rationally informed outcomes.

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Name (optional):

Jonathan Ochoa

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Vollmar

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is a renewable resources that must be managed. Hunting is the best way to generate revenue for the state and manage the population.

#281

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Q1

Name (optional):

EDWARD A SAVARNO

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

LIMITED BEAR HUNT IS NEEDED

#282

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The North American model has proven itself as a sustainable and ethical approach to preserving species that would otherwise be threatened or go extinct. Absent some hunting program that provides a strong economic incentive for the protection of the grizzly bear, it will be difficult for it to survive as Montana develops its natural resources. The anti-hunting argument essentially ignores this, and will result in not only a diminution in resources available to the state for preservation and conservation but ultimately the destruction of the grizzly bear and its habitat. I strongly support a science-based, ethical hunting program based on the North American model for the grizzly bear.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Howard P Monsour Jr

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's imperative that we establish controlled HUNTING for the grizzly bear. It's supported by common sense and science. The science has been proven by our successful North American model on wildlife management. The hunting season itself will provide more funds through licensure to help ensure grizzly bear's Survival. Establishing a HUNTING season also Will help protect our outdoor enthusiast wether they be hikers, fisherman or other hunters imprinting in the Bears psyche that man is a primary predator and to be avoided. This will lead hopefully to less grizzly-human tragedy that adversely affect both species. I implore you to please put science ahead of emotion.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bill Eberhardt

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jo King

Q3

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Sincerely,

Jo King

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Name (optional):

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm a 57 year old resident. I m seriously thinking about selling my land up the gallatin valley due to so many Grizzlies on my land. Even in this deep snow while horn hunting the first tracks are grizzly. Any time we harvest an elk we have to take the whole elk out guys and all. We put out 8 trail cams and have Grizzlies walking through middle of the day. We encounter bluff charges every year. They need to know that they are hunted . Most Grizzlies have been good but a few take awhile to leave by continues yelling.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Shane

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Shoot A Bear; Get A Rug and, Ten big Claws. The end. Don't Shoot
and the Bears grt A Rifle a Knife and your Sammich.

#289

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Q1

Name (optional):

Patrick Patterson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Managed animal hunting has been working for years in America, Europe and Africa. Funds from hunters can be used strategically to improve many related causes. Animals can die from many things and its natural for beings to be born and to die. Eating meat is healthy and has been done for centuries. Hunters are conservationists and philanthropists not cold blooded killers.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathy Tourney

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting bears is crucial to maintain a balance between predators and prey animals.

#291

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

States left to effectively manage wildlife have shown that hunting plays a significant role in overall conservation efforts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Grizzly Adams

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please Bear with me as I question why you don't see the obvious benefit to making this state become like California where our Bears smoke weed and hang with the homeless. The homeless like sleeping with the furry grizzlies because they are warm and cuddly. Some of the homeless runaways and crackheads who are females are really into the black bears and call them "Papa Bear". If we would just quit using fossil fuels then the bears could take off their coats and enjoy our nude beaches. Let's make our state the next California!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Larrywasser

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

All animals need to be protected and yet controlled. Grizzly numbers and conflicts have been rising extremely lately yet we have yet to start hunting to keep numbers in check. Extremely important for people,businesses and ranchers that numbers are regulated.

#295

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rick Young

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please think this through!

I hunted Grizzly in 2017 in BC Canada. In 5 days I saw 7 Interior Grizz in a short or small area and by the size of them I can tell you they are thriving. I took 1 bear and the locals thanked me many times. BC closed Grizz hunting that Dec. for reasons that are political and not practical. They to have a place but when completely protected the results are not what anybody wants. Please just be reasonable

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Name (optional):

Chris

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is a proven effective method for animal management. It serves to help the animals by reducing the numbers thus reducing disease and food scarcity issues. The public is served by reducing dangerous bear encounters and provides funding for Grizzly management and research.

Draw hunts are limited and regulated by the state with strict guidelines to ensure proper Grizzly bear management. Trust the science and trust the history of American hunters preserving the balance of animals at risk.

#297

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Name (optional):

Larrywasser

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dave Bigler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would like to encourage the Council to strongly consider science based evidence in determining what would be best for Grizzly Bears. Throughout the World carefully managed and regulated hunting of animals has benefited all parties. The Grizzly Bear and the people of Montana are counting on you to do the right thing.
Thank you for reading my comments.

#299

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gary Stamper

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If everyone is interested in protecting the Grizzlies then they need to wake up and smell the roses. When an animal such as the Grizzly is hunted it puts a fear of man back into their genetics. Controlled hunting of these Bears should cut down on human bear conflicts and deaths. I urge you to start a Hunting season for Grizzly Bears on a limited draw basis set forth by the Montana Game and Fish.

Thanks for your consideration in this matter.

Gary Stamper

#300

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's time to re-open a regulated hunting season for grizzly bears in Montana. Grizzly bears are no longer endangered in Montana and have repopulated far more than anticipated.

The grizzly bear population can sustain a scientifically based, limited, regulated hunt for mature boars.

Emotionally charged sentiments against a grizzly bear hunt should not outweigh a science based decision that recommends a limited season.

Make the right decision and re-open a grizzly bear season in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brant Hurlburt

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bear, and all hunt regulations, should be formed using credible statistics and analyzed by knowledgeable wildlife people. Anti-hunters have a right to their opinion, but should not be able to force that opinion on hunters, just as hunters should not be able to force them to hunt!

#302

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Name (optional):

Q3

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Please do not swayed by emotionalism, but rather by scientific and logical reasoning as to what is best for the bears and humans alike.

#303

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jacob Edwards

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Here is a simple explanation of why the grizzly bear hunt important. I spend several thousand dollars a year on hunting applications and applying and then drwaing tags, gas, hotel, lodging. I dont apply areas thats are a risk plan and simple. I dont apply in Wyoming in areas with Grizzlies and idk apply for Montana at all because the areas i wanna apply Montana have grizzli3s and no way to put fear into bears to stay away humans. If you start hunting them theyll be more prone to fearing us and leaving us alone. I havent applied for Montana for years but a Grizzly hunt I'll apply for that!! Charge \$8500 for tag and a nonresident license Ill pay \$8500 to have a tag and hire a guide to hunt them. If you 2wanna make it even bettwr make it nonresidents need to hire a licensed guide in Montana to hunt them \$8500 for tag and ill employe a residemt of Montanas guide service with another \$6k to guide me on a Lower 48 bear. Thats money towards your state, Make it required nonresidents need a guide amd charge \$8500 people will pay it for the claim they got a lower 48 bear and also helped the cause of less bear interactions

#304

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We live on the Sun River between Simms and Augusta and can attest to the success of placing Grizzly bears on the ESA. We have a robust population of Grizzlies in and around our ranch. They have moved out of the mountains to their historic habitat, which suggests the population has expanded substantially. Human/bear/livestock conflicts seem to increase each year which leads to a removal of problem bears - at a cost to the public - when population control could actually be done by responsible hunters under FWP rules and regulations. Bears in 2020 have become conditioned in a way that does not limit human/bear conflict. Instead, lack of hunting has done the opposite.

A goal of the ESA should be to eventually remove a species from it - no longer endangered is a good thing - and place the management of the species in the hands of state wildlife agencies. For the Yellowstone and Northern Rocky ecosystems, the populations support removal from the ESA and transfer management to MT FWP. This is a success story not a failure.

#305

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Q1

Name (optional):

Anonymous

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a decades long conservationist and hunter, it is inarguable that strictly managed hunting is responsible for the come back and protection of species throughout the World. Both the Grizzly Bear and Humans will be best served by a well regulated Grizzly Bear hunting season.

#306

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mary Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Advisory Council members:

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Please rely on scientific facts as opposed to those who only know wild life as cute and fuzzy.

Thanks very much,

#307

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Townsend

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Allow grizzly bear hunting, they destroy livestock, elk and eat people.

#308

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order to maintain a sustainable population of any species, one has to practice sound management. There are many tools in a managers tool chest. Hunting is one of them. Management is without emotion. Period.

#309

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mark Peters

Q3

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

In summary a well managed hunting program is likely to result in a healthier bear population and, in the long run, may result in fewer bear deaths than in an unmanaged population.

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Mark Peters

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would like to offer my opinion on this subject in favor of a managed grizzly hunt. I believe these animals are no different than any other animal or fish out there. DNR biologist tell us to harvest 750LBS. of bluegills per acre of water per year to maintain a healthy balance of fish in our lakes and ponds. Theses animals are not different in the balance of natures needs. By a managed hunt being implemented there will be many benefits for the animals, ranchers and public alike. Please look seriously at this as it needs to be addressed. Thanks and have a good day!

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Name (optional):

Brad Dana

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please support the ecologically sound decision to manage grizzly bears just like we manage other species.

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Name (optional):

Karen Moriello

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Sirs,

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Name (optional):

David Sakisbury

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The blocking of grizzly hunting is perversion of the ESA. The purpose of the ESA is to temporarily protect species until they meet recovery status, at which point the burden of management would be turned over to the states. It benefits the state to adequately manage the resource and not waste millions in needless litigation.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Thomas Jackson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear numbers are far from endangered, it's time to start managing them make them fer humans again.

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Name (optional):

Gary Burdett

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I feel we need a hunt on grizzly bear do to the fact that we have accomplished
The recovery I live in Polson mt.I hunt elk deer and mountain lions and every time I am in there habitat I see sign hunts would also
make them less confrontational of humans it should be up to Mt FWP
Gary Burdett

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Name (optional):

Dave Brockwell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hold a regulated Grizzly Bear hunt

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert McCloud

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow the controlled harvest of grizzly bears to keep their numbers in check and reduce the danger of encounters with humans, which will happen all to frequently if they are left unchecked. Thank you, Robert

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Name (optional):

Kelly Wyandt

Q3

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Name (optional):

Kelly Wyandt

Q3

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Name (optional):

Dr. Jeffrey S. Jones

Q3

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Thank you for your consideration.

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Name (optional):

Gary Miner

Q3

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Name (optional):

Kenneth Harrell

Q3

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Name (optional):

Carolyn Miner

Q3

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The hunting of grizzly bears needs to be allowed immediately. The bear/human conflicts are happening far to often.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Roger Avery

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do your job based on scientific data. Do not bend to the wishes of any extreme groups in either side of the argument. Also please do not make this a hunt to the highest bidders. This locks out everyone but the rich.

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Name (optional):

Travis Johnson

Q3

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Name (optional):

Isabelle Johnson

Q3

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Name (optional):

Paul Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting has paid for most of the conservation in this country for the past 120 years. In order to continue that support we need to expand every hunting and education opportunity across the country. Hunting, specifically, grizzly hunting will provide jobs, revenue, tourism and an opportunity to educate the public about the methods of conservation that have saved most of the species in North America.

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Name (optional):

Andy Pickens

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hey guys --

Thanks for taking the input!

As you make this decision, please be guided by science and the numbers rather than by emotion.

If the hunting quotas are sensible, and the laws are enforced, hunting is conservation. This is because hunters care about healthy animal populations being there over the years - and year after year. Take Ducks Unlimited, for example. Few organizations (if any) have done as much to preserve waterfowl habitat, to keep vital wetlands from being filled in and to keep duck flyways open than this group. Why? Because they want healthy duck populations to be there -- year after year through the generations. I believe bear hunters are the same way. They are delighted when bear populations increase and bear habitat is preserved.

Thanks for considering these points, and for your work on the Council.

All best,

Andy Pickens

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Name (optional):

Dr.Emmanuel M Gregory FRACS FRANZCO

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am fully supportive of the Southwest Montana Chapter of SCI in its input to your Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council meeting. As a Specialist Eye Surgeon in Australia I have had a long time interest in hunting as a means to balance my mainly indoor professional career. I have been involved in feral animal control in Australia and have hunted in many parts of the world including USA. A highlight was a hunt some years ago in Alaska for Coastal Brown Bear and my whole mount trophy has been shown to many people here in Australia who have understood the value of regulated hunting for the preservation of animal species world wide. USA has an enviable record in this effort as the recovery of species such as the Buffalo attest.

Please ensure a highly regulated Grizzly Bear management hunt is approved despite the ill-informed Animal rights lobby. I intend to make an application if this becomes a reality and if successful would be delighted to travel to the USA once this Covid19 disaster is overcome.

All the best with your deliberations.

Sincerely

Dr E.M.GREGORY

Sydney .Australia

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Q1

Name (optional):

Clive Peters

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Allow managed hunting of Grizzly bears in Montana. Facts speak louder than emotions.

Thank you

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Q1

Name (optional):

Michael Scully

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am in favor of controlled grizzly bear hunting which aids conservation efforts for the sustainability of the species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Mattusch

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplishing their goals, and believe it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. I cannot stress this enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts. The revenue generated by these hunts will not only help Montana Fish & Wildlife, there will be a trickle down effect through out the state for guides, land owners, taxidermists, butchers and others. This will also help to enforce the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation, one of the most successful wildlife conservation models in the world.

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Name (optional):

Ronald Inman

Q3

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is proven fact that Regulated Hunting helps to protect wild life and forest.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Salisbury

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I just wanted to say the obvious, follow the science and the experts, keep emotions out of decisions, thanks for your time Jim Salisbury

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Name (optional):

M. Jablonic

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

You need to use good science to manage the grizzly population.

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Name (optional):

Randall L. Orzalli

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To who it may concern,

I have no interest in hunting bears of any species.

I am a life long hunter and active conservationist and am no less concerned about this issue.

I understand the emotion the anti hunting opposition applies to this issue however I question the logic.

If the hunting ban is applied and the bear population expands will not problem bears be shot?

Considering the loss of revenue that hunting bears bring to the state this proposed ban seems to create at least as many problems as it solves.

Thank you,

Randy Orzalli

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Name (optional):

Jason Jolliff

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support controlled harvest of Grizzle bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Myles

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to have a grizzly bear management season. Take your wildlife model from Alaska. Hunting is good for the environment.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow hunting if these animals like all the rest of the big game animals

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tim Combs

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Gentlemen, you have done an amazing job managing the Montana Grizzly. Please continue to manage this species by appropriately maintaining numbers through sound biological practices. Controlling numbers through appropriate hunting measures.

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Remove them.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rich Grable

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support grizzly bear hunting. Hunters are the world's greatest conservationists.

#346

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would hope you would use scientific data in making your decisions. Often the emotional diatribes encountered do not have a basis in fact nor do they deal with finding solutions that address the needs of people living in the affected regions. Management of animal populations without input from hunters and conservation groups typically leads to adopting policies that do not meet the long term solutions required.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bears should be managed by the FWP, not by emotion. Allow regulated hunting for Grizzly Bears.

#348

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Q1

Name (optional):

Doug Boze

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

100% support grizzly bear management through hunting.

#349

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Q1

Name (optional):

Anne Dalvet

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider a regulated grizzly bear hunt in Montana to regulate and keep the amount of grizzly bear in balance. There have been problems during archery seasons with bear. You don't want to deter hunters from coming to Montana for fear of a grizzly attack.

#350

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If there was 38 that got hit by trains last year. There must be enough to hunt. The bears have no fear of humans

#351

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sean Erickson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly hunting needs to be allowed on a limited tag basis. Teach the bears that humans aren't food and aren't to be trifled with. Bears are doing incredibly well, and should be managed just the same as bighorn sheep or other animals

#352

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Robinson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

please use available scientific data and every available management tool to regulate grizzly bears as you would regulate every other animal. And thank you for investing the resources to recover this once endangered species to sustainable populations!

#353

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Bergsing

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Sincerely, Robert Bergsing

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bear numbers have been up for many years in the 2004 DNA study that there are over 700 bears in the ecosystem that was 16 years ago. you are running out of places to relocate them. open a season up and start controlling their numbers. It is getting unsafe for the people of the state. The bears have no fear of humans and that fear needs to be re- instilled in them

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Q1

Name (optional):

Doylenewhouse

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A regulated hunting season would have no detriment to the grizzly bear population and permit population control where necessary. Would also allow landowners some control over interactions with problems encountered. Anytime no hunting is instituted problems arise.

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Q1

Name (optional):

COL. James O. Pittman, USA, RET.

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time the effective management of Grizzly Bear populations in Montana be decided by sound wildlife management principals and NOT the emotionally biased arguments by animal rights organizations that have prevented the controlled management of these apex predators. Grizzly populations in the USA and Canada are not endangered, they are widely distributed in Montana, and they are increasingly coming into contact with people causing death and serious injury as their numbers increase. Apex predators that do not associate humans with danger do not fear humans, and more human deaths, serious injury, and depredation of agricultural resources will continue unless the right decisions are made. Using sound wildlife management principals, of which hunting has always been a key component world-wide, controls populations, brings in needed revenue to offset depredation, creates a natural fear of humans that is critical to reducing human-animal contact, and will NOT, if properly managed, threaten their continued existence in the wild. If anything, it will improve it. You can let politics instead of science guide your decision, and if you do I can guarantee that more people AND bears will die.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunt The Griz

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike DeMaria

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are a renewable resource just like all other game animals in Montana. Their numbers should be regulated by sport hunting.

#359

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is a God given right. The right to provide for your family, especially when in need. Think about all of us lower income families who are able to hunt and fish, and fill our freezer to help provide for our families.

#360

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steve Porto

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Set a quota for male grizzly bears based on best science and offer them as Governor's tags or draw tags to maximize revenue.
Hunting is conservation !

#361

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Q1

Name (optional):

Philip Massaro

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would respectfully ask the Council to base their decisions on science - which invariably points to hunting as a wise conservation tool - and to avoid the emotion-driven rhetoric. As with the whitetail deer, pronghorn antelope, Rocky Mountain elk and so many African species, the regulated hunted of a species, with the funds directed towards habitat preservation and wise management, leads to a healthier population.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Luther Moller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a resident of another state I support grizzly bear hunting in your state as long as you properly manage it. Additionally since most bear hunting will take place on federal public lands those who live in other states have an equal standing in the subject
Thank you for considering my position

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jay Batcheller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please introduce a hunting season for the safety of the hunters and to help the conservation efforts of our great states!

#364

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Q1

Name (optional):

Randal Mayes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is very important that the Montana grizzly bear numbers are controlled. I am in favor of having the bears but know that their numbers need to be controlled. The most effective way would be through hunting.

#365

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matt Estes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is really time we take a hard look at implementing a hunting season on Grizzlies in Montana. They are no longer endangered in this state. I believe in a healthy sustainable population, but when they are causing significant problems they need to be managed accordingly. The FWP seems to be euthanizing more than what a hunting season for them would impact. FWP has to tie up hours upon hours dealing with all of these bears. It's time to make some changes.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jerry Evans

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider hunting as a valuable management tool in the ongoing struggle to balance grizzly populations with the needs and safety of the populace.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am tired of constantly having to watch my back in the woods. One run in with grizz is enough. Now we are having them regularly. Time to thin the population and put the fear of man back in a few bears. Long past due!

#369

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rob

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There needs to be a grizzly bear hunt, their population is getting too high and there are attacks from grizzlies every year.

#370

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Q1

Name (optional):

Peter Klick

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think the time has come for wildlife manages to use scientific data in the management and control of species like the Grizzly Bear. I never understand how anti hunting, anti anything people can use their numbers to politicize sound scientific data in the management of a species. The opinions and comments of these people should be totally disregarded in management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeremy unruh

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a resident of Montana I am very much for a grizzly bear hunting season much like they do with big horn ship. You get a tag and the season is closed once so many bears are killed.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Havey

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please strongly consider allowing a managed grizzly bear hunting season in Montana in order to preserve and conserve the bear population in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Swan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Scientifically managed hunting is a vital tool in wildlife management. Until we remove all domestic animals, remove fencing and population centers, we can't rely on nature to keep animal populations at the levels they were hundreds of years ago.

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Q1

Name (optional):

msmith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

More action needs to be taken to remove and deter grizzly bears from more populated areas. In addition, grizzly hunting should be enacted.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

All animals should be managed by professionals with the interests of the ecosystem in mind. If the biologists determine that a species (grizzly bears) is at max capacity for the habitat then a sustainable means of population control needs to be implemented. You can apply this logic to any species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joseph Mulders

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please support science based decisions regarding grizzly bears and allow regulated hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brian Niesse

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please manage grizzly bear numbers with hunting based on scientific data.

#378

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joseph Mulders

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please support science based decisions regarding grizzly bears and allow regulated hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan M

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm in favor of a hunt for grizzly bears to maintain a healthy population and reduce conflicts with people.

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Q1

Name (optional):

MICHAEL TRAPANI, III

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Wildlife management is allowing animals to be managed by knowledgeable people who are concerned about the total well being of the animal and society. Scientific ideas and actions without emotions is most important.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Egan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Management of wildlife should be based on science and tradition. Grizzly bear populations are high enough to allow a limited hunt according to biologists. Limited hunting should also make a difference in the behaviour and lack of fear from the bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeffrey W. Lee, Sr.

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I urge you to allow grizzly hunting to be allowed. It is a great resource that needs to be managed properly.

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Q1

Name (optional):

NWMT

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To manage the population growth of grizzly bears, hunting is necessary to reduce the number to meet the available habitat. If management by hunting is not introduced, there will be deadly consequences for humans and the bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Oren Jones

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Good conservation is not defined as "no animals dying ever" it is defined as managing resources in such a way that they renew in perpetuity. Grizzly Bears unmanaged and left to grow unchecked will lead to an unhealthy impact on the landscape. Other native fauna, people, even the bears themselves will be negatively affected. These bears will need to be managed and I for one reject the idea of government agents or poisons being one day implemented to cull the population. As a hunter I have great appreciation and invested interest in maintaining or growing huntable populations of animals. To keep the Grizzly bear on the endangered species act not only flies in the face of what the act stands for. Furthermore it can only lead to expensive government intervention in place of a lucrative hunting season.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeff Lichon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Thank you!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tim Lund

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Thank you,
Tim

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Allow hunting it is an America birth rite!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ron Odegard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please start to manage the grizzle bear as well as you manage the deer, elk , moose and sheep. Numbers are all way down, so figures the bear numbers would decrease also!

#389

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Name (optional):

David Kolbe

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Open a season

#390

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly believe that there should be a management plan in place to control the rapidly growing and expanding grizzly bear population. I personally no longer recreate with my family in the areas that grizzly bears inhabit or may wander in to. There is a current black bear season and feel that over time the grizzly bear should also be managed in a similar way.

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the hunting and harvest of grizzly bears in Montana.

#392

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Q1

Name (optional):

robert dreger

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

it is imperative to have a managed hunt for grizzly bear for the benefit of the bears and safety of humans

#393

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Q1

Name (optional):

Doug Reimer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Michael martelli

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Are grizzly bears are becoming more prevalent they need to be managed not shot as Nuson bears by just a game warden with a badge it is an animal that needs to be managed. The people keep on encroaching on the land and the bear population keeps growing with the lack of food source makes our grizzlies much more aggressive! Bottom line everything needs to be managed and these bears need to be harvested with small numbers Preferably the troublesome bears on the Rocky Mountain front or gardener

#395

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Tunkis

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's extremely important for council members to seriously consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. As human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and the human population. People adversely effected by grizzly bear predatory actions and stock damage will take matters into their own hands in frustration that the authorities willfully refuse to act in accordance with logical and scientifically based manner.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt ,highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permitting a few select bears to be taken in the process, can restore rationality, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the goals of promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species and livestock, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

#396

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Q1

Name (optional):

Neil Nearn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Live and hunt in MT. Grizzly hunting should be allowed. Anti-hunting NGO's should have no say, this is for Montana.

#397

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ken anton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support a managed hunt for Grizzlies.

#398

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Q1

Name (optional):

Hunter

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bears should be managed through hunting and scientific research conducted by the state just like all other predators in the state of Montana.

#399

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bob Rowland

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana grizzlies have entered the time where the science tells us we have enough for a hunting season. We already kill many every year as problem bears. If we allow a season we can start the education of this species that they need to avoid humans, just as we did with the wolf.

The science and past management proves it is time for a Montana Grizzly hunting season.

Thank you for your time.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dennis L Blair

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I hunted the Bob Marshall Wilderness in 2006 for elk and mule deer, haven't taken a mule deer at 8,000 ft, within minutes of approaching the down animal, we had a grizzly approach the kill, eventually had to throw a front quarter to the bear to leave the scene, absolutely no fear of man.

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Will there be a hunting season for grizzly bears in the next 5 year?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jerry McKinley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please work toward opening Grizzly Bear hunting again in Montana. There are plenty of bears now and none have a fear of man. Manage them as any other big game animal, give public hunters an opportunity to harvest an animal they respect and value.

#404

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Deitz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think accepting public comments on Grizzly or any other hunting or fishing topic is a big mistake. Most people who comment are not qualified, nor knowledgeable on the facts, biology, ecosystem issues that regulate hunting or fishing. The council has the numbers on the Grizzly. If that calls for a Grizzly hunt for best population management they should do that. If not, then don't. But do not let public comments guide what should be a science based decision for the best interest of game numbers in the state. The commission should be responsible to the Grizzly - not people who in many cases have no idea of their needs, numbers, or the ecosystems requirements.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Billy Dippel

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Council,

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Sincerely,

B.I. Dippel

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Q1

Name (optional):

Aaron smith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Everything needs managed even grizzly bears

#407

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Sheehan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Sincerely,
Jim Sheehan

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Q1

Name (optional):

Harold Rank

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The facts on this issue are based on scientific research and should be held and reviewed as such. The highly regulated hunt would follow tried and tested hunts throughout the western states and would benefit the local community. This is a good hunt with no negative and would save fish and game money in the depredation issues.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bill Mitchell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Any recommendation that comes out of the GGBAC that does not include hunting as an option is completely unacceptable.

#410

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Q1

Name (optional):

Larry Scheuerman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support a well managed limited Grizzly Bear hunt in Montana. I believe and history verifies that these types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

#411

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Q1

Name (optional):

Owen Walker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please have a grizzly hunt

#412

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ed Hebbe IV

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support hunting and management of grizzly bears in Montana. We have an overabundance of these bears in western Montana and it's time we used this natural resource as it's necessary. These bears are beyond the carrying capacity of their current habitat and we have too many human/bear conflicts and it's only getting worse. They need to be managed like any other big game animal in this state. They are also causing problems for ranchers and land owners in the state and are costing too much.

Thank you.

#413

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Q1

Name (optional):

Darrin ackerman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support grizzly bear hunting as long as it is regulated such as moose!

#414

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow for regulated public hunting as a wildlife management option to manage grizzly bears after they are de-listed from the Endangered Species Act. Also, please do not consider comments about this issue from people that DO NOT LIVE IN MONTANA. During a recent wolf management issue, the FWP Commission ruled in favor of the comments of a bunch of people that don't live in Montana. Please do not make that mistake with the grizzly bear issues. We are the people that live here and have to put up with the danger and restrictions associated with grizzly bears roaming where we live.

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Q1

Name (optional):

George Tidwell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I know you are responsible professionals and believe in the "Scientific Method" to examine our natural world. This method is tried and proven to explore facts not emotions. The quotation from the unknown author at the Old North Church during the 1600 hundreds says it best "avoid loud and boisterous persons for they are vexations to the heart". Follow truth and knowledge. They will never let you down. It is the right thing to do. Mankind has a 400,000 year history of "Fair Chase"including the challenge of hunting the magnificent Grizzly Bear.

#416

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider hunting as the primary management tool to regulate grizzly numbers. Even a limited harvest, as populations allow, would remove the most bold and potentially dangerous bears from the population. Decisions on population level should be made jointly between biologists and other members of the GBA council, and not through any totally political process.

#417

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Q1

Name (optional):

Emmit Baker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the management of Grizzly Bears through the use of hunting.

#418

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bernard Buiting

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Q1

Name (optional):

rick nagle

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have hunted many areas for 55 years .Was around bears often but never had problems. I think now there are too many aggressive bears with no fear of man.A controlled hunt for grizzly bears is a great idea

#421

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is an important heritage in Montana. Hunters pay for wildlife/ bear management and should have the opportunity to harvest bears. States manage wildlife with regulated hunts. The entire point of ESA is to return management to states. Hunting grizzly bear s has to be a part of Montana's future.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steve robertson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Governors grizzly bear counsel, It is about time that we have boots on the ground with a grizzly bear hunt that is fully and highly managed. Montana has had a great success story with the grizzly bear for many years but now numbers are increasing and I'm sure Montana wildlife managers can do a good job of statistically balancing the numbers with an annual hunt. With grizzly bear management we would have better balance in the ecosystem with less encounters with bears, and especially problem bears. It is time for more professional control of these magnificent creatures to keep their numbers from decline also. The Bears would have a little more fear of man. In a hunt I would prefer to hunt older out of their prime, grumpy old male bears with canines falling out that do not look for female companionship. But that may not always be the choice in an actual Hunt.

If I am not correct as in a lot of species the top dog grizzly bear male will do most of the breeding as well as for instance the top dog Big Horn ram does the breeding. the other males know who the top breeder is because they did not want to fight him. Ask Dr. Jonkel The bear man this question for sure.

Sincerely, Steve Robertson BS biology, nurse, hunter

#423

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Q1

Name (optional):

Leo Soucy

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly population is way out of balance with the number of outdoor enthusiasts. How many does the state need before one kills a child or 3? The predator populations are way out of balance with the rest of Montana wildlife. Do you really want the Moose to be extinct. They are close to Extinction in some areas of the state. Unacceptable. The state needs to open up hunting them and take at least 30 bears a year through a draw. It's either that I, or have the feds come in balance the population for the people. Being pressured into anti-balance policies by big \$ activists....is bad for the states wildlife and in the end even bad for the predators. They lose in the end. When is it time to say when? When it's too late? The time is now. How many people need to get mauled by grizzlies before the state stops bowing down to anti balance activists. Those groups have plenty of bears and wolves in both national parks. That's enough. Wake up and do something.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Vicki

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need a grizzly bear season. There are too many.

#426

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Q1

Name (optional):

KEN WEBER

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a Canadian and a few years ago they took the Grizzly bear hunt away from British Columbia.
The anti hunters put the pressure on the government, saying there were not many bears.
The truth was there at that time were 15000 grizzly bears in British Columbia.
Now a days there are more bears killed by farmers, ranchers and in self defense then what legal hunters ever harvested.
Please don't make the mistake that British Columbia did.
Talk to the people that live and work around these bears all year around.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lee Miller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is the best way to help control populations of wildlife with biologist setting seasons and limits .Also there is a lot revenue brought in by hunters

#428

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tim

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To Whom It May Concern

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Thank you. Tim

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Mershon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Managment of Grizzly bears in Montana needs to be done through advise from the biologist working in the field. Our bear populations are at sustainable levels and over the objectives set for recovery. They need to be removed from ESA protections and into state management.

#430

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paula

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Sir/Madam,

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Respectfully, Paula

#431

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please give thoughtful consideration to properly managing our bear and wolves!

#432

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Q1

Name (optional):

Marc Martel

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do the right thing and approve a hunting season for Grizzly Bear ASAP.

#433

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Q1

Name (optional):

Justin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Council Members,

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The proper studies should be accomplished and if the numbers indicate management would be improved with some select grizzly bear hunts then it should be enacted. It would be good for the bears and the humans.

#435

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alan Pfeifer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe the decision to hunt grizzly bears should be decided by fwp. And population by the people who live and know the areas not by someone in California or some other state. Hunting is the best method for controlling wildlife populations and protecting wildlife.

#436

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nate

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hello,

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Thanks for your consideration,
Nate

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Q1

Name (optional):

C. Mitchell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting needs to be allowed to control these apex predators.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Andrew

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need a Hunting season for Grizzlies here in Montana. They have expanded their range, recoverd well and are moving out on the plains and ranches on a regular basis. They are showing up in area grazing allotments here in Southwest Mt. Please consider an appropriate season for a harvest.

#439

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nolan Barbisan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There needs to be a managed hunt of these bears for their own sustainability, hunters safety, other outdoors peoples safety, and to generate revenue for the state. If they are not managed properly they will have a major negative impact as the mismanagement of the wolves caused and they will be viewed the same as the wolves as well. If they are managed properly the Bears being hunted will not be at the top of the food chain and will also be more respectful to hunters and hikers alike. It will create great revenue for Montana fish wildlife and parks to hold drawings and allow non-residents and residents of like to pursue this animal in the lower 48 states given the current situation of banning nonresident hunters and people buying fewer tags this year this would encourage higher profit ability and sales leading to being able to study the Bears better than ever before.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is long overdue for a limited, well regulated hunting season on the NCDE and GYE Grizzly. The recovery goal set through the Endangered Species Act for the Greater Yellowstone Area is 500 bears. They have far surpassed that number. Now around 800. Extremism from both points of view will be the downfall of the species.

#441

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider implementing grizzly hunting as a management tool for grizzly populations. With the expanding state population and increasing bear numbers management tools that are an effective use of the states resources are needed and hunting is one of the best management tools from a cost perspective available. It is also allowing sportsmen the chance to harvest a resource of the state.

#442

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open season on Grizzlies. As ethical hunters none of us want them extinct but we need to properly manage bears as we do all other prey. They do tremendous damage to elk and deer calf's s as md in return our deer and elk numbers aren't as strong as they used to be. Predators have been managed forever until recently now prey numbers are taking a huge hit. Please open season to help manage this over populated species, help deer and elk herds, and bring more revenue to the state

#443

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Name (optional):

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bill Burrier

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please manage the grizzly population. Letting an apex predator run unchecked is not a valid management plan.

Thank you,
Bill Burrier

#445

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rick Evans

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow Grizzly hunting, it's getting unsafe for our families to camp and recreate in the woods.

#446

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Properly conducted predator hunts including wolves and grizzly bears are essential to maintain proper balance.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brian Winot

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There is only 1 way to effectively manage grizzly bears or any other wild animal.....regulated hunting.

#448

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melissa Uchtyl

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow lottery bear hunts. I feel this is best for all brings in revenue to the state as well.

#449

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please strongly consider allowing grizzly bear hunts. Depredation is increasing, attacks of grizzlies on hunters/hikers/campers have increased. Most importantly, the grizzly bear has recovered from its near extinction. As such, it is a state resource that needs to be managed by the state. The most effective way to do that is through hunting. Please do not allow politics or special interest environmental groups to sway this crucial decision. Many other Inter mountain states are looking to you to set the example for the future of bear conservation through hunting.

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I live and hunt around and in the cabinet mountains. I believe hunting the Grizzlies is becoming a necessary management tool for our immediate region. Also areas around Yellowstone and glacier could definitely use a hunting season to help keep the population level reasonable.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan Fong

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly management should be returned to the states in which they reside. Local game and fish are much more knowledgeable and equipped to make good decisions to manage these populations. They can and should be hunted, to ensure healthy populations and bring in valuable conservation dollars through tag purchases.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow hunting for Grizzly bears in the state of Montana. Evidence proves that there is a large enough population of bears to allow some to be harvested.

#453

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Q1

Name (optional):

Concerned Montanan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider allowing lottery hunts for grizzlies in montana, I am concerned with the increasing population and range of the bears outside of national park boundaries confrontations will also continue to rise. We need to start managing the growing population. If you leave the impression that you aren't willing to compromise or manage them in a legal way I'm afraid people will get fed up and shoot if they get the chance, legal or not. FWP needs to Stand up for Montanan's for once, throw out all the out of state extremist banter and do whats best for Montana.

#454

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Stingl

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Let the Montana FWP regulate the Grizzly Bear population through strictly controlled hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

John MacDonald

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I urge the Council to consider the views of the ranchers and hunters who actually utilize areas with grizzly populations. Since these individuals are on the front lines of interaction with bears, their voices should trump those voices that do not actually interact with bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Krzan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe by hunting grizzly bears this would reduce grizzly bear and human confrontations.

#457

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Snell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have lived here in the Flathead valley all my life,(69 years).I have been active outdoors with exploring, Hunting, fishing ect. I have never seen so many Grizzly bears as I have the last few years and they are not concerned about humans around them anymore. I spend a lot of time in the North Fork and seems I see way more grizzlies than moose anymore. The deer, elk and moose populations there have almost disappeared but grizzly sightings are the highest I have ever seen. I have quit buying a Montana hunting licence for years now as the hunting is the worst I have ever seen. Until the State gets a handle on the predator problems it has created I find no reason to support it by buying a hunting licence. I do hunt in Alaska. Wish my grandkids could experience the old Montana hunting before the collage boys destroyed it.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Pat Sreenan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bear populations are out of control.
Please allow controlled managed hunting to control populations.

Sincerely

Pat

#459

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dr. Jane Gillette

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The science-based presentations by Larry Van Daele and Garth Mowat during the April 9th meeting produced hard-to-refute realities and evidence that carefully regulated hunting poses no threat to grizzly bear populations. In fact, Garth found that hunting "does generate increased reproduction and cub survival".

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support immediate hunting season after they are delisted

#461

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support the use of science, and the recommendations of our state wildlife biologists in managing grizzly bear populations.

#462

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Q1

Name (optional):

DJ Rankosky

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The NCDE is full! There is a reason these creatures are spilling out onto the wheat stubble. The bucket is full! Time to delist. Start a hunting season. Limited tags of course. 1 tag should be auctioned for funding to go to monitoring and studying.

#463

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joe Runde

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm an avid outdoorsman. I spend 70-120 days playing in the mountains each year. Grizzly bears are getting out of control in some parts of our great state. For me there are 2 areas in particular that I get concerned. The first being anything on the out skirts of the Bob Marshall, I don't have means to access the interior. I bear hunt around there in the spring and see multiple bears every day but 3 of 4 are Grizzly bears. In the past 4 years I've seen multiple sows with triplets and by multiple I mean sows with triplets that are over 40 miles apart as the crow flies. I e also had numerous occasions where a griz felt safe enough to get in bear spray range and threaten me even though I try to avoid them. That is a problem. Second area is the Gravely/Snowcrest/Madison mountain ranges similar activity for me but I haven't seen all the triplets. I don't want to get rid of the griz but we do need a hunting season on them. The numbers are growing and they feel as though they are the top of the food chain which puts all people in their path at risk of losing their life. It's not like the bears in Alaska that run when they figure out you're there, ours come investigating which is extremely dangerous especially for tourists that don't know what to do. We need a limited entry season in griz dense areas and as they populate in new areas we need to be adding seasons there as well.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Herz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Manage wildlife no feelings. Use science not heart strings.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Todd Kupferer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please come up with a comprehensive plan to manage Grizzlies in Montana through hunting.

#466

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom walker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The game department is already culling bears. It only seems reasonable to get sportsman involved.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Foster

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Let the scientists do there job and allow a limited grizzly bear hunt on specific areas or bears. This is a eco system decision not an extinction issue

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

OUTSIDE INTERESTS HAVE NO BUSINESS TELLING MONTANA WHAT TO DO....THEY DO NOT LIVE OR WORK HERE. I AM A HUNTING GUIDE. I SEE BEARS ALL THE TIME. NEARING TOO MANY GRIZ, FOR THEM TO BE HEALTHY IN THEIR ECOSYSTEM. WOLVES ARE THE WRONG SPECIES ALL-TOGETHER...MONTANA FWP HAS FAILED MONTANA, MISERABLY UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF A DEMOCRATIC GOVERNOR. HE HAS BEEN BOUGHT AND PAID FOR, BY THESE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS...PATHETIC!!!!!!
SO GLAD BULLOCK IS GONE THIS YEAR!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Lee

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

All predators should be managed and hunting is a great way to do it

#470

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Q1

Name (optional):

Allison Drake

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support a hunting season for grizzly bears. FWP does an excellent job of using data on numbers of animals in different areas to set quotas for sustainable hunting.

#471

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert James Lowe

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's well past time for a grizzly season. Numbers are strong and growing, bears are spreading their territory, it's a great management tool and a great opportunity for sportsman.

#472

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lavon Winkler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rob Ware

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steve Kuchinsky

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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- A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.
- Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.
- The fundamental component FWP would use in setting grizzly bear hunting seasons is an adaptive management structure. This was recommended as part of the wolf management plan and would be an ideal specific recommendation for the council to proffer in the Final Report Recommendations.
- The science-based presentations by Larry Van Daele and Garth Mowat during the April 9th meeting produced hard-to-refute realities and evidence that carefully regulated hunting poses no threat to grizzly bear populations. In fact, Garth found that hunting "does generate increased reproduction and cub survival".
- Hunting lives large across all of Montana, is deeply embedded in our customs and culture and is rooted in our State Constitution - Article IX. Section 7. Preservation of harvest heritage. "The opportunity to harvest wild fish and wild game animals is a heritage that shall forever be preserved to the individual citizens of the state and does not create a right to trespass on private property or diminution of other private rights."
Grizzly Bear encounters have been increasing, not only in the wild, but now on farms, ranches and even on the outskirts of Montana's small towns. Also increasing, are the demands that farmers, ranchers and residents of these small towns learn to live with grizzlies, accept livestock losses as part of the "new norm" and for families to just simply stay indoors more.
- The anti-hunting and environmental organizations want to place all the burden of Grizzly depredation on Montana's tax payers, recreationists and ag producers. The grizzly population has substantially increased over the last 3-decades. Additionally, and more unfortunate, has been the long string of lawsuits each time the grizzly is considered for delisting.
- Serious consideration of federal delisting and a return to state management is beyond due. Montanans should address this issue and a grizzly hunting season should be at the forefront. The anti-hunting/environmental groups use emotion to lead the charge against hunting with a chorus of "extinction, unsustainable populations and the bears belong on the landscape first".
- History and facts side with managed hunting when it comes to sustaining a healthy population of the species. The facts often overlooked in managed hunting include revenue generation for the agency (MT FW&P) for continued studies of bears, their habitat and their population.
- Delisting the Grizzly bear and incorporating a managed grizzly hunting season does not mean unlimited hunting tags and a return to a near extinction. Based on research by the agency's biologists, reasonable hunting quotas are always established to ensure a future healthy and huntable population without reducing the bear population into unsustainable numbers.
- There is no sound reason why agency biologists, hunters, ag producers and the public shouldn't move towards removing Grizzly bears from the endangered species list. The economic loss by livestock producers from depredation in Montana is putting local rural communities at risk and the increased population of Grizzly bears have continued to cause more and more human conflicts with human safety as a major concern in many areas of Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert winn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

All wildlife needs to be managed. I fully support MT in its efforts to manage all wildlife. Hunting is a vital source of revenue and an extremely effect tool for managing wildlife populations. As a result I strongly encourage MT to use hunting to manage the bear populations at appropriate levels!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lowell Engle

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is conservation. Anyone who thinks otherwise has likely not studied the American conservation model and its successes. Please open up hunting opportunities for the benefit of hunters and grizzlies alike... before another mauling happens and you have that on your conscience.

#477

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ben Montgomery

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the use of sound science when managing our bear - and all wildlife - populations. FWP does an excellent job of providing and working within sound science. Support our state biologists. Let them do their jobs and do not let the political interests of out-of-state special interest groups govern our wildlife management in this great state. Thank you for the opportunity to comment and I would be happy to discuss and support my position at any time. Thanks FWP! Keep up the great work.

-Ben

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time to delist the grizzly bear
There are enough bears getting to trouble and the sportsmen can help with that,plus working with ranchers to help with a problem.
Montana needs hunting it is a way of life for many a family....and food for the table !
Those who are protesting don't have worry about food .
They have come from someplace else and don't know about true life in Montana

#479

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matthew j oehler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

as a 13 year resident of southwest Montana I have personally encountered grizzled bears on 3 occasions while recreating. I feel that they have reestablished a solid population base that is worth managing. Please pursue a good balance of maintaining a good population at a controlled level.

#481

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joshua Persinger

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would like to see hunting utilized as a tool to control population. I spend alot of time in the outdoors in both the northwest and southwest portion of the state. Grizzly bear encounters are common and I dont believe that they should be considered threatened or endangered near Glacier or Yellowstone parks

#482

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Brinley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I hope that you vote for the grizzly bear hutch in Montana and the reason being is that almost every animal and mammal in the world is regulated so why can't grizzlies be controlled the same way.

#483

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Time to take control of the problem. We need to balance the predator animals. The Ranchers are loosing way to many animals over Bear kills.

#484

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Q1

Name (optional):

garth olds

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A legal auction for two annual tags would raise one hundred thousand dollars for habitat protection and FWP targeted goals. Large tracks of ground are disappearing fast in this state and if we are truly going to protect wildlife then we need to conserve what is left or we will simply overrun all wildlife with subdivisions and ranchetes.

#485

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Molstad

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dale Roethemeyer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please let proper wildlife management play a role in your decision. Hunters have been the true conservationist with the fullest respect for wildlife. Respectively. Dale Roethemeyer

#487

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dennis Bradshaw

Q3

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts. Let the Montana wildlife experts manage this grizzly bear resource.....not people who have no expertise in the management of wildlife.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lou Horvath

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As regards to the Grizzly Bear situation, please let the proven facts and scientific evidence guide you in making your decision. Emotions have no place in decisions such as this. Please do what is right for the parties directly involved and impacted by this situation. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The population has rebounded and its time to start managing them.

#490

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brad Shultz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

PLEASE! Management of grizzly bears are very much needed! We need to have a hunting season as soon as possible. Thanks

#491

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ross Mickey

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Grizzly bear population needs to controlled through hunting and the Wolf also

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nate Messer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Time to delist them and allow limited harvest of the nuisance bears. Need to start imprinting some fear into them so we can possibly limit bear human conflicts going forward.

#493

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a resident of Alberta Canada which saw the termination of Grizzley bear hunt both in this province and British Columbia for politically motivated reasons versus science based information. In Alberta the bears are negatively impacting ungulate populations and increased numbers are seeing bears moving from the western boreal regions into fringe agricultural/ranching lands. Biologists in personal communication would recommend a management hunt but no elected government will venture into this area fearing public which is mainly urban reprisal. In short do every thing you can to defend a science based management program as trying to reinstitute such a program latter may be monumentally more difficult.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russel Wandler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is a true recovery story. This animal is now overpopulated, and management would be good for the species at this time.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cayman Fabian

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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I strongly support the regulated hunting of Grizzly Bears and urge you to push this forward.

Best regards,
Cayman V Fabian

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Q1

Name (optional):

Leann

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please, for the love, allow hunters to help regulate the rapidly growing grizzly population. Doing so would help cull degradation costs and, more importantly, help prevent deadly attacks on both humans and livestock.

Sincerely,
Leann Clarke

#498

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joseph Haas

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzlies in the NCDE are FAR above target levels set for recovery. Additionally, their growth rate is extraordinary and they are moving east from the Rocky Mountains to re-colonize their former range. They are doing this because they've outgrown the capacity of the wild mountain lands in western MT. De-listing these bears and allowing hunting is the only way to manage them. People are tired of the tactics of these environmental/animal rights extremists who are inherently an anti-human, communist cabal utilizing all tools to bully their way including obstruct in courts, data fabrication, intimidate through all available channels. The state needs to manage the grizzly bears able to utilize all available tools including hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan Gillette

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time for the management of grizzly Bears to be turned over to state agencies. It is something that had been agreed upon and shouldn't be in the hands of the court system.

#500

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Q1

Name (optional):

Edwin Johnson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a Montana Outfitter outside Gardiner . We have had three clients mauled by Grizzlies since 1996. We have been having more encounters with Grizzly bears each year. Grizzly numbers are rising and they are getting more aggressive. They are developing less and less respect for the human scent. We need to start hunting them so they will learn to move away from the human scent rather than follow it as some of them now do. It is becoming a serious human health and safety issue. Grizzlies are no longer endangered. Their numbers in Yellowstone Park exceed the original recovery goals. If Fish,Wildlife. & Parks supports hunters and their safety in the field we need to begin hunting Grizzlies now

Edwin Johnson
Gardiner, Montana 59030

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charles D Smith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears should be managed by FWP in the same way all other game species are. It is no more complicated than that. Kindest Regards.

#502

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nancy Ryan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Advisory Council members....it is essential that we have managed grizzly bear hunting in Montana. Left unchecked, grizzly bears will continue to populate and threaten human life like they have done for many years here in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gary Evans

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am in support of de-listing Grizzly bears and the opening of a grizzly bear hunting season.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Scott Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please don't let emotion cloud the judgement of this council. Effective management of all animal species is critical to maintaining the delicate balance required. Selective hunting affords extra revenue through hunting tags or a lottery system. This additional revenue can be utilized to study and protect additional species for the good of the entire state. Please consider wisely and opt for the limited hunting of these grizzlies. Thank you.

#505

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Q1

Name (optional):

Terry & Angie Search

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The wolves are taking food away from the Grizzlies and this forces them to leave them to come closer to towns/people. I feel the wolves are the problem Thank you all for your time.

#507

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tim Viano

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If you care about Montana's and our way of life you will take action and delist the grizzly.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are an essential part of the American landscape and has reached the proposed objectives to be removed from protection. A well regulated season would reduce human/bear conflicts and draw revenue for the Fwp.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Karl tallent

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to come to a conclusion where the bear and hunter / outdoorsy people can both be safe, a season in some areas in Montana would definitely help

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider a managed hunting hunting season. This endeavor would put in place true management thru hunting and create jobs and income for businesses and state government. As it is now, many grizzles bears are eliminated by government agencies providing no income. With the conservation of hunting, the problem bears would be removed and the remaining population would be educated. Then living in bear country one would not be afraid to take your grand kids fishing or hunting or letting your wife take a walk in the evening on land one owns. To be afraid to on walk on your own deeded property because of grizzles bear is taking away your constitutional rights.

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Name (optional):

Charles Morgan

Q3

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Sincerely,

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ed

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunt the damn things!

#513

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Q1

Name (optional):

William

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

These animals need to be managed. There are too many grizzly bears are they are having a big impact on other animal populations.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Daniel Jackson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As with so many wildlife animals it is very important that, we manage populations with the best science and also to celebrate our successes ie. Grizzly bear numbers. It has proven true over and over that sportsman and women want what is best for the animals. And that includes maintaining populations that can be supported by the land yet reduce negative interaction with vehicle and people. That being said, it has been well proven that a well managed hunting season/harvest can be the best management tool available. Sportsman have and continue to bell the strongest advocates and financial supporters of our wild lands.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Austin Atkinson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support fair chase hunting within a management plan for grizzly bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russell Kelly

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is conservation. Grizzly bear populations are up and have documented negative interactions with humans and livestock . A well regulated hunting season is necessary to mitigate these problems and ensure a healthy bear population with the added benefit of generating much needed funding. Bear populations should be regulated by science and not feelings and emotions. Thank you, Dr. Russell Kelly

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies should be managed like all other game animals in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dave Mumby

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To the grizzly bear advisory council. A season on grizzly bears is long over du. I think the best way to do it is by selling an unlimited number of tags and let every one have a chance at a grizzly. You can do this by setting a number of how many bears can be taken from around the state. when that number is reached no mater how the bears met there demise close the season. Here is how it would work. Say the set number is ten bears. Hunters harvest seven. Stock men kill two and one is hit by a train that equals ten and the season ends right there. When the season was stoped in the eighty's this was the methide used and there were still enough grizzly bears to hunt even after the season was underhandly halted. There are more grizzly's now so it is my opinion a season on grizzly's was over du a long time a go. Thank you Dave Mumby.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are now at a sustainable population. The bears should be hunted in a limited quota drawing. This would increase revenue for the state and provide the opportunity for a limited number of hunters to harvest a dream animal.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please use use modern wildlife management models to determine opening hunting of grizzlies. The North American model is the gold standard the world over. Anti NGO' s do not help wildlife, they simply continue to help themselves. The grizzly has recovered because of proper management. Please don stop now. Let science decide how many should be harvested. Regards Captain Robert Bryan

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jessi

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please use the proven science for the management of Montana's Grizzly population, and not the emotional ramblings of people who do not or refuse to understand the reasoning for said management. Science over emotion.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Arty Bolotas

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Time to hunt and control the population

#523

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dale Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The council should consider controlled grizzly bear hunts

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Q1

Name (optional):

Frank Johnson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is well past the point in time when Grizzly Bears should have been de-listed by the USFWS and returned to management by Montana. And indeed they have been. But sound science has been trumped by "preservationists groups" (who want we humans to completely abandon the landscape) & activist judges. A pox on both groups!

Increasing Grizzly encounters with humans are occurring both East and West of the Divide. We've lived eight miles West of Kalispell for 20 years and learned to live with deer, elk, black bears, wild turkeys, red fox, skunks, coyotes and the occasional wolves. We've had a Griz sow and her cubs in the area for the past three years. Thankfully, there've been no incidents of which I'm aware.

The briefings to the Council on April 9th by Larry Van Daele and Garth Mowat presented realities and evidence that regulated hunting planned and controlled by Montana FWP poses no threat to grizzly bear populations. Indeed it will likely enhance our Grizzly population.

It's not only past time for the State to regain management responsibility for the Great Bear; it's also time for Montanans to hunt them as we hunt other big game animals. FWP knows how to manage hunting big game critters and insure their population benefits and isn't debilitated. I urge you to support delisting both the Yellowstone & NCDE Grizzly sub-populations AND Montanan's managed hunting of the Grizzly.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Andrew Sump

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana needs grizzly bear management/conservation through providing individuals the opportunity to pursue them via hunting.

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Name (optional):

Matt Perchick

Q3

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Sincerely,
Matthew Perchick

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Q1

Name (optional):

CJ

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Just like coronavirus, the science is the key. Follow the statistics and science. Not the bleeding hearts of anti hunters who obviously don't understand conservation, wildlife science, or that hunting is sound wildlife management.

#528

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cory Creighton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please remember that bear management is made up of several strategies. One important one for bears is to try to create strategic hunting pressures to keep them away from populated areas where they can quickly become dangerous garbage bears. They are scavengers for the easiest path to calories by nature.

Please look to the models we can learn from from our neighbors to the north in Alaska for science based management that can help find a balance between humans and our extraordinary animal friends which requires management through hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Cooke

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a Montanan and a hunter, and have no interest in hunting grizzly bears. That said, I think Montana should use hunting to manage bear populations and to generate revenues for FWP. Additionally, my understanding is that the very act of hunting bears will cause them to shun human contact, reducing grizzly/human encounters. I am at the point of being fearful to bow hunt - even worried to hike and camp - in many areas in Montana because of the grizzly bear populations.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bear like all wildlife management decisions should be based upon scientific data to include population density, carrying capacity and affects upon associated local wildlife/prey species and human populations. Wildlife management decisions should not be based upon public opinion or at the ballot box. Once the Grizzly population meets scientifically derived numbers for recovery, they should be managed like any other game species to include an available hunting quota.

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Q1

Name (optional):

John B

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not give the grizzly more ground than it has already.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cyndie Fox

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council has been flooded with no hunting of NGO's/anti-hunting and animal rights activists on the FWP comment page.

We are asking for YOU supporting hunting asap before their meeting on Friday.

THE LINK IS

<http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/grizzlyBear/gbacComments.html>

Here is an example of a response.

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I have copied verbatim this message fro Jeremy Maus, pres of SW montana Chapter of SCI as I agree with the points he has very eloquently put together concerning this issue

Sincerely,

Cyndie Fox

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Name (optional):

James Vastbinder

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is in the best interest for grizzly bears and the general public in Montana to institute a grizzly bear hunting season with a limited draw or quota system to harvest enough bears from each area to reach legitimate population goals. Grizzly numbers have far exceeded recovery goals. Excessive numbers in limited suitable habitat have pushed bears from wilderness habitat are now placing human lives at risk and a fiscal burden on the state and the USFWS Bear management. The extra manpower and equipment is placing a fiscal burden on taxpayers. The budgets of MTFW&P are to be used for improvement and management of our natural resources not paying the salary of bear management teams. Diversion of law enforcement and wardens to haze, hunt, and trap bears is not in the best interest of the people of Montana or tourism. Hunting grizzly bears will bring back a natural fear of man and help prevent dangerous human-bear encounters. Livestock loss to grizzly bears is another major problem as is the loss compensation being paid by taxpayers, and conservation license holders. That revenue being spent to compensate ranchers losses would be better utilized to improve public access and other conservation programs. At present, in excess of a dozen bears are being wasted and costing hundreds of thousands of dollars when those bears could be taken by hunters and generating money instead of wasting it. Please do the right thing for human and grizzly's. Open a fall season with limited tag numbers and start building a proper management program to maintain grizzly numbers in a responsible manner.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Shirley Ruane

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are beautiful animals and a part of Montana heritage. Control of the occasional random grizzly that is on private land and killing should be shot by land owners. Right to protect their land and family. A hunt just for sport and pleasure is cruel and unnecessary.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charle Overstreet

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A carefully monitored Grizzly Bear hunt is necessary. This animal had no naturel enemies for population control. This increase in Grizzly will lead to increased human/bear events. This not a desirable situation.

#536

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan Hughes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

All stable populations should be hunted

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan Fox

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear management plan had a carrying capacity number that has been far exceeded by 4-10 fold. The animal extremists file a lawsuit every time when a management plan of hunting is planed. Not based on science and carrying capacity of the habitat but based on emotion. It is time to manage the renewable resource with science.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stephen Eric Krasa, DVM

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Council,

Please know and understand that it is of the utmost importance that the Grizzly Bear Advisory Council members consider a managed Montana Grizzly Bear hunt and not be allowed to be run by mob rule.

With increasing bear mortalities and more importantly human-bear conflicts continuing to rise we simply cannot continue as we have in the past. This is not what are citizens and those of us who hunt in Montana's outdoors care to deal with. The proposed hunt is one that is both highly regulated and one that only a few bears will be taken. This is not the wholesale slaughter of a species as the animal rights community suggests. You know that.

Please involve the hunting community in the decision process. Montana's wildlife needs more shareholders involved at all levels, not just the extreme anti-hunting community. Thank you for your consideration.

Regards,

S. Eric Krasa, DVM

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lynn Betts

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly is recovered. That should be cause for celebration. Now is the time to manage the bear through sustainable sport hunting. I urge the council to heed the biology and authorize a hunt. Though everyone deserves to be heard I would hope the council understands that to many organizations opposing this action are in many instances are opposed to any management, which is unfeasible. Please do what is right and manage this game animal.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not let anti-hunters and out of stater tell you to not put management on these animals. They are a problem in alot of areas do to over populating.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Listen to the experts

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Q1

Name (optional):

Randy Wade

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies have made a huge comeback from years ago, I believe it us time to listen to your biologists and harvest a few bears. Taking in concern your problem areas. No bear to me is worth a human life, it's time to have a season.

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Name (optional):

Amo R DeBernardis

Q3

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Having been a resident of this state when Grizzlies were still being hunted and having seen the restoration of these animals it is time to return to smart and balanced approach to control of an out of control population. This only makes sense as the increase in human bear encounters are going to continue to rise unless the bear is educated about humans as a threat like in the case of the black bear in our state

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Q1

Name (optional):

Howard Mee

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would like you to support regulated fair chase hunting of grizzly bear here in Montana. I would be more than willing to share more thoughts and opinions if needed. Thank you!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Smith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It would be incredible if for a change you people would base the decision of a hunt on biology, facts, and recognition of problems when determining a hunt rather than a bunch of letters from the bleeding hearts who don't agree with any sort of hunting but realize they can control this one with lies and manipulation!

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Name (optional):

Michael Gullette

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to have a hunting season on the grizzly bears in Montana. There population is expanding and there is more and more conflicts. They need to be managed..

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike strnad

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I trust the wardens in the field. They are the ones responding to calls, out in the bear areas all the time actually seeing the situation and numbers more than any hunters or activists. They should be listened to more and their opinions taken into consideration more than a lot.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mark Carrier

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think that by way of conservation is the only way to Manage wildlife and keep it healthy. Hunting is a major part of that it was the hunting dollars only helps the animals themselves.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dr. Brenda Chapman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

When there are no natural predators for an introduced or re-introduced species, it must be up to the biologists in the State to promote controlled hunts for the safety of the public, safety of the rancher's herds, and for the sustainability of a healthy population of bear. Overpopulation is a recipe for disease, negative human/bear interactions, and problem bears in populated areas and ranches.

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Q1

Name (optional):

brad lencioni

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would recommend having a grizzly bear hunting season. I truly believe the grizzly population is doing very well and warrants a hunting season. Thank You Please fight hard for our privilege to hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joel Leiser

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

How many more attacks need to happen before they will be managed properly?

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rob

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Enough! Of the bleeding and tears acts.

There are plenty of surplus bears.

Bears who are filling the available habitat to their own detriment.

Grizzley bears can and should have a hunting season!

Sportsman are discriminated against.

End of story

#553

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Name (optional):

Alan E.

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Thomas Lowe

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies are loosing their natural fear of humans, creating a true safety issue for those of us hunting Wyoming. Hunting these bears in reasonable

Numbers will raise \$ to help

maintain the existing populations and reduce bears that need to be euthanized by the FWP. I hope you will consider allowing hunting for the benefit of the bears, hunters, and the wildlife funding budget. Thanks.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Talyn Miller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open the season for drizzly bear hunting. The population is healthy and growing quickly. They are spreading to places we haven't seen them in 100 years. Farmers and ranchers are having to deal with them more and more and the bears die because they eat livestock. But what do we expect that these bears can differentiate between a cow and an elk??

We need to open this up now. They need to be educated and learn respect for humans and livestock. Bear attacks are going through the roof because they dont have predators and they know that. Opening a drizzly season in Montana would boost our economy. We would be bringing in out of state funds by the thousand to FWP for tag cost, to guides who will be required to lead out of state hunts for Grizzlies, I am sure. Also to the state government in taxes through all sorts of business that these people utilize and touch.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Craig V

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please support a proposed grizzly bear hunt based on science and facts of biologists to properly manage the bear population.

#557

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

With the ever growing population of the grizzlies their territories are overlapping into cities and towns causing dangerous situations for both the grizzlies and the people.

#558

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Q3
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Open and maintain a hunt.. it's not politics, it governing and management

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Q1

Name (optional):

Texas MacDonald

Q3

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Preserve these iconic animals for future generations

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a very hardworking and dedicated hunter, I would love nothing more than to see a season in Montana for grizzlies, even if it is short with limited tags. It would be a start. I hunt in and around the Bob Marshall a lot, and I am disturbed at the growing amount of bears in that area along with shrinking elk numbers. I have seen more grizzlies than elk on my last 5-6 hunts in the Bob, including seeing as many as 5 at once. The valley I've hunted for 13 years used to be ringing with bugles every fall, but now all I see is bears and bear sign everywhere. Please consider opening a season. Thank you

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan G

Q3

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Grizzlies need to be hunted. They have no fear of humans anymore. The moment we start hunting them they will realize people are dangerous and try and avoid us whenever possible. If the anti hunters don't understand that then they are ignorant idiots who likely have no knowledge of the animal world. Taking their opinions is not a reasonable thing to do when you know the right answer. Do your jobs and make this happen.

#563

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeff Nicholas

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe in hunting as an important tool in species conservation and management. Human/animal conflict is on the rise globally and here at home. We must continue to scientifically manage species populations with legal, controlled and ethical hunting.

#564

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ryan G

Q3

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I also have heard they are carriers of covid 19 and they pose a huge health risk to America we should definitely kill them to flatten the curve

#565

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Parker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Do not let wildlife management decisions be influenced by those who quote feelings and emotions in their quest for change. If there is a population surplus that can sustain a hunt then there should be no problem.

#566

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bonita H. Smith

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jack

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

From BC Canada here. Just wanted to give an update after they banned the grizzly hunt here we had one fatal killing of a human by grizzly and several attacks. Grizzly are moving west towards the coast as they always have to eat black bear.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Don Thompson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's about time to delist grizzly bears.

There numbers are growing the bears are showing up in habitats they haven't been in many years. I believe FWP has done a good job on managing Montanas other wildlife. Grizzly bears are no different than elk or deer.

And Hunting is a valuable tool in managing wildlife.

Thank you Don Thompson

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ed Stoddard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I live in nw montana and have to live in and around Grizzlies would love to have the chance to hunt and help manage the bears. It has become hard to walk out of the house and not worry about being face to face let alone have my kids go outside in the dark. Thank you for reading this and following through with some kind of action.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike Lang

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

- As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans. A human life is above the life on a grizzly bear.
 - The fundamental component FWP would use in setting grizzly bear hunting seasons is an adaptive management structure. This was recommended as part of the wolf management plan and would be an ideal specific recommendation for the council to proffer in the Final Report Recommendations.
 - The science-based presentations by Larry Van Daele and Garth Mowat during the April 9th meeting produced hard-to-refute realities and evidence that carefully regulated hunting poses no threat to grizzly bear populations. In fact, Garth found that hunting "does generate increased reproduction and cub survival".
 - Serious consideration of federal delisting and a return to state management is beyond due. Montanans should address this issue and a grizzly hunting season should be at the forefront.
 - There is no sound reason why agency biologists, hunters, ag producers and the public shouldn't move towards removing Grizzly bears from the endangered species list. The economic loss by livestock producers from depredation in Montana is putting local rural communities at risk and the increased population of Grizzly bears have continued to cause more and more human conflicts with human safety as a major concern in many areas of Montana.
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Q1

Name (optional):

Mark Stahl

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please don't let a lot of antihunters advise you on your bear control program. Montana is my favorite place to hunt. While I personally have seen two grizzlies while hunting, I don't have any desire to hunt one. But I feel they have to be in check or you will have problems. If someone wants to hunt one and you offer tags the money goes to fund more wildlife. Antihunters don't put a drop of money into wildlife habitat. Sportsman are the funding backbone of states programs to support wildlife. I live in Washington state only because my wife won't move to Montana. So if you don't want to listen to me I understand. Don't let people who have no stake in Montana and the programs you have in place try to influence you by saying Grizzlies need protected. While I have only seen two, I have seen a lot of sign. Please allow hunting of the grizzlies to keep them in check and protect the herds. Thank You

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Q1

Name (optional):

Len Dickinson

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Aaron

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow for the healthy harvest of Grizzly Bears, so that Montanans can help manage healthy Predator populations as well as help deer and elk populations grow.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brandon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

With the high concentration of population and acceptable ability to understand and manage population it is well within the interest of conservation and the population to manage and harvest these animal , our an opportunity to do so.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steven McMahon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are iconic big game animals that need to be managed. Legal, regulated hunting is be far the best method of ensuring the future of such an iconic animal.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Max Hammond

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please DO NOT cater to anti hunting groups and radical activists. Please follow sound science and provide the opportunity for grizzly bear hunting. There are many hunting opportunities for many species and grizzly bears should be no different. Hunters support management principles that promote the abundance of wildlife and wildlife opportunities for viewing and hunting. Please do not cater to the activist anti hunting groups and open hunting opportunities for grizzly bear through a managed & regulated process. Thank you in advance.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gary

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear population is well established in western Montana. For forty years I have picked berries in these woods and only in the last three years have I seen grizzly. They are to the point that we need to control their numbers. If we don't we will have encounters that will not be favorable for man or bear. They have always avoided man in the past. Hunting them for a short season is a sound idea.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jerry M

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is the only intelligent way to save the bears.

#579

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

GYE Grizzly Bears need to be removed from ESA protections and handed over to state management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

AG

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The private (hunters) sector care more about the servile and management of the Grizzly bear than those who think "stopping" hunting really do. Those who want to stop it don't support their cause with the work and money like the hunter. I urge you to consider the only way for the Grizzly bear to exist is work "with "and support the hunter! You have the proof in hand - do the right thing !!

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Name (optional):

Don Mayer

Q3

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support grizzly bear management through hunting

#584

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Name (optional):

Kaelton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears, though a valuable resource and majestic animal, need to be managed as other animals are. I see no reason, if they aren't endangered and have reached/exceeded population quotas, why they shouldn't be managed as other wildlife. Through conservation efforts such as hunting the state can gain valuable revenue while also maintaining a healthy population determined by biologists. This seems like a win win to me. That being said there will be push back as grizzlies haven't been pursued in the lower 48 for many years. I see where these activists are coming from wanting to protect an animal such as this. But, if they aren't in danger and have met quota goals I think it's the states job to maintain the population however they see fit i.e. through means of hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kevin Martin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need sensible Grizzly Bear management. I do not mean wiping them all out. But we do need to use sound conservation in order to keep their numbers in check. We also certainly should not start putting these decisions on a ballot. That is not sound conservation that is political manipulation. It's time that we wise up and use appropriate credit or management immediately. Grizzly numbers are clearly over objective In many parts of this great state. It's not repeat the mistakes of the past which were done with wolves. Grizzly bears just like every other wild game in the state need to be managed.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brad Bull

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Sincerely,
Brad Bull

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Name (optional):

COL(R) Art Bradshaw

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Sincerely,

Art Bradshaw

#588

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan Joseph

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The council must consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. Human-bear conflicts continue to rise, "business as usual" is no longer ok.

Obviously, a hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more people who are actually impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt as hunters will spend significant money towards this type of conservation.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Please don't we be swayed by the coordinated anti- hunted attacks. Science and common sense must prevail - not feelings.

Thank you,
Dan Joseph

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Q1

Name (optional):

Abell Aline

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and humans.

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Name (optional):

David Dwyer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a past and hopefully future hunter in Montana I respectfully request that a Grizzly Bear hunt be authorized in Montana. My thoughts echo those of Jeremy Maus, President, Southwest Montana Chapter of SCI'; In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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David Dwyer

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Q1

Name (optional):

Garry Ritter

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Support grizzle hunting

#592

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Q1

Name (optional):

Pat Murphy

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think that a limited hunt makes all the common sense in the world. I would say the same for wolves.

#593

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Q1

Name (optional):

Peter Katschke

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I wholly support managed hunting of grizzly bears.

#594

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russell Martin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe that a controlled Grizzly Hunt is needed very much like a Wolf Hunt or any animal that becomes over populated in certain area's Thank You

#595

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Q1

Name (optional):

CJ Merriman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the comments below.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Zac Radandt

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunters pay for wildlife management. Hunting is wildlife conservation. Regulated hunting is how states manage wildlife. Hunting will provide a balance between social and biological carrying capacity.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joe Bondra

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not let politics manage your wildlife. Sound science and the safety of the public should be your guide. A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt. The hunt is an important part of the ecology and the hunting heritage

#598

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Q1

Name (optional):

Giuseppe Carrizosa

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It has been proven many times already that controlled hunting is beneficiary tp preserve the specie in good health and preserve wild life in general.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mark Beaudin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need a grizzly bear hunt to keep a balance in the bear "herd". Bears are important in our wild areas however they have lost their fear of man and are becoming increasingly more dangerous

#600

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies should be a managed species, the same way everything else is. They have a place, but the numbers are out of proportion and need to be thinned.

#601

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Proper hunting is needed and is CONSERVATION!!!!

#602

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chuck Rein

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears should be managed by MFWP and this management should include hunting.

#603

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Slezak

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Having had an encounter with a grizzly on one of my Montana elk hunts, I support some kind of meaningful control

#604

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alan McDonald

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A well managed hunt is the best way to increase funds and bring balance to the Grizzly Bear population.

#605

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Q1

Name (optional):

Terry Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a resident of Michigan. For more than 40 years I have been going to northern Ontario fishing in late May/early June each year. When Ontario Wildlife Department stopped the spring bear hunts for a few years we noticed an increase in bear sightings along the roadway sightings. What was concerning was the intrusion of bears during our shore lunch out on the lake. Some of the bears became extremely aggressive and forced us to leave our gear while the bear trashed and got into whatever he wanted. After the bear left we retrieved our cooking equipment and utensils. We all agreed that the likely reason was the lack of fear toward humans in the springtime. It was not too many years later that Ontario, Canada brought back the spring bear hunt to go along with their fall bear hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stephen Tubb

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It has always been that a control hunt will benefit everything. From management to animal fearing humans. To take away this wild life have no fear of human's

#608

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunters pay for wildlife management. Hunting is wildlife conservation. Regulated hunting is how states manage wildlife. Hunting will provide a balance between social and biological carrying capacity.

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Name (optional):

Marcus

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Roger Hutton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe a regulated grizzly bear hunting would be beneficial to other wildlife in Montana and people. I visit Montana at least once a year to see friends that live there. I have one friend from my state that was attacked by a grizzly and bit several times, luckily not were sevier . Another friend has been treed more than once he was at least lucky enough to have a tree near by. I believe it should be left to the experts and not people who just oppose hunting for no other reason than they don't think it's nice

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Q3

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Management should be based on science not emotion.

#613

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would like to share my thoughts on the proposed hunting of Grizzly Bears here in Montana. I am in full support of the program. I am a Montana resident who is an outdoor enthusiast. I further understand you must properly managed wildlife (all species) I don't understand those opposing the recommendations of the same people they trusted to successfully reintroduce the Grizzly. Now the wildlife biologists they supported for 40+ years do not know what is best for the Grizzly bears and those who live around them??? I also feel Montanans should make this decision not people from big cities being rallied by conservation groups hired attorneys who do not live here.

It is time to listen to the experts (FWP & Federal fish & wildlife biologists) and manage the Grizzly Bear in a responsible manner.
Thank You

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Beller

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support science based wildlife management and therefore opening up grizzly bears to managed hunting. The North American wildlife management process is an extremely successful story which, if applied here, will provide our future generations with sustainable populations of grizzly bears in Montana. Additionally, the funds that could be raised through hunting tag auctions would benefit all of wildlife.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears should be managed, just like elk and deer. Population control should be maintained by hunting. The conservation efforts of hunters should be the primary mode of population control.

#616

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Q1

Name (optional):

Richard Wenzel

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a hunter and conservationist I am truly disturbed by rules governing wildlife ,especially the recovered grizzly bear, being made by activist judges and animal rights extremists and not wildlife biologists and game management. Please consider science and the need to avoid negative confrontations between humans, livestock and grizzlies by considering hunting as it is the most effective and controlled way to manage these magnificent animals.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeff Roschyk

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Sincerely,

Jeff Roschyk

#618

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Dowdell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a resident of Ohio and a volunteer hunter education instructor for over 35 years I am a passionate advocate of sound wildlife management practices and principles. Throughout our country various species of wildlife have been brought back from near extinction thanks to sound wildlife practices that enjoyed the support of hunters, trappers and other consumers of wildlife. Balancing the needs of wildlife and the requirement of human populations requires sound, scientifically formulated practices. These are best established and maintained by professional wildlife managers, not individuals who would base wildlife management practices on emotion based feelings that are often times at odds with wise wildlife management principles.

As an Ohioan who has previously hunted grizzly and brown bear in Alaska, and elk in Montana, I would welcome the opportunity to return to Montana to hunt grizzly bear. I encourage the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to legalize sustainable grizzly bear hunting in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Howard Felz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe grizzly bear hunting is a very important part of management of the species. Trained biologists and wildlife professionals should make the decisions not emotional laymen. Thank you

#621

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Q1

Name (optional):

Doug Roffers

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear GBAC, Establishing and following through on a Montana Grizzly hunting season is an important positive step in sound Grizzly management. ALL wildlife species, game animals or other need proper management to control numbers, sustain habitat and prevent disease. Hunting is the number 1 management tool in these efforts. Hunting, not hired snipers to reduce an animal here or there ! Hunting the Grizzly not only controls Bear numbers but helps with Deer and Elk management also. Very importantly this method also raises very important funds to continue proper game management for all people to enjoy.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jared

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Let Fwp decide what to do with grizzlies. They aren't running any of the game species in Montana into extinction and I'm sure they won't with grizzlies. Private land owners that don't allow outside Managment and emotionally driven pressure make it hard for them to do there job.

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Wallace

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

These animals are managed under the supervision of professional wildlife biologists as opposed to emotions and the guidelines they set should be followed.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Theodore A. Gernaey

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Wherever wildlife populations have met reproduction goals, hunting to control numbers from over population is the best management tool Montana has. Moving surplus wildlife to areas in need of additional population is also an option. Please use sensible wildlife management in all situations.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Richard Strater

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If wildlife management data supports a Grizzly Bear season. Please be courageous and follow the data.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joe Byers

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly advise opening the grizzly bear season. Bears should be managed just like deer, elk, and black bears. Game & Fish will responsibly manage the hunts and assure that populations are not threatened.

It's imperative that all wildlife management decisions be based o science and not emotion.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Michael Botha

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We support a limited grizzly bear hunt In Montana. We are an active outdoors family who live in the Gallatin Valley between big sky and Yellowstone park. Over the past 15 years we have seen a huge increase in Grizzly bear's in areas we hunt, hike, camp and generally recreate outdoors. We have had a Grizzly bear try to enter a tent at night, and had another Grizzly bear approach my kids sitting around a campfire. We have also had Grizzly bear walk straight up to us while on horseback, causing an absolute pandemonium. We have had a grizzly on our deck destroy a grill. As an archery hunter we realize that we are in the bears domain, and really like to see Grizzly bear's in the wild. The problem is that the Grizzly Bears have absolutely no fear of humans, and have learned that there are no negative consequences to their actions when they interact with humans. For these reasons we support a limited grizzly bear hunt in Montana as we believe this will reduce dangerous Grizzly bear and human inter reactions to the detriment of both species. Thank you Michael

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Q1

Name (optional):

James Darr

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a person who actually lives in a high density grizzly bear area I believe we are way past the point of needing some hunting to make these bears at least somewhat afraid of people. We saw 6 different grizzlies in our yard last fall, sometimes in broad daylight. I have to clear the yard before I let my daughter go to the bus stop 100' from our front door. I don't dislike them, I just don't like the way they behave in close proximity to people.

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James Darr

Q3

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council must take courage and allow science-based and practical management of Grizzly Bears that includes hunting to protect the lives, livestock and livelihoods of Montanans. A well designed hunting program is the cheapest and best way to ensure social tolerance for the right number of bears in Montana.

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Name (optional):

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Serious consideration of federal delisting and a return to state management is beyond due. Montanans should address this issue and a grizzly hunting season should be at the forefront. The anti-hunting/environmental groups use emotion to lead the charge against hunting with a chorus of "extinction, unsustainable populations and the bears belong on the landscape first".

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Q1

Name (optional):

Terry L. Zink

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We are sitting on species that is fully recovered. We as a state need to manage bears and the bears have been recovered for years yet we sit on this species through social issues, not science. Manage the bears with a controlled hunting season like Moose, Sheep and Mountain Goats.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kris Killorn

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to use hunting as a method to control grizzly bears to reduce human conflict and for biodiversity in bear populations. Grizzly population could actually grow as they have seen on kodiak island due to less boar predation on cubs.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A season with regulated permits on grizzlies should be enacted now. It is the only way to control this dangerous animal.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If the population has been found to be sustainable enough in a geographical region then it should be opened for state management not management by the opinion of those who are truly naive to the facts and scientific evidence presented.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Haeuser

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council has been flooded with no hunting of NGO's/anti-hunting and animal rights activists on the FWP comment page.

We are asking for YOU supporting hunting asap before their meeting on Friday.

THE LINK IS

<http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/grizzlyBear/gbacComments.html>

Here is an example of a response.

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A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Yours Truly,
Bob Haeuser

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Q1

Name (optional):

Heather Walker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I congratulate all involved in the come back of the grizzly bear. It is truly a great success for all. Like the reintroduction of the wolf, those agencies trusted to carry out the goal have done an incredible job. The wolf numbers increased to a point that agencies felt a regulated hunt was another tool they could use to manage this treasure. To me that proves that these agencies know how to manage wildlife populations therefore I believe we should continue to trust them in their management of the grizzly bear. If they feel that a hunt is necessary then we should let them hold it.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sean

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunters pay for wildlife management. Hunting is wildlife conservation. Regulated hunting is how states manage wildlife. Hunting will provide a balance between social and biological carrying capacity.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Thomas Fiori

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jerry Kochheiser

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It seems to me, that when we had a hunting season on these bears, we had a lot fewer problems with them. They are still being "Hunted", but only by the "Feds". And only "Problem" bears. Most of the bears out there, have never been hunted and have no fear of anything. They need some "Education".

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Q1

Name (optional):

C A Lazarus

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The managed Bear hunts are the way forward with keeping numbers at a reasonable level for all concerned

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Q1

Name (optional):

RobHammond

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The FWP must not be influenced by hunters or animal activist. The decision to hunt grizzly bears must be made using scientific information resulting in a decision that manages the grizzly bears optimum existence

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We know grizzlies have recovered. Why are we wasting time with committees. Enough talking. Take action. Delist them.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Everett

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the hunting of grizzly bears. Montana FWP has a proven record of managing wildlife, and I am confident in their ability to manage grizzly bear populations. Hunting would be a valuable tool in their management of grizzly bear populations.

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Pemble

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hello and good day,

You have been tasked to with a making decisions on very political animal such as the grizzly. I would encourage you to make though decisions based on science. I support our North American model of conservation, and support hunting a sustainable population. What that harvest looks should be based on the wildlife managers input best science as we learn more everyday. Having state management would allow the detailed management that habitat allows in Montana. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

They need to be managed. I live in Ferndale just outside of bigfork and I literally have to make sure there isn't a Grizzly bear in my yard when I walk from my house to my shop. It's ridiculous and needs to be managed. If they aren't people will start doing it themselves and nobody wants that.

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Name (optional):

millioto

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cory Caldwell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I Support fair chase/management of grizzly bears in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Edward T Sykes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think we should let the professional wildlife managers do their job! If they feel that a hunt is in the best interests of the species then we should have a hunt. Think of all the successes in past programs.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Oliver Julian

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Grizzly bear recovery threshold has been met under the ESA agreements. Therefore, a sustainable management season should be considered. Shifting goalposts is irresponsible and shows complete disregard to stakeholders...

Let the professional biologists set management objectives and ignore the noise from radical anti-hunting cat-ladies from New Jersey.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Guy Gentz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please use your scientific based information to move forward with a bear management plan

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Q1

Name (optional):

Glen W. Schroeder

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support a tightly controlled well managed grizzly bear hunt. Grizzly bears are not an endangered or threatened species here in southwestern Montana. Having a bear population that has respect for humans as a threat and not a food source will help both the bears and humans to live together.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tom Anderson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Far too many Grizzly attacks now to let these bears get over populated. I know personally of one mans life that is ruined and is still facing many costly operations to his disfigured face due to an attack.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russell swindall

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The flathead valley is not grizzly bear habitat and should not be treated as such. Are we waiting for a tragic outcome to do something about it

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alan McClain

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council,

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Sincerely,

Alan McClain
San Angelo, TX Chapter of Safari Club International
Board Member & Director of Humanitarian Services

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

You can't eat the bears. Just leave them alone.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Eddy Moore

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Scientific management of wildlife and the awareness that without an economic, rather than solely an emotional, value for wild animals is required for their success in the 21st century. Hope and caring are not plans. Please consider allowed a highly regulated and controlled hunting opportunity for Montana's grizzly bears. This will ensure a healthy survival and demographic plan for this iconic species. The interaction of humans and our developments with these predators will diminish the wrong individual animals rather than those that may be scientifically designated and managed. We can trust science on this topic as well as others, you cannot pick and choose. Thank you

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bryce Freyholtz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the legal harvesting of grizzly bears. I've seen in person many grizzlies the past 4-5 years and way more sign. These animals need to be managed like all other species. I believe their numbers are greater than being reported.

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Q1

Name (optional):

tom urell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am in favor of a grizzly bear hunt in Montana, I've had a few encounters with the bears while hunting or hiking in Southwest Montana

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

let the game managers manage the grizzly bears not the johnny come lately animal rights activists

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cliff

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thank you for your work in conservation for Grizzly Bears. With proper management, we will have Grizzly Bears for generations to come.

Since humans inhabit the world, all wildlife exists through management now.

We will hear many people say to just let them be and do not interfere. Those days are gone. Those animals will only have a future through MANagement of the resource.

Wildlife managers need every tool available to regulate, count, and keep the wildlife at sustainable levels. When wildlife gets out of balance with habitat, and that includes interaction with man, then wildlife managers will need to make corrections.

Hunting can play an important role as a tool to be used by wildlife managers. It can help in human / wildlife conflict issues as well as trying to maintain a balance with the habitat. Hunting is also a viable method of generating funding for the management programs of the area including Grizzly Bear management programs as well as wildlife biodiversity.

Unfortunately, you will have animal rightists that are against all wildlife management and will not bring any value to discussions about management issues other than to push for no management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tim Fallon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Bear #'s must be regulated, they are a very important part of the food chain, your elk, deer, moose and all prey populations are suffering horribly! Just look at the mess in The Northwest Territories!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul Rogers

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Since humans have taken so much habitat, wildlife needs to be MANAGED. Culling is a necessity.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The need for the Governor's grizzly bear advisory council to seriously consider to manage a grizzly bear hunt is very critical. Our human/bear conflicts continue to rise. Rancher keep losing more of their livestock and our elk calf mortalities are at dangerous percentage rates. Thank you for your consideration. Mark

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Name (optional):

Jack Wierenga

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Name (optional):

Dean Birkeland

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly Bear Advisory Council members should give thoughtful consideration of all factors regarding a managed grizzly bear hunt. The increase in grizzly bear numbers and range is undeniable and their impact on Montana residents, ranchers, farmers, recreationists and hunters is well known. The grizzly bears' impact on other wildlife species is well known. The grizzly bear population is NOT in any danger from a well managed grizzly bear hunt. The grizzly bear hunt itself can be used to manage the bear population, slightly change their behavior, and raise money for further wildlife management objectives. Absolutely consider implementing a well managed grizzly bear hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brad Snedeker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support the science-based management of the grizzly bear. These amazing animals have fully recovered in Montana and it is well past the time to allow the FWP to manage this species as it does with all other species in the state.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

For an improved bear population and for the safety of residents and visitors, along with other wild and farm animals please approve regulated grizzly hunts in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeremiah Johnson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is a staple in proper game and population management and days back millions of years. To take away hunting would completely alter the balance of life and cause many more problems than what it would solve. Please take this decision very seriously because the impacts will be far worse than good.

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Q1

Name (optional):

david w carrott

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

open up a grizzly hunt for residents

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is way past time for a managed Grizzly Bear hunt in Montana.

#673

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Q1

Name (optional):

David Kutsar

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It hurts to know that some people out there are trying to away the rights of an essential part of life to many hunters. As a hunter myself, this hits home. Take away my rights to hunt, means taking away putting food on my families table.

#674

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Q1

Name (optional):

Louis Kindred

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support a manage hunting season to sustain a grizzly bear population that is consistent with maintaining the bear population, avoid human bear encounters and supporting sport hunting in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

James O'Donnell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting Grizzly Bears is essential to maintaining the balance between Grizzlies, wildlife, and humans.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt.

There are more and more reports of human/Grizzly bear interaction and Grizzly attacks on humans. So a calculated balance needs to be maintained through a calculated conservation effort allowing certain numbers of Grizzly Hunt permits. What better way to add to the conservation effort than to provide certain numbers of permits whose purchase continues to provide for the Wildlife Conservation effort.

Please vote to provide a Controlled Grizzly Hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

don hinton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

proper management of the Grizzly species needs proper wildlife management, especially male bear populations who actively kill cubs and in some cases female bears. Turning a blind eye to this and preventing any harvesting of bears and in particularly male bears is not managing anything but rather is pandering to individuals that promote a zero harvest approach with zero scientific data. As an advisory counsel, please step up, make the right decisions for the sake of the bears and their future generations. .

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charles Scappaticci

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a former resident of Western Montana from 1971 to 1980, the first few years of the 1970s, grizzly bear hunting was allowed but closely managed, I am in support of it I live in Colorado the past 30 years and would dearly like to see grizzlies reintroduced to Colorado as well. I am a conservationist, environmentalist but avid hunter as well. We can be all of these things.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A hunting season is very crucial to keeping a check on bear numbers and to reduce attacks that have been more and more common. Taxpayers dollars are used to trap and kill problem bears that are too comfortable around humans. A hunting season would generate money for conservation as well as reduce the amount of negative bear encounters in the wild

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charles S. Brown

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a Certified Wildlife Biologist and hunter, I strongly support a regulated harvest of grizzly bears. The selective removal of a limited number of bears is biologically sound and will advance bear management by helping to eliminate human-wildlife conflicts and raise funds for future bear conservation. Thanks for considering this request.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Williams

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Comment in support of limited public hunting as a management tool once bears are removed from the ESL.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

GYE/NCD bears need to be removed from the ESA and managed by the state, just like we manage every other species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

James Block

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Council

Please go forward with the mountain grizzly bear management program. A management season is very important to maintaining a viable population that can exist within a habitat that includes humans. A hunting season is not about eliminating a population it is about managing the population and protecting it. The population needs to be managed not only for bear enthusiasts but also for the people who are impacted by them on a daily basis.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

You need to start hunting grizzly bears like all of the others animals in your state. Manage them for population in GMU/zones. There population is recovered

#685

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ken Watts

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

By any measure, grizzlies have fully recovered in Montana and the Rock mountain region. All goals have been met. Now is the time to manage grizzlies for the benefit of Montana citizens and the Montana economy.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gerald Green

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Sir,

Hunting is an American way of life. Managed and controlled hunting is a proven method of conservation. In fact, no managed hunting generally means added cost (and lower revenues from licenses) for controlling populations. Over population of grizzlies will mean more pressure on other species and more negative interactions with humans. I ask that you allow scientifically managed hunting of grizzlies.

Sincerely,

Gerald

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Bullion

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please add hunting to the list of tools used for managing grizzly bears in Montana

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I want fair chase griz season

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dale Gilbert

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I adamantly support actions to allow hunting of grizzly bears in Montana.

Allowing hunting to control and maintain populations has a lot of merit.

We need to be controlling the numbers and taking actions to reduce conflicts which could be accomplished by hunting.

We have to live with them but that needs to be done within reason. Allowing uncontrolled growth and expansion of numbers with expanding areas they are now moving into will only create more problems, conflicts, loss of life and property.

With the current populations and range...we do NOT need more.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council Public Comments

Please allow hunts to minimize damages done to livestock and humans and pets by grizzly bears as they expand their territories.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

- A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.
- Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.
- The fundamental component FWP would use in setting grizzly bear hunting seasons is an adaptive management structure. This was recommended as part of the wolf management plan and would be an ideal specific recommendation for the council to proffer in the Final Report Recommendations.
- The science-based presentations by Larry Van Daele and Garth Mowat during the April 9th meeting produced hard-to-refute realities and evidence that carefully regulated hunting poses no threat to grizzly bear populations. In fact, Garth found that hunting "does generate increased reproduction and cub survival".
- Hunting lives large across all of Montana, is deeply embedded in our customs and culture and is rooted in our State Constitution - Article IX. Section 7. Preservation of harvest heritage. "The opportunity to harvest wild fish and wild game animals is a heritage that shall forever be preserved to the individual citizens of the state and does not create a right to trespass on private property or diminution of other private rights."
Grizzly Bear encounters have been increasing, not only in the wild, but now on farms, ranches and even on the outskirts of Montana's small towns. Also increasing, are the demands that farmers, ranchers and residents of these small towns learn to live with grizzlies, accept livestock losses as part of the "new norm" and for families to just simply stay indoors more.
- The anti-hunting and environmental organizations want to place all the burden of Grizzly depredation on Montana's tax payers, recreationists and ag producers. The grizzly population has substantially increased over the last 3-decades. Additionally, and more unfortunate, has been the long string of lawsuits each time the grizzly is considered for delisting.
- Serious consideration of federal delisting and a return to state management is beyond due. Montanans should address this issue and a grizzly hunting season should be at the forefront. The anti-hunting/environmental groups use emotion to lead the charge against hunting with a chorus of "extinction, unsustainable populations and the bears belong on the landscape first".
- History and facts side with managed hunting when it comes to sustaining a healthy population of the species. The facts often overlooked in managed hunting include revenue generation for the agency (MT FW&P) for continued studies of bears, their habitat and their population.
- Delisting the Grizzly bear and incorporating a managed grizzly hunting season does not mean unlimited hunting tags and a return to a near extinction. Based on research by the agency's biologists, reasonable hunting quotas are always established to ensure a future healthy and huntable population without reducing the bear population into unsustainable numbers.
- There is no sound reason why agency biologists, hunters, ag producers and the public shouldn't move towards removing Grizzly bears from the endangered species list. The economic loss by livestock producers from depredation in Montana is putting local rural communities at risk and the increased population of Grizzly bears have continued to cause more and more human conflicts with human safety as a major concern in many areas of Montana.

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Name (optional):

R M Bristol

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Debbe Klaja

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Let MT Fish and Wildlife do the job they are trained for and allow bear hunting. Overpopulation will greatly blower the deer and elk populations and cause bear problems with humans.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time to open grizzly bear hunting in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Wendy

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a hunter, tax payer, land owner, and I support hunting in Montana. It is how many survive in MT to eat and get through the tough times.

#695

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Reasonable animal control should be strongly considered as over population of any game animal can be devastating for any species.

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Name (optional):

Dan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

These bears need to be managed. In Alaska bears smell a human and run away. Attacks are at a minimum. A hunt needs to be established and give value to these animals.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sam McKeeth

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please continue pushing for state management of grizzly bears. We are long overdue for less restrictive management in many areas of Montana. I can't fathom the amount of money that our state spends on problem grizzly bears currently and I imagine that number will only grow as bears push further into areas that they are more likely to come in contact with people. Hunting seasons have been shown to work in reducing bear conflicts in Alaska as you know. Having spent a great deal of time around grizzlies in Montana and Alaska I can attest that the bears I have encountered in a hunted and non hunted population behave completely different around people. Most of the bears I've encountered in Montana show little to no fear of humans, the bears I encountered in Alaska would leave for parts unknown at the first sight or scent of a human. Please for the safety of the people, the funds we use to manage wildlife, and the continued health of our bear population continue to work towards a hunting season for grizzlies.

Thank you,
Sam McKeeth

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Q1

Name (optional):

rob

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would suggest that the state govern the Grizzly hunt on the basis of science, not the emotional screams of hysterical nut bars.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bob

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

A grizzly bear by nature will wander, they also have a very good memory of danger. We have done a excellent job of bring the Grizzly back, however we have created a no-win scenario for the Grizzly. In his genetic balance he will identify humans with food. Be it dumpsters, cattle, sheep, horses or people. A limited hunting season in areas that cannot support more bears and has seen a uptick in human animal problems needs to have a hunting season that will again make the humans a danger to the grizzly. I am for a limited hunting season. Maybe we can then bring more land into a wild state so they have more room.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Levi

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am very proud to be from MT and have the right to hunt. I am a hunter, tax payer, land owner and stand strong for my hunting rights.
Keep America Great!

#701

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Social tolerance is important for successful conservation programs. From its experience with wolves, Montana knows the value of social tolerance for predator species. As with wolves, hunting will be an important aspect of grizzly bear management once any of Montana's bears populations are delisted from the federal Endangered Species Act. As a local member of Safari Club International, I fully support an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears.

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Name (optional):

Shirley Hopkins

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The biologists are very knowledgeable about managing wildlife populations. Grizzly bears have rebounded and are at a level where they need to be managed by hunting.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please listen to the facts presented by the Fish and Wildlife service of Montana

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Q1

Name (optional):

Flip Zeren

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have lived in Great Falls for 39 years and hunted the entire time. A fair amount of time is spent on the Rocky Mountain front hunting and also in the Sun River fishing west of Vaughn. My son who is 33 will no longer go to either location due to the very large number of grizzlies in both locations. I get a fair number of videos annually of groups as large as 6-8 grizzlies running together near Choteau. I visit with people who now see up to 5 bears in a day hunting. They have taken over the average Sportsman's area and were scared to venture out any more. I am strongly for a hunting season. I would also be for transporting a fair number of grizzlies to New York or California so people do not have to travel so far to see them. As best I know the population is above target by a large amount. Please allow hunting so people can recreate without being quite so scared of getting attacked. Thank you

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Q1

Name (optional):

Wade Lemon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Open up grizzly bear hunting. It is a renewable resource. They are over populated and and damaging other species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Wade Lee

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Don't let environmental groups dictate hunting seasons like you have always done with the wolves. These grizzlies have reached a good stable number so there is no reason not to hunt them. Hunters' dollars can go to help restore the grizzly in the other areas. There is no biological reason to further delay a grizzly season.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Scott Brockway

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a conservation minded Montana resident, I'm asking that you rely on science to determine the role of hunting in the management of grizzly bears within Montana. As long as there is a sustainable population of bears, and my understanding is that there is, hunting is an effective way of managing the population and preventing deadly bear vs. human interaction. Please do not give in to pressure from anti-hunting groups who demand that hunting of grizzly bears not be allowed. These groups argue for the use of science when the science supports their position and then throw science out the window when it does not. Please listen to the experts in wildlife management and allow hunting of grizzly bears in Montana. And remember that ultimately the goal of these anti-hunting groups is to stop all hunting, not just that of the grizzly bear.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sean Nulliner

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We manage elk, deer, bears, wolves, and all other animals with science. Grizzly bears should be no different. How long are we going to allow grizzly bears to go unregulated?

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a fifth generation Montanan. I grew up hunting and fishing the western side of the state and I firmly believe the grizzly bears need to be managed. If FWP determines that they have a sustainable population, there is no reason to not have a limited season on them. There have been too many attacks due to what I believe are the grizzly bears fighting for resources. I think it is unfair for people who don't even live here to be able to comment on an issue they don't face everyday. Please listen to the wildlife biologist. The grizzly population has recovered.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

C.T. Ripley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time to delist the grizzlies and start a hunting season for them. There are many more of them than was originally stated in the management plan. Now they are leaving the mountains and living on private property and killing livestock and putting human lives in danger! It is time to look at the situation realistically and not on the Disney channel or through the eyes of the animal rights fanatics who don't have to deal with them on a daily basis and have political agendas far beyond the bear!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Terry Schar

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Regulated hunting is the best and most cost effective means of managing wildlife populations. Hunters were the original group to protect and regulate wildlife populations to insure they are there for future generations. When left unmanaged and unchecked wildlife populations can be just as detrimental as over-exploited populations. Proper management by experts remains the best means of insuring the future of all wildlife species. When hunting is eliminated, who will pay for the management and protection of wildlife. I strongly suspect that those people sighting to end hunts will not provide funding since they currently do not provide money protect and improve wildlife habitat which is the largest threat to wildlife.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steven

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have lived in Northwest Montana for 27 of the last 30 years. Being a dedicated hunter, I've spent over 3,000 days in the mountains during this time. Based on personal observations, I can attest to the relative strength of Montana's grizzly bear population as being suitable for controlled hunting. Moreover, I believe even limited hunting will be a useful tool for managing grizzly/human conflicts.

The revenue potential is staggering as well, and I hope MFWP is wise enough to properly tap into this much-needed source (unlike other species). Grizzly hunting should be on a permit -only basis, not a quota, and those permits are worth many multiples of the minimal amount Montana assesses for trophy species such as sheep, moose and mountain goat.

MFWP should also permit grizzly hunters to take designated problem animals as was done until the early 1980s.

I am confident the Advisory Council will receive many comments from anti-hunters who will threaten to boycott tourism should such a grizzly season be approved. Hopefully, you will have the strength to resist these idle threats and make a decision that turns on science.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We have way too many. I worked in the bob for many years they are starting to get to be to many so they are getting ballsie

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thank You Board and FWP! Keep doing what is right for our State and our Wildlife. As a Democracy we have people put in place to make decisions based on truths and the best practices for everyone...not just a few. Please keep up the good work! Allow the Sportsman to help FWP manage the Grizzly Bear.

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Name (optional):

Jerry Hover

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am firmly convinced that a factual and unemotional review of the data concerning grizzly bear distribution and population would lead to the conclusion that a well controlled harvest of these bears would be the best solution to a ever increasing interface problem. I have had grizzlies walk through my yard, through my horse pasture and regularly see them on my game cameras . They have lost all fear of humans. A limited hunting season would help to eliminate “ problem bears” and reinstall their desire to stay away from populated areas.

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Name (optional):

STEPHEN R WEICHEL

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

THE COUNCIL SHOULD CONSIDER A MANAGED GRIZZLY BEAR HUNT AS HUMAN-BEAR INTERACTIONS CONTINUE TO ESCALATE. THE HUNT WOULD BE HIGHLY REGULATED BY MONTANA FWP & ONLY A FEW BEARS WOULD BE TAKEN. THESE TYPES OF MANAGED HUNTS WOULD ALLOW A BALANCE TO BE RESTORED.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Scott F

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support a management plan that includes hunting of grizzly bear. The population is above goals and can now be managed based on good science to benefit all stakeholders.

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Name (optional):

Chris Torzala

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting any species is a necessary part of the conservation of that species. And so to this applies to the future of the Brown bear (grizzly) in Montana. 1) Fees collected from licences issued can be used towards the furtherance of the species in many ways. 2) Hunting of the species would give the brown bear a new found respect of humans. Which would create a safe zone of interaction between humans and bear. At present on my fishing expeditions into the Absaroka Mountain range its not if I will see a bear, its how many I will see on any given trip. And they simply have no fear of my presence. This is not a good situation for the less experienced who may find themselves face to face with an 800 lb bruin. Or worse yet a sow with cubs.

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Name (optional):

Cedric Knight

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

This is not a new problem in America as it relates to the coexistence of man and Wilde life. We owe it to our own survival to protect this species. In today's market, the only sustainable solution is through strict manage hunting. It's not rocket science or a new methodically to know to protect, control and sustain a species, in this case bears, is to allow it to be hunted. The hunting community will police itself with the cooperation and partnership of government, the public(hunters) and the private sectors. It's ironic that those who make the most noise, the anti- hunting community do not engage in the activity. For example, you have never played base ball but you want to coach the team. Wilde life in this country is an integral part of our American heritage and deserves no less than our best effort to sustain it through the cooperative efforts of both sides. Come on folks, this is not new science. We have seen this issue with other species across the globe. It's as simple as, protect the species put a price on it, the blunt fact. This issue doesn't have to be politicized. My parents raised me with the principle of "common sense and good judgement.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ken

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think that controlled hunting of Grizzlies would be a good thing. Both for the bear population and Fish& Games bank account.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jon Lee

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Social tolerance is important for successful conservation programs. From its experience with wolves, Montana knows the value of social tolerance for predator species. As with wolves, hunting will be an important aspect of grizzly bear management once any of Montana's bears populations are delisted from the federal Endangered Species Act. As a local member of Safari Club International, I fully support an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears.

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Name (optional):

Samantha

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I live in MT pay taxes I hunter and strongly support my hunting rights.

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Name (optional):

Joe Boyer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's our belief that a well researched, intelligent, and sustainable hunting season on the Grizzly bear is the best way to protect the future existence of the Grizzly in Montana. The Grizzly bear will best be protected and respected by the hunting sportsman of this great state. The unwanted current human interaction with the Grizzly would decrease with the bear becoming very aware that human interaction is essentially a bad thing for them. The Grizzly population will be better protected from poaching with the constant protection of the sportsman/women of the state. If the Grizzly Bear has a value to the hunting community, they will essentially be protected by the hunting community.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dave Lundin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm on favor of opening grizzly hunting, look at the mortality rate now, the hunters, fisherman, have been paying for the bears through our excise taxes and getting nothing for it, and the state is missing out on a larger revenue stream

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Name (optional):

Dave Lundin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Q1

Name (optional):

michael colpo

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I realize that grizzly bear management is a contentious issue in Montana on a social level and scientific level and no matter what the facts show either side will be happy with the outcome. My fear is looking at the data and how it is being used and the makeup of this council and the trajectory that we are headed down that hunting will take a back seat in this issue. The data and facts presented by the presenters in this last meeting showed clearly that regulated hunting would not in anyway harm the population of grizzly bears and in cases by taking the right bears out of the equation can actually help make a more viable population. One on my main concerns in hunting of grizzly bears to make that call on the right mature boars is education of hunters lucky enough to draw for the opportunity to take a grizzly bear. That is where expert advice and guidance form Larry Van Daelhe is a very good choice. Alaska has very good guidance in this issue and Kodiak island harvest has benefitted from this. I am in support of a well regulated and educated harvest of grizzly bears in the state of Montana.

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Name (optional):

Clifford Morris

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I live in grizzly country and they (grizzlies) visit my yard frequently during the spring, summer and fall. They keep getting bolder each year and I feel the only way to control them is to create a fear of humans. The best way to do this is with a hunting season. The best way to control the season is with a trophy draw. This would create revenue for the FWP and put fear of humans in the bears instinct.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matt Janes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

GBAC,
Please allow the Grizzly bear to be delisted from the Endangered Species Act. It is no longer endangered. Population goals were achieved. Additional growth without management through a state draw/hunt would be a continued imbalance among other specie objectives. Besides, Sportspeople pay MILLIONS in dollars through excise tax on firearm/archery/fishing equipment purchases. This allows for species propagation and conservation efforts. To continue to allow these species to be used as expensive food for an unregulated predator is a waste of resources. Stop the waste of resources. Bears must be managed too. I would suspect the number of bears that are killed every year due to depredation and vehicle impact could easily be sold on tag to sportspeople who would gladly pay for the opportunity. This would be a boon to the conservation and study of all species. Even if you decided that all Grizzly be taken with a licensed guide to confirm sex/age requirements. Another boost to the economy. That is fair. Everyone wins!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Scott Wolf

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The wildlife managers are in favor of grizzly bear hunting. The Montana hunting population is in favor. The citizens of Montana are in favor. Why would we not have grizzly bear hunting? Because out of state anti-hunters want to control what we do in MT? This is the same argument at the wolf hunt and once we got through the noise and allowed a wold hunter everything was in balance. There are plenty of wolves around for the tourist to see and the population is kept somewhat in check by sport hunting. a limited grizzly bear hunt will not hurt the population.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear Governor
We need to hunt grizzly bears in Montana
The Montana game commission is capable of the oversight and regulations

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brian Boll

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would support a Grizzly Bear Hunt in MT.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brent Nelson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I hunt deer in Montana and am in favor of a managed grizzly bear hunt. Interactions between people and grizzly bears must be kept in check. The best way to control and fund this is through a carefully managed bear hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

kent woodard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting is a great way to control these animals and insure that they can survive.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Luke

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a sportsman it is evidenced by our conflict issues, and biologists thoughts on this matter that there needs to be a season for these great animals. I love that they're on the landscape and it's cool to see them, but they need to be managed.

#737

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Q1

Name (optional):

Justin B

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Out of state groups or others who want to sue over the possibility of grizzly bears being delisted and managed as the state of Montana and the biologists that live and work here deem good for the Grizzlies population should have to pay all legal fees. There are way more grizzly bears out in the woods than most believe. I have hunted many areas around Helena and have seen them or signs of them in areas all around Helena. I think with FWP biologists gathering information from recreational people and outdoor sports enthusiasts we can gather a much better idea of where bears are and how frequently they are in those areas.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Patrick Hover

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

De listing and Managed hunting are the proper way to get in front of this issue before it gets out of control. Close coordination with the FWP and the landowners can be a positive thing. Look what just happened 2 weeks ago, a hiker bumps into a momma and a cub out by DUPUYER ! Momma dies, etc, you know the story. It's happening more and more, Ranchers are losing livestock. You have the perfect solution. Hunters and FWP work together to manage the bears in the trouble areas. Quit worrying about what other states think, activists groups will whine and complain no matter what you try and do-it will be wrong in their eyes unless, the bears roam free where ever they want whenever they want and we do nothing. Fix the issue. Inaction is not an option.

#739

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

These bears are dangerous.

They have filled available habitat.

Bears need hunted.

Montana has an over abundance of predators affecting prey species.

Hunting surplus bears, should commence with bear objectives achieved.

#740

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert Morgan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting has been proven to be a viable and useful tool in bear management. I urge the state to not get pulled into the sediment around this as it happened in BC. Their population base is concentrated on a small geographic region that has wide spread effects. Not a great model. Look more to the Yukon and Alaska as our model. Well managed for generations not in sediment.

The TRUE grizzly numbers are far higher than what is guessed by the current system for tallies.

Also if it released from a federal jurisdiction to be managed by states, then why is it not ruled on by state judges as to how the management is to be dealt? Isn't it out of the federal jurisdiction by their own policy?

5th generation that's lived in Montana since the early 1800's

#741

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

These bears are dangerous.

They have filled available habitat.

Bears need hunted.

Montana has an over abundance of predators affecting prey species.

Hunting surplus bears, should commence with bear objectives achieved.

#742

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paul ahlin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I'm writing this on behalf of hunters and all outdoorsman in the state of Montana. The amount of grizzlies in the state is at an all time high along with confrontation with these animals. The population overload has started a mess with livestock depredation, farmers, and outdoorsman. In order to put just a bandage on this problem is to start harvesting these animals. It has pros and cons you'll have to deal with mindless people who don't understand the act of conservation and think only two animals have rights grizzlies and wolves. Some pros you can stop using as much tax dollars to fund depredation with ranchers and farmers. Help ungulate populations elk calves etc. and all around make the woods a little more comfortable to be in. If predator numbers are controlled I'm guessing you'll sell a lot more out of state elk tags (more money for the state). I've guided several years and in my last few have had many clients tell me they will never hunt Northwest Montana again. Do what's best for Montana control the grizzly population.

Sincerely, Paul Ahlin

#743

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

You could do a special permit for these guys! They kill our cattle most of the time. They also invade our camps and sometimes attack people. Let us help you keep them under management!

#744

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mike

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe that the grizzly bear needs to come off the endangered species list. Also that we should have a hunting season for them as well. This is due to the fact that more people are getting mauled by bears, and the numbers seem to be in check. I believe thos is true aura to the fact that I saw 2 grizzlies last year where I've never saw them before. In my entire life ive never saw a grizzly here, and last year I saw 2 in a big area. I believe the numbers are healthy and should be taken off the list and start got be managed like any other predator should be

#745

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stephen M. Weaver

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To Whom it May Concern:

Having worked extensively in areas immediately adjacent to Montana (Selway Bitterroot) I am quite familiar with the habitats and wildlife of the area. Having worked internationally with large predators I can assure you that only scientifically based hunting will adequately control top of the food chain predators. Such hunting strategies are proven to reduce negative impacts on the prey base. Only well crafted hunting reduces or even eliminates fatal predator / human interactions. Hunting is critical in modern wildlife management.

Sincerely,

Stephen M. Weaver, M.Sc.
Certified Wildlife Biologist

#746

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe in areas of Montana, the grizzly population is getting out of hand. I have had multiple encounters in the last 3 years in places I'd never seen a grizzly before. These areas are mainly in Northwest and Southwest Montana. The bears when encountered with showed very little fear at all toward a human. I believe we need a hunting season on the grizzly.

#747

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Winjum

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We must allow the use of hunting as the primary management tool for healthy long term grizzly populations. This will allow better population control based on science and not emotion. Should reduce bear to human conflicts as well.

#748

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeremy Clare

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Social tolerance is important for successful conservation programs. From its experience with wolves, Montana knows the value of social tolerance for predator species. As with wolves, hunting will be an important aspect of grizzly bear management once any of Montana's bears are delisted from the federal Endangered Species Act. The State should also allow grizzly hunting to maintain healthy predator-prey relationships between bears and their prey species. Hunting will provide recreational opportunities and state agency funding while sustainably managing the population's surplus males. Safari Club International fully supports an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears. Please contact Jeremy Clare, SCI Litigation Counsel, at jclare@safariclub.org if you have questions.

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There needs to be a lottery system to manage bears in specific regions. Successful applicants should have access to local ranchers and biologists.

#750

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russell A. Ferlita

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think the regulation of all hunting, especially bear, should be left to the experts. The wild life management division of the state should be totally in charge of that decision without the influence from groups with self interest.

#751

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe we need understand the importance of cohabiting with grizzlies. We are both creatures of this world and we both play a part in a balanced ecosystem.

#752

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Q1

Name (optional):

Richard Solum

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to start hunting Grizzlies again!!!

#753

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Manage bears through the state like you manage every other animal.

#754

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Q1

Name (optional):

David VanWormer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Dear sirs,

Please consider a controlled grizzly bear harvest. As the population grows, there will be more and more negative interactions between bears, humans and their pets. I have a freind in BC Canada where they banned grizzly hunting, and the bears are becoming more and more bold.A lady was even dragged from a backyard hot tub and killed. A horrible way to die.

Please spare us from this, leave it up to the biologists for harvest numbers. Keep this scientific, not political.

Thankyou

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Q1

Name (optional):

Don Christner

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In today's world, the only chance animals have is to be managed by professionals. Having too many predators brings down the entire system. NO species has EVER gone extinct when there is managed harvest. It's in everyone's best interest to not overharvest.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dale Rimkus

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

They need to be taken off the endangered list and managed by fwp!! They are killing to many Elk and Deer ranchers livestock and people!!

#758

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chad Schearer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I feel it is imperative that Montana opens up a Grizzly Bear Season. With the number of unfortunate ending encounters hikers and hunters have been having over the last several years it is important that we manage bears like every other species in Montana. I feel the state has done a good job with the recovery efforts and now is the time to adjust management plans. As a hunter and conservationist, I do not feel we should eliminate the population but it is our duty to manage it. I know there are know simple answers, but I appreciate this advisory council considering what is best for wildlife and the safety of hikers and hunters. This is all considered without digging deeply into the economic impact of license sales and other monies spent on hunting each year in Montana. Thank you for your time. Chad Schearer - Television Host and Licensed Montana Outfitter and Guide

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeff

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Social tolerance is important for successful conservation programs. From its experience with wolves, Montana knows the value of social tolerance for predator species. As with wolves, hunting will be an important aspect of grizzly bear management once any of Montana's bears populations are delisted from the federal Endangered Species Act. I fully support an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears.

#760

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Grizzly Bear has defiantly rebounded as a population and has been venturing into new areas of habitat that is crowded with humans. By managing these animals thru a hunting season we will insure the stability of the population into the future.

#761

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Q1

Name (optional):

Leo Pfendler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support them having the grizzly bear hunt to keep things in check.

#762

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think that if the species has reached its objective numbers for recovery which sounds like they have I would strongly recommend that a management plan be put together that would be consistent with every other animal that has been the same spot IE wolves and big horns I think that holding grizzlies to a different standard is unfair also the revenue produced by not only selling the tags but everything else that comes with hunting gas stations restaurants grocery stores and taxidermist would be all greatly impacted I think that opening grizzlies to hunting is nothing but positive

#763

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Name (optional):

Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Just like the hippie tree hugging inbreds the Grizzlies need management. #bow hunter

#764

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matt Herset

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a montan resident and life long outdoors man and hunter I believe we need to manage all the wildlife in montana, both ungulates and predators. Montana fwp so far managed wolves what i would deem as successfully so far and I believe that FWP can do the same with Grizzly bears. As a hunter, I would love the opportunity to help manage grizzly bears, like we do with wolves, cougars and black bears.

#765

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

management goals should be science based not emotional a good balance is achievable with proper management

#766

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Q1

Name (optional):

Todd Smith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There are so many grizzlies these days its hard to even enjoy camping or hiking with my family. Some places we used to go cant even go there anymore because there are so many grizzlies. It is time to delis . Allow hunting and managing grizzly bears just like all other large animals in Montana.

#767

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Q1

Name (optional):

Steve Nave

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The council members should seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans, including the ranching industry.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Sincerely,

Steve Nave

#768

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Q1

Name (optional):

Fred McDonald

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As an active back country visitor, I would like to give my thoughts on a Grizzly hunt. We live in Philipsburg, MT and see bears on our property. That being said, we see many times more Grizzly bears than we do black bears in all our travels. With the growing human population taking up more historic Grizzly habitat, it is foolish to think we can have Grizzly in all their traditional habitat. The habitat that is good Grizzly country is now exceeding the carrying capacity for the bears in many areas. You can not "stock pile" Grizzly bears. They will naturally limit their population. I hunt and recreate in most of the "wilderness" / back country areas and my non-scientific data shows about 4-6 times more Grizzly than blacks. My favorite hunting area is more than 18 miles from nearest trailhead and it is VERY ODD not to see a Grizzly. I took our son-in-law on my last trip and we saw 8 grizzlies in ONE day -- 3 sows with 4 cubs and one boar. The country can not sustain populations like that. A limited hunt will keep the population health, provide the bears some amount of safety by respecting a human with a firearm thereby limiting "dangerous" bears being removed from the population, as well as providing much needed \$\$\$ for research, habitat and human education.

Fred McDonald

#769

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Q1

Name (optional):

James Robertson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support a managed grizzly bear hunt in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bruno Parzych

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Arthur Westwood

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open a Grizzly bear hunting season here in Montana. The population has recovered and it would be nice to have the opportunity to hunt a grizzly. Also it would help on lowering the population in areas where there is human bear conflicts. I think hunters should also be able to remove problem bears as well. I hate to see these bears go to waste.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Eric W

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe we have a grizzly bear problem in south west and western Montana. They are everywhere. The blacktail just south of Dillon sited along the creek where we fish and camp. The gravelly range at the ruby reservoir, big fork Montana resident struggle with them...

Rocky Mountain front conrad/valier.

These bears are dangerous, aggressive & have no fear of humans. The numbers are on the rise, yet we dont manage them by hunting. If a season isnt opened, who will be responsible as the number of Grizzly bear conflicts increase. These bears put many people at risk.

And need to be managed by hunting. Aggressive bears should be terminated.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dave Simpson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I understand that the Governor's Grizzly Bear advisory Council is currently considering the role of hunting in management once the bears are delisted. As a former FWP commissioner, I understand the challenges facing the Council and appreciate the diversity of opinion on this highly controversial and often emotional issue. Under the protection afforded by the Endangered Species Act, there is no question that grizzly populations have increased and expanded their range well beyond core habitats. The inevitable result is increasing frequency of conflict with humans and human activities, particularly ranching.

It is imperative that hunting be included in any post-delisting plan for management of grizzly bears. Regulated harvest is an important tool for managing wildlife populations, particularly where range capacity is exceeded. Grizzlies are no exception. I strongly support regulated hunting as an important tool in grizzly bear management.

Thank you for your hard work on the Council and your consideration of my views on this important wildlife management issue.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kirk Sybraandt

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Social tolerance is a useful attitude when managing predators. Montana sportsmen have proven their ability to exercise social tolerance with predator populations by the way they have treated the wolf population since they were reintroduced here. There is no reason grizzly bears would be treated any differently once delisted from the Endangered Species List and again managed by the State of Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Justin Fox

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider including sportsmen and sportswomen in the council and as part of a solution to growing conflict between bears and humans / livestock. Hunters and anglers are the ones most often put into peril by overpopulation of apex predators, and should be involved in conservation efforts.

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Name (optional):

Rob Modderman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly hunting should clearly be implemented in Montana. It is irrational that Montana would pay to have aggressive grizzly bears exterminated or transplanted when hunters can be charged to do the same work. The fact that human-bear conflicts are on the rise is a clear indication that hunting is not only advisable but necessary. If FWP is able to manage numerous wildlife numbers effectively, with large and small populations, why is it not possible to do the same with the grizzly? The obvious answer is that they can and should.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It's not safe in the woods or anywhere do something before we see them in dillon valley.

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Name (optional):

Bud Wulforst

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The management of the grizzly bear should be done by the professionals. The proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by MFWP as it should be.

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Name (optional):

william bremler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please vote to allow limited grizzly bear hunting in MT

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Name (optional):

Jack

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to start managing grizzly bears the way we do for other predators! There's getting to be way to many with no control over the population. We need to start hunting them!

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Its past time to start a grizzly bear season. FwP can come up with a scientific number of bears to be taken. During elk season i see more grizzly and wolf tracks than i do elk, especially in the northwest corner of state. We need to put a little fear of man in them with limited tags. Its scary to think what the courts are going to do with you if God forbid you have to defend yourself from one.

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Name (optional):

Jay D. Hunt, III, Ph.D.

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As both a hunter and a professional biologist, I am concerned that those who are emotionally opposed to hunting in general, and grizzly bear hunting specifically, are influencing the scientific management of wildlife populations. Organizations such as PETA have a large and focused group of supporters who work to end the scientific management of wildlife population through emotionally charged statements. Their impact is outsized and unhelpful. Ironically, these groups often cause far more harm to the populations they hope to protect by removing barriers to human-wildlife conflicts. Please, I urge you to continue with the proven strategy of using controlled, science-based hunting as a method to control wildlife populations and not listen to those who will stop at nothing to ban hunting and animal use.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Terry Wink

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think there should be Grizzly Bear Hunting, just like the wolves, it's a effective management tool. I've hunted all around the world. Any predator where there is hunting, avoids humans. Thus, less interaction with humans.

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Name (optional):

Rich Birdsell

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support hunting as a tool for the management of Grizzly Bears. Hunting has proved an essential management tool and Grizzly Bears should e no exception.

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Name (optional):

Dennie Mann

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are an apex predator and they have reached and exceeded the management goals set by the endangered species act. Grizzly bears should be managed by the states wildlife agencies and using hunting as a management tool to continue to meet the goals set by USFWS, USGS, and the state wildlife agency. Hunting is conservation and is engineered into the North American Model of Conservation. All of us should be celebrating that grizzly bear management has exceeded all expectations of the grizzly bear management teams and allow the states to manage this species by using hunting as a management tool.

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Name (optional):

Chris Wright

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Extremist opinions don't really help the process because they are not reasoned only a statement of ideology. The purpose of conservation and the agreements made for the Grizzly Bear was to return the population to manageable levels. Management is to be done by the State and would include hunting as a management and recreation tool. We are at that point. Please support Montana FWP and Bear Hunting.

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Name (optional):

Rory Erhard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have grown up in a farming/ranching environment. I have seen first hand the damage unregulated wildlife can do to a family. I seen elk wipe out hay field, wolves killing livestock with no re-imbursement from the government, deer dyeing in the fields from disease. In the last few years now we have seen Grizzly tracks extremely close (1/4 mile) from families houses. This is only a few miles from a school and small town. Government needs to start regulating these bears. I used to hunt the Taylors Fork area south of Big Sky MT. I quit hunting that area do to too many Griz. In a weekend archery hunt when you see more Griz then elk you have a problem. If the government would allow Grizzlies to be hunted by a few hunters (keep tags reasonable similar to Moose/Sheep/Goat) it will draw more interest in preservation and generate income. Have a super tag for Grizzly and it will generate income from all over the country. Hunters will feel they have a connection to the wildlife then and feel they have some say in how the animals are regulated.

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Name (optional):

Herb Atkinson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is paramount that the grizzly bear population be managed in a scientific manner and in keeping with the North American Wildlife Model. An over population of bears is a deterrent to their long term existence and to a balanced population of other wildlife species in the ecosystem. By far the best method of managing bear numbers is through regulated sport hunting. Hunting provides needed management dollars to the game management authorities, and brings in thousands of dollars to the local economy with payments to motels, restaurants, guides, outfitters, and many other businesses. I strongly recommend that the Advisory Council provide the Governor with a common sense management plan for the states grizzly bears that is based on sensible regulated sport hunting.

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Name (optional):

Dan Gagner

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are a perfect example of what the Endangered Species Act was intended for. They have been brought back successfully and the management should be turned over to the state, rather than allowing environmentalists keep moving the sticks forward and forward for eternity.

As part of state management, I'm all for a hunting season. For one, bear meat is great table fare when properly prepared. In fact, brown bear meat is sold in grocery stores in Norway, so anyone who thinks it's just a "trophy hunt" is incorrect. Secondly, the bears in Montana have no fear of humans whatsoever. They're basically in every mountain range now, along with the prairie all the way out to the central part of the state. When folks are getting mauled and killed each year, it's time to start using common sense. I've talked to Alaskan hunters that say it's more dangerous to hunt in Montana because of the bear's lack of fear over humans versus grizzlies that are hunted up there.

I want to be able to raise my young boys to hunt with me without having to worry about them getting attacked by grizzlies every time I take them out. Please start managing the population to a sensible degree.

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Name (optional):

Mark G. Wilson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting lives large across all of Montana, is deeply embedded in our customs and culture and is rooted in our State Constitution - Article IX. Section 7. Preservation of harvest heritage. "The opportunity to harvest wild fish and wild game animals is a heritage that shall forever be preserved to the individual citizens of the state and does not create a right to trespass on private property or diminution of other private rights."

Grizzly Bear encounters have been increasing, not only in the wild, but now on farms, ranches and even on the outskirts of Montana's small towns. Also increasing, are the demands that farmers, ranchers and residents of these small towns learn to live with grizzlies, accept livestock losses as part of the "new norm" and for families to just simply stay indoors more.

Thank you

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Name (optional):

Todd Stoddard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is my personal belief that there should be a well controlled hunting season on the Grizzlies. I believe that this would lead, in the long run, to fewer confrontations with unsuspecting humans. The grizzly population and territory will continue to grow to the point that you will have more problems if you don't.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Just like anything you need to manage wildlife, don't be a boner and do the right thing. Next thing it could be you or a family member getting eating by one these things.

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Name (optional):

Rich

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

After encountering more bears in the last couple of years while fishing, the bear population seems to have substantially grown. Hunting is one viable option, but could the bears be transplanted to other states where they used to be say California, Oregon, Nevada, UT?

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Name (optional):

Robert Anderson

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I believe that under current conditions a controlled, targeted and regulated hunt is the best way to support healthy grizzly bear populations.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Birrell White

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow a grizzly bear hunt in Montana. It is very much needed. I think a drawing and limited number of tags say 10 per year would be manageable by the state and sustainable. Everything needs management even grizzly bears please!

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Name (optional):

Steve Tenold

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

On June 1st 2014 my friend Dave was hunting spring black bears with his father in southwest Montana when he was attacked and mauled by a 10 year old boar grizzly. his face was literally bit off. He spent months in Seattle and had countless surgeries to have his face and arms rebuilt and is still to this day. I know Dave because we hunt elk in the same area. i have been hunting elk there for 32 years and the first grizzly i saw there was in 2012, now every year since our group has encountered grizzlies. we used to hunt alone but now are forced to hunt in groups. between the grizzlies and wolves the elk we used to see are far more depleted and hard to find. As hunters we have consistently seen the goal posts move in the grizzlies favor, the state needs to be able to manage the bears through hunting! bears in Alaska tend to fear humans but not here.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

What does the science point to? That is the only question that should be considered. Why kill a few bears to make a point and appease some more extreme hunters?

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Name (optional):

calvin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I hope you allow hunting for Grizzly bears. I have seen several while hiking, fishing and traveling south of the Bozeman area. They did not seem scared of me and I feel like it is only a matter of time that I will have to use bear spray on them and I pray that it works.
Thank you

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need a way to control the population and location of hot spots. Hunting is our best choice!

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Name (optional):

john bierley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

regulated hunting will result in less conflict with bears;more bears;habitat spread;a healthier population.The same is true for other species with similar conflicts.

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Name (optional):

Jonathan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thanks to all of you serving on the council. I would to urge that hunting is a very viable way to help maintain a sustainable Grizzly population. And hunting would also generate revenue as well. Thanks for you time. Jonathan

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Name (optional):

Sam Schrock

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I want to support the managed grizzly bear hunts. These hunts add value to local communities in revenue as well as balancing the ecosystem that exists between man and nature. These hunts have been successfully implemented all around the world with wonderful impacts for man and beast.

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Name (optional):

Jim Willems

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is vitally important that the State of Montana establish a grizzly bear management plan that includes limited hunting. Bringing the natural order of things back into Montana's wild places is more important today than at any time ever. It is completely natural for bears to be respectful and fearful of humans. Under the current situation, bears have no reason to fear man or mans property. Listen to the people who live in or spend time in Montana, not the emotional activist from around the country who never interact with wild animals. Limited hunting will be very beneficial for the bears and all wildlife in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Richard Wildermuth

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open a season to legally hunt Grizzly Bear. The time has come. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Terry Ehrhardt

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

With the continued increase in grizzly bear numbers the viability of a special draw hunting season should become a reality. Done properly it will result in a better survival rate for cubs and ultimately allow for greater hunting opportunities. By putting a significant price on the license FWP can raise additional needed funds. As the number of bears continue to increase the price for tags could go down. Hunting is conservation and this is an example of a species recovering and now their management should be turned over to the states as they know best how to take care of the resource.

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Name (optional):

Bo Morgan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

One common sense thing that we never hear in these arguments is when any animal feels threatened and uncomfortable they choose to not live in that habitat. This is the same for predators. The only instrument to do that is hunting. When an animal is in the field and no threat of harm is there, it is ok with close interaction. I.E. wild horse island bighorn sheep. When you move in a predator gesture to get closer they feel it and don't tolerate it. I.E. a normal hunting season for bighorns elsewhere in the state they flee rapidly. As Grizzlies population continues to outgrow its habitat it infringes toward terrain that is less and less remote. A long term effect of a hunting season would be bears having apprehension of humans and their property. It works in the northern states and will work here in the southern states. Generations of bears would be trained to stay clear of humans. It is evolution in its best form, instinct. Those pushing so much to not hunt also don't account for humans here sharing the habitat. If their theory is to be seen to fruition then they should fight to put brown bears back on the Pacific coast from Alaska to central California and move the human inhabitants out away from bears and all animals for that matter. It won't work there and shouldn't be expected to work here in Montana.

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Name (optional):

Kelly Solberg

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If numbers support a grizzly bear hunt, I am in favor of Montana FWP conducting a special hunt.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cody Hart

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open Grizzly bear hunting in any capacity. It is time the grizzly bears learn to fear humans. I'm tiered of Hearing about bear attacks and fearing for my family and my safety when enjoying our time outdoors in this beautiful state. How may more people have to die or get seriously maimed...none

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need a check on the grizzly population in many areas of the state. It gets more dangerous every year.

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Name (optional):

Mike Forzley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have concerns regarding the hypothetical but proposed hunting of Grizzly Bears in Montana, mostly related to the safety of hunters, other people who recreate on public lands, and the bears themselves. Grizzly Bears are unlike any current game species in Montana. They can be exceedingly dangerous when confronted by humans, and being a licensed hunter in Montana should not be the only pre-requisite for obtaining legal permission to hunt Grizzly Bears. I grew up hunting in Montana, and I am a wildlife biologist working in the state. I understand that most hunters do adhere to ethical and responsible fair-chase standards, but there are exceptions to that rule. Many elk and deer are wounded and lost during every single hunting season in Montana. If these same standards are applied to Grizzly bear hunting, people will absolutely lose their lives. Grizzly Bears can and will charge/maul hunters if they are wounded, even if they are suffering from fatal injuries. Likewise, a sub-lethal wound to a Grizzly bear, which enables it to move freely and evade further attempts by a hunter to shoot it, could result in a dying, wounded, and desperate bear traveling through areas in which other people recreate. This would put the lives of other people at risk, as the propensity for ailing wildlife to attack humans is well documented and understood. This risk is heightened as Grizzly Bears continue to recolonize their historic ranges, at or around human population centers. The vast majority of hunters in Montana have never pursued dangerous game, and they are unprepared to hunt Grizzly Bears in a safe manner. Any potential Grizzly bear hunting must be accompanied by mandatory training instructed by wildlife biologists, the goal of which would be to teach hunters how to responsibly pursue dangerous game. Moreover, all potential Grizzly bear hunters should be required to attend training related to the differentiation between male and female bears, a task which is extremely challenging for even the most experienced bear biologists. Frankly, I do not understand how hunters can be expected to accurately differentiate between male and female bears, when even the most experienced bear biologists cannot do so with absolute confidence. It seems inevitable that there will be Grizzly hunting in Montana, but it must be done in a responsible manner. The wildlife in Montana is a public resource, and that includes the non-hunting public, which make up the vast majority of our state's population. Moreover, the funds for Grizzly bear conservation are exceedingly federal, and the non-hunting public has paid more than their fair share to conserve this species. This should not be a singular conversation directed by sportspeople, as the risks of potentially hunting Grizzly Bears are shared equally among us all.

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Name (optional):

David Barbisan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Thanks for the opportunity to comment on the future of grizzly bear management in Montana. I feel strongly that this bear management program should include regulated sport hunting as a management tool. The fact is humans and human activity are part of the bear's ecosystem. Montana FWP does an effective and good job of managing our wildlife and habitat for numerous species and our universities train professionals in the field of wildlife management. Let these professionals manage with the use of sound scientific information and utilize the North American Model of Wildlife Management. The effective management of grizzly bears in Montana that includes regulated sport hunting is within the scope of duties of our FWP professionals and I feel can be an illustration of wildlife management success and celebration of wildlife recovery.

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Name (optional):

Mike Forzley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have strong reservations regarding the lack of bear biologists on the Grizzly Bear Advisory Council. As per the council member bios, there is only one member with biology training, although they are not currently working as a wildlife biologist in Montana. The council must consider the latest and most informed Grizzly Bear research, as provided by universities, NGOs, and state and federal scientists. The entire goal of the council should be to use the best available science to inform conservation and management, and it is perplexing why a scientific perspective is not part of the conversation.

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Name (optional):

Jim Porter, Sr.

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

They could put a limit on the # of Grizzly permits given out on a trial basis to begin with. That way, it could be shut down or made larger the next year.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

From my point of veiw grizzly bears need to be managed by the FWP . A hunting season would be good for all involved including the grizzlies themselves.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Even if only a few grizzly tags are available each year a lot of money could be raised by using a lottery system such as is being used for other game. That money then can go towards the research of the grizzly bear.

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Name (optional):

John Limbach

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Science based studies 100% support a hunting season for grizzly bears not only in Montana but Idaho and Wyoming as well. The fact that a regulated limited take season has not been opened is purely political. The states should have the right to regulate hunting seasons for all game animals based on science through the individual states departments of fish and game. The fact that some Misinformed judge can make a decision based on political opinions and motivation is wrong, harmful, and against what the founding fathers intended for this nation. The same goes for wolves. The judges that ruled against hunting seasons for bears and wolves in Montana, Wyoming and Idaho need to be held accountable. They need to be tried for not upholding what they were sworn in to do. Federal and state judges should be above politics . When they are not then this is when our system starts to fail and this great country becomes more and more like a banana republic.

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Name (optional):

Ellary TuckerWilliams

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council,

Thank you for the opportunity for the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) to comment on the use of hunting as a valuable management tool to ensure the long-term viability of grizzly populations in the tristate area of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming. With over three decades in the policy arena, the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) works with different levels of government to advance and protect our outdoor sporting heritage and traditions. Rooted in the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus, the largest, most active bipartisan caucus on Capitol Hill with nearly 250 Members of Congress, CSF has extended this legislative network from Washington, DC to states across the country, establishing the bipartisan National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC) and the Governors Sportsmen's Caucus (GSC). Presently, NASC is comprised of 49 state legislative caucuses with over 2,500 legislators (including the Idaho Legislative Sportsmen's Caucus), while the GSC includes more than half the governors from throughout the country. Together, CSF and this collective force of bipartisan elected officials work to protect and advance hunting, angling, recreational shooting and trapping for the nearly 40 million sportsmen and women who spend over \$90 billion annually on outdoor pursuits.

Grizzly populations in the tristate area of Montana, Idaho and Wyoming have recovered, thus in accordance with the Endangered Species Act, all management authority should be transferred back to state wildlife agencies. State management will bring into play a number of strategies—including the use of limited, regulated hunting to ensure the long-term viability of grizzly populations, as well as address human-wildlife conflict and public safety concerns.

CSF supports state grizzly bear management with hunting for these reasons: (1) grizzly bear recovery goals for the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem population have been met; (2) the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem population of 1,029 bears has greatly expanded beyond the initial designated recovery zone into habitats with human and livestock presence—causing significant human-wildlife conflicts and public safety concerns; (3) studies have determined grizzlies are adaptable to changes in habitat; (4) delisting the grizzly bear and transferring management to state wildlife agencies ensures continued conservation of the species while also increasing funding for habitat conservation through the sale of licenses for limited hunting opportunities and 5) population control is inevitable, as there is a finite amount of biologically and socially suitable habitat in which grizzly bears can exist with minimal human conflict.

State wildlife agencies in Montana, Idaho and Wyoming have collectively spent millions of dollars over the last four decades on programs to study grizzlies, monitor populations and conserve their habitat. The hunters and anglers of these states who purchase hunting and fishing licenses, generating millions of dollars for programs to benefit grizzly bears and other wildlife, made these efforts possible. This revenue stream will continue to be available for grizzly bear conservation under state management—and will be significantly enhanced, if states are able to sell limited license opportunities for grizzly bear hunting. Being that population control and problem bear removal is unavoidable, grizzly bear population management can either cost tax payers money by paying state fish and wildlife agency personnel to reduce populations to current biologically and socially suitable habitat carrying capacity or increase state revenue by allowing hunters to pay for the privilege of harvesting a predetermined number of grizzly bears, based on the best available science at the state fish and wildlife agencies' disposal.

Regulated hunting of grizzlies should follow these parameters:

- Establish that either sex grizzly bears may be taken, except adults accompanied by young, and young accompanied by adults.
- Establish that immediately after harvest of a grizzly bear, the tag must be validated and securely attached to the hide.
- Add grizzly bear to the list of species for which evidence of sex must be left naturally attached to the hide until mandatory check requirement has been fulfilled.
- Establish requirement that any hunter who kills a grizzly bear must report harvest within 24 hours by calling a toll-free grizzly reporting number.
- Establish a mandatory check requirement for grizzly bears whereby any harvested grizzly bear skull and hide must be presented to a state wildlife agency regional office for checking within 5 days of harvest.
- Establish targeted grizzly bear hunts in areas with significant human/livestock conflicts.
- Prohibit grizzly bear hunting within 200 yards of any designated dump ground or landfill.

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- Establish a rule to limit harvest of a grizzly bear to once per lifetime.
- Protect the identity of individuals who draw grizzly bear hunting licenses and those who legally harvest grizzly bears.

Once again, thank you for this opportunity to comment on the importance of hunting to the long-term and sustainable management of grizzly bears in the tristate area.

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Name (optional):

Dr. LeRoy Hileman

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

GYE Grizzly bears need to be removed from ESA protection immediately and handed over to State management.

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Name (optional):

Dan Rader

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Either open up legal hunting as a management tool, or look the other way as we take care of the problem ourselves.

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Name (optional):

Jimmy Moreland

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Moreland
President, Tampa Chapter
Regional Representative District 28
Safari Club International

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Name (optional):

Robert

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If you truly care about the grizzly you will base your decisions in the scientific data available not emotionally.

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Name (optional):

Tim Wilkes

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please consider the need for grizzly bear management including hunting as a tool. There are more than enough bears and in reality they are encroaching on human range. I like them and want them but they are very sustainable now. I have been here since 1979 and there are far more now than there was then. Those who would oppose it are not considering the hazards and lost resource. They merely want to completely control the resource. Other countries have fewer conflicts where there is a season and they still have a thriving population. Thank you for all you do to protect our unique and excellent state.

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Robert

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Name (optional):

Terry Hyer

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have hunted for big game as a non-resident in Montana approximately 10 years out of the past 15 years. In the course of my Montana hunts I think I have seen more grizzly bears and sign than I have seen in my home state of Alaska over the same time frame. Also in Montana I have personally met the only individual ever met that was a victim of a bear mauling. You have a grizzly bear population that warrants increased management.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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Name (optional):

Tom Lovas

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Managed, controlled hunting is beneficial for wildlife conservation for all species. A managed and monitored Grizzly bear hunt is beneficial to the species and assists in ensuring the longevity of the resource for the benefit of wildlife enthusiasts of all kinds. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Mack Moore

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt. I also urge an option for non-residents to be included in the lottery process.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Sincerely,
Mack A. Moore

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Q1

Name (optional):

Michael Tvardzik

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please allow hunting of brown bears. With the recent attack on the hiker we need it more than ever. I believe taking out the old boars will help the species overall. I live in Montana and I see the effects. Over 50 bears were killed last year. Think about the money generated from tag sales or the governor's tag auction. The animal rights activists do not understand the situation and anthropomorphize all animals. Look to Alaska or Northern Provinces of Canada. They have a healthy sustainable population that draws hunters from around the world. The people who support no hunting do NOTHING for the state in regards to management and volunteering their time. I am a lifetime member of the MTA and I'm invested in the well being of this great state. Unfortunately most comments against this are from out of state.

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Name (optional):

Brian Meitler

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Management of wildlife is essential in preventing overcrowding, maintaining animal health and preserves the numbers of other species. I ask for your support in controlling Grizzly Bear numbers through a managed hunt.

#829

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Q1

Name (optional):

greg mathews

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time to hunt the grizzly bear. The actual number is way higher than the objective put forth. Do not listen to all the enviromentalist that has no number in mind that will let this happen. There are to many bears as they are now roaming further than ever thought possible. They have been reported in the Big Snowy mtn. Little Belts, Highwood Mtns. as far as Loma. East of Shelby clear to Galata When is it going to be far enough??? When they have traveled to the North Dakota border, down the Yellowstone to Glendive. The DNA evidence says there is way more bears than ever thought When is enough enough???????????

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Name (optional):

James Atlee Hamilton

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I would advise that you allow managed Grizzly Bear hunts in Montana as the results of not allowing a managed Grizzly Bear hunt could be disastrous for both the bears and the residents of Montana.

#831

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Name (optional):

Matthew Klumpp

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I have lived in the Tom Miner Basin for the last 17 years and have been going to the area for the last 35 years. There has been a remarkable shift in the number of grizzly bears in the area in that time and more and more human bear conflicts it seems like every year. The record of sightings in one evening in one field a few miles from my home is 19 different bears that could be seen at the same time. I can see a grizzly virtually any day I want to from the spring to the fall. It has become a tourist destination to drive down the road I live on in the summer rather than go to Yellowstone to see a Grizzly. The behavior of these bears has changed and by in large they have lost their fear of humans. I greatly support having a sensible science based hunting season for the Grizzlies in this area and other areas that would support it based on population etc. My comments are all based on what I see and know not from emotion and ulterior agendas. Thank you, from someone who lives with these great animals.

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Name (optional):

Chris

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Sincerely,

Chris Eastep

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Name (optional):

Steve k

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As an avid hunter who sees the populations of Grizzlies and talks to the concerned ranchers I support the conservation of Grizzlies through hunting.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cody kerr

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to open a grizzly season they are gettin too used to not being hunted and are not afraid to come to town . I live by Redlodge mt and we get more GRIZZLYS every yr here. A limited number of hunting permits in each hunting zone along the beartooth front would really help. Cattle ranchers from redlodge to the wy border are losing more cattle every too grizzly kills and relocating prob bears does not work they will be back in a week. Let mt residents be able to purchase grizzly tags for a yr and see how it goes.

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Cody kerr.

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am very much in favor of having a grizzly bear hunt for the public

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Q1

Name (optional):

Corwin

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a bowhunter but we need to do something with these bears population it needs to be decreased bad 4 bear attacked last year during the bowhunt and come on now i know they are a wonderful creature and pertected but eliminate a few so we dont have any more attacks create some tags

#837

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Q1

Name (optional):

Stacey Kleinsmith

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans. Responsible management of Grizzly Bear Populations is responsible and ethical.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This is imperative.

Sound Wildlife Management and specifically The North American model of wildlife management is the most effective tool in creating value in wildlife populations to become self sustaining by consumptive users. Involving the user groups who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

You have an amazing tool in your kit to ensure long-term sustainability. Use it.

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Q1

Name (optional):

William Glaser

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please listen to experts at Safari Club on getting the bear population under control. The people/bear problems are going to get out of control if you let the bear population explode without a Grizzlie hunting season with appropriate numbers.

#839

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Q1

Name (optional):

Don

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting grizzly bears would be very profitable for the state

The grizzly bears are now everywhere in the state and that is very dangers for the public

I think if you just have a draw for 5 bears for a large sum like 2500.00.

That way if would weed out the nOvice hunter and only have the more serious hunter apply. Even if you did like a damage hunt but we all know you harvest a few grizzlies that have been attacking cattle etc. with no profitability

What ever you charge, you will have ppl willing to pay it

Just have a few to start with and only in a certain area to test it out

#840

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support hunting grizzly bears in the lower forty eight. Science has proven they are well beyond recovered. We need to put fear back into the grizzly. Culling out a few bears will be great all around.

#841

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I lived in NW Montana several years ago and at that time the Grizzly population had gotten out of control. Multiple run ins with angry sows as during black bear season became the norm. Fair Management of the Grizzly is a reasonable request for the safety of humans.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

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Q1

Name (optional):

kevin Erickson

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

there are getting to be so many grizzly bears you need to watch behind you as much as in front when elk and deer hunting Big bear management needs to start with a hunting season

#843

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Name (optional):

Gus perez

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please let the wildlife professionals decide what to do and listen to their suggestions. If the answer is to manage the bear population through control hunting please listen and follow instead of politicizing this issue

#844

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Controlled hunting of grizzly bears is way over do. I'm not a hunter anymore at 73 years old. I do enjoy our great Montana outdoors and will protect myself however.

#845

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Q1

Name (optional):

Travis Walker

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies are way over populated and are fully recovered. They need to be managed by hunters.

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Name (optional):

Ross Allen

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I live in Texas but spend as much time in Montana as I can, visiting family and friends in Bozeman, Billings and Garfield County. The state is truly beautiful and I look forward to many more visits to this amazing state.

In order for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to effectively accomplish their goals, it's imperative for council members to seriously weigh and consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. This cannot be stressed enough. As bear mortalities increase and human-bear conflicts continue to rise, the status quo cannot be maintained as it'll come to the detriment of both the grizzly bears and Montanans.

Well-managed hunting is a long-standing and effective cornerstone of effective wildlife management. A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

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John Vanko

Q3

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I hope you will support the managed hunting of Grizzly Bears in Montana. We no longer live in the year 1800, and human-bear interactions are a reality we must deal with. The good people of the Montana FWP deal with these problems every day. They don't want to eliminate all Grizzly Bears - they want to manage them. Part of that management is hunting - controlled and limited and monitored very carefully. I will never get to hunt a Grizzly Bear, but just knowing that they exist in managed, huntable numbers brings hope to me for future generations - the bears are there, we have been good stewards, and we will continue to do so.

#848

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Q3

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I am in favor of limited grizzly bear hunting in units bordering or near Yellowstone, Rocky Mountain Front, and Great Bear/Bob Marshall/Scapegoat Wilderness complex but not Cabinet/Yaak.

#849

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Nate

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Open Hunting up for Grizzlies Controlled Hunt Format

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Douglas True

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I think we have enough and should control the numbers from this point on.

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Name (optional):

Blair gjesvold

Q3

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Where Gjesvold Fairfield Montano my daughter lives in by Bynum Montana I can send you videos she just took today of grizzly bears big and large or rather large and small running across the creek basically right by our home no I have two grandchildren there 1215 the five-year-old will not let the two-year-old near her bushes because of the bear problem now couple years ago we were hunting pheasants by the ranch and a bear charged and my daughters cousin's husband put 212 gauge shots into it we're really tired of it you have a bear problem that's what you have That's what you have to start getting into your head it doesn't matter if you're a trust baby from the east or are over pampered idiot from California you have a bear a problem here now we put up with these bears constantly I kids can't plan a yard we can't hunt our own ground we have a really hard time right now or cabs it's at a point where you have to start taking some action enough is enough this is not about trust and money running into this state or buy more land for a Corredor for the grizzly bear we have not thousands of acres put aside we have millions of acres put aside know I've given come at 10 and depositions if you will Add meetings then I went to the Fish and game meetings yes they have a number that they want in court or one I don't have a problem with that we are in court or three and we have a bear a problem yes you have met your quota in one you're pushed it out into two and now you are pushed it out into three to the point where are you are beyond your means no when my child can't go to school without having bear grills again you have a bear a problem it doesn't matter what you've been told or what the what the fishing game tells the public you have a bear problem this is been going on for It's been going on for years no the numbers have gone way past what they should be you're taking your 1200 bears you push 300 on his own to you have another 300 or whatever or more in zone three now if you need some help then and I'm out let me know the game and fish says hey some back bullshit you don't hate back barricades we've done it with four wheelers and they attack again you have a bear a problem there is nothing the governor can do other than protect Montanans do not protect his liberal interests because again you have a bear a problem

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Name (optional):

Jakob Thompson

Q3

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Mr. Governor,
Grizzly bears in Montana should be managed the same way we manage all other large fauna in Montana, by hunting them.
Sincerely, Jakob Thompson

#853

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Name (optional):

Scott Meyers

Q3

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It is time to let "Montana Sportsman" to be able to start utilizing this renewable animal. If there is a problem bear let a Montanan harvest it. I would have no problem paying \$1000 dollars for this chance.

#854

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Name (optional):

Harold Johnson

Q3

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A regulated grizzly bear season falls in line with Montanas hunting traditions. Biologists have shown that we have more grizzly bears than habit needed to support them. How many of these bears are being killed for livestock predation or causing problems? Open a season, sell tags, regulate it. Now is the time to make that happen.

#855

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We took videos today I had a ranch about 40 miles from the front two big bears one small or a little less immature bear very close to houses very close to ranches no they were not in zone one night in zone two they were away from millions of miles that we put on the side from the spare know enough Seneff hunt him or allow us to hunt him they have no fear of man when they are actually in Shoto montana stocking a child waiting for a bus then you as a counsel and I have a governor have to start taking some action Hunt these bears and do it actively your pure Solvay nothing by putting people at risk those bears have a habitat they have millions of acres why I allow them to control our acres now fix the problem or we will fix the problem

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Please when considering this issue, remember that it differ not from all other hunting issues. If it is scientifically wise to hunt in order to control and the population, and minimize bear-man confrontation, then do it. This decision must be made with data and not emotion. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Clinton Nagel

Q3

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The status of grizzly bears deserves serious deliberation and should be framed in the consciousness of the best available science. Can this species survive the threats facing them? In this context, trophy hunting is not an option. Trophy hunting is not a conservation tool used to keep population numbers under control. This species is facing grave threats from habitat loss, inbreeding, loss of food supply, climate change, kills from predator control, roadkills and loss of species connectivity.

I am against trophy hunting for all those reasons plus the fact that it is an arrogant practice with no redeeming value. This iconic species deserves more respect than that. Let science speak with the goal in mind to allow this bear to become a self reliant species without man's interference. Action should only be taken against a bear if it threatens to harm man.

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As a Montanan I would like to see Grizzly bear management turned back over to the state once they are delisted as an Endangered Species. I am fully supportive of a hunting season if MT FWP deems it viable at the current population levels. They have successfully managed black bears, mountain lions and wolves without driving them into extinction and the Grizzly will be no different. Lets not have the out of state special interest groups tell us how to manage our wildlife that we must tolerate on a daily basis.

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Scott Norris

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WildEarth Guardians Supporters

Q3

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13212 Executive Ridge Drive NE
Albuquerque, NM 87112

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Jordan Hashemi-Briskin
2850 Middlefield Road
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Apr 11, 2020

Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council

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Dear Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council,

I strongly oppose trophy hunting of all animals, but especially of threatened species like the grizzlies of the lower 48. While the brown bear is slowly recovering after near-extirmination, this majestic species remains absent from nearly 98% of its historic range.

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5265 West Sunset Rd
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I cannot imagine allowing such a cruel and destructive
practice as that of trophy hunting these wonderful
and majestic bears. Not to mention all the money
made from people like me and hundreds of thousands of others who come
for the possibility of seeing them
in person.

SHAME on you if you allow it.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Renée Vance
5265 West Sunset Rd
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859 Princeton St
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Kate Fuller
820 NW 19th St
McMinnville, OR 97128

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Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council

Subject: Stop trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana

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Sincerely,
Kate Fuller

Minivere Wenzer
605 Hudson Ave.
Takoma Park, MD 20912

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Abby Wanamaker
2141 Layton St
Pasadena, CA 91104-1805

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I'm retired and pay property taxes on our ranch in Montana. I don't want to see our natural resource sold off to the highest bidder.

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Again, I am in strong opposition of trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana.

Sincerely,
Karen Bright

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I ask you to please let these creatures remain undisturbed from trophy hunting and not allow hunters to take what they don't need from the Earth.

Sincerely,
Isabel Allen

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Sincerely,
Monica Arnold

Teresa Powers
711 Seneca Meadows Rd
Winter Springs, FL 32708

Apr 16, 2020

Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council

Subject: I oppose trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana

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We have worked so hard for four decades to bring the grizzly bear back from the brink of extinction, so the idea that Montana would authorize trophy hunting is discouraging and distressing. Trophy hunting is unethical and a vestige from a bygone era. It is particularly inappropriate for the iconic grizzly bear that is still imperiled and has a very slow reproduction rate.

Grizzlies face continuing threats from climate change, dwindling key food resources, illegal poaching, lack of connectivity among populations, and the negative impacts from roads and railroad tracks fragmenting their habitat. In fact, the past two years saw record rates of grizzly bear mortality in Montana. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana will only lead to a further decline of an already fragile population and would make a connected metapopulation-essential for

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Name (optional):

Stacy Bragg

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am a 5th generation resident in Park county, and backcountry enthusiast of 50 years. We still own the original homesteaded property on the east side of Paradise valley since 1881. We currently have the 7th generation ranging from 3 to 12 years old living on the ranch, which is a rarity these days. From 1881 to 2000 ranching operations, renters, recreationists, loggers, hunters have been safe to conduct these action for over a century. Generations of kids have played in the foothills, hiked and fished to George lake, named after my great grandfather Joe George.

Since 2000 the increase of apex predators such as the grizzly bear has resulted in making above mentioned activities unsafe. This result has forced us to be armed for protection. children are no longer safe to play outside of the immediate ranch buildings. The days of feeling safe on our own property have disappeared, the same feeling one gets when your in high crime areas of our decaying inner cities. Continued unchecked apex predator populations allowed increase will result in an increase of unfavorable human-bear interactions. With continued presence of the territorial older boars pushing juvenile bears out of the back country, an increase of problems in rural and urban communities will escalate for the coming decades.

We need a common sense management of these apex predators, this includes hunting quotas, and increased protections for citizens protecting them selves, livestock pets and property put in harms way of these growing bear populations, not to mention protections of our ungulate populations. The amount of tags and successful elk harvested in the Absaroka- Beartooth wilderness are down over 90 % in the past 30 years adding more hardship to small local communities expecting those hunting and outfitter dollars. An increase of grizzly populations will result in an increase of elk calf predations resulting population decreases in the northern Yellowstone areas.
sincerely Stacy Bragg

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Q1

Name (optional):

Luke

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open the opportunity to harvest and reduce the numbers of Grizzly Bears in the state of Montana. I want to raise my children to hunt and fish but I'm scared to take them into the forrest with me. Open up the seasons or you will start to see an already declining population of hunters/huntresses get worse. Plus the bunny huggers don't pay and support the FWP us sportsman do.

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Name (optional):

Stuart Farnsworth

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please use sound science based logic and offer grizzlies to hunting. The same(or less) net bears will die, the proceeds for management could be huge and bear/human run ins will be reduced. Charge big for the tags and application fees and use the money wisely!

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support the fair chase hunt of grizzlies!

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Name (optional):

Donn Sponholz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As an avid outdoorsman in Montana for almost 14 years I am privileged to comment on bear hunting to this council. I was blessed to have been a federal fish biologist in western Alaska working 8 months a year in the bush back in the 80's. Mostly on Kodiak Island. I experienced first hand how hunting affected bears in remote areas. To be short, if any smell you, discounting juveniles, they exit. Never getting between a sow and cubs, avoiding kills and making noise when appropriate is always order of the day but it's never even the beginnings of a guarantee. They avoided us on Kodiak because in the spring and fall they are hunted. They are not King Rat and they know it. Montana needs a hunting season for our grizzly population. They are smart enough to learn what we are capable of. The Kodiak bears were very respectful of us and I am certain hunting was why. Add me to the list as a proponent for a regulated season for grizzlies in Montana. Increase revenues for FW&P with a limited hunting season and begin to make our state safer for all Montanans.

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Name (optional):

Scott A

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I agree with the following

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A proposed grizzly bear hunt will be highly regulated by Montana FWP and only permit a few select bears to be taken in the process. These types of managed hunts can restore balance, involve more stakeholders impacted by the bears, and subsequently boost funding for grizzly bears through a lottery or similar mechanism related to the hunt.

Involving more hunters and consumptive users who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting ungulate species, and reducing human-bear conflicts.

Regars,
Scott A

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Name (optional):

Tom Sullivan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support Montana's FW&P to managing the grizzly bears in MT and to include sport hunting as a method to manage bears.

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Name (optional):

Walter Senkow

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

as a frequent visitor to Montana for hunting and recreational purposes, I strongly support all efforts at keeping Grizzly number in check through hunting.

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Social tolerance is important for successful conservation programs. From its experience with wolves, Montana knows the value of social tolerance for predator species. As with wolves, hunting will be an important aspect of grizzly bear management once any of Montana's bears populations are delisted from the federal Endangered Species Act, Bear Trust International fully supports an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears.

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Name (optional):

Jay Link

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open a regulated sport hunt for this Iconic species to insure it's long term survival!

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Name (optional):

Chad Weaver

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As with every other large game species, it is time for the population of grizzly to be managed by fwp to include hunting seasons in areas that the population is at or exceeding objectives

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Q1

Name (optional):

Randall Stone

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlies need to be managed the same as other big game in the state, by hunting.

#901

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Name (optional):

Kerry White

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please accept the following comments in regards to future management of the Grizzly Bear in Montana on behalf of Citizens for Balanced Use.

First I would like to see the name of the person submitting the comment as a mandatory requirement, not optional. Anonymous comments should not be accepted.

Our organization believes it is time for the Grizzly Bear in Montana to be delisted. The Grizzly Bear has recovered in Montana by all reports and is now expanding into additional range causing conflict and safety concerns. The Grizzly is currently not a hunted animal and has no fear of humans. This has resulted in the Grizzly becoming more aggressive in nature. Removing the Grizzly Bear from the endangered species list and allowing wildlife managers to use hunting as a tool will help in management and also a learning tool for the bear. A hunting component will benefit not only the bear in reducing conflict but also benefit the state in increased revenue for management and lastly benefit the public hunter by having another opportunity in harvesting wildlife in Montana including the Grizzly Bear. Keeping the Grizzly Bear on the Endangered Species list after science shows the Grizzly Bear has recovered is detrimental to the integrity of listing any animal. Listing an animal is for the purpose of recovery. With the success of the Grizzly Bear recovery a delisting would show this program at least has some success. Finally, Citizens for Balanced Use is opposed to managing any wildlife species by what is socially acceptable. FWP has a tendency to follow social acceptance in wildlife management decisions when in fact FWP has numerous wildlife biologists with knowledge of proper management. Emotion should not drive wildlife management decisions, they must be based on science. The science clearly shows the Grizzly Bear has recovered, the Grizzly Bear needs to be removed from the Endangered Species list, and a properly managed hunting season should be implemented. Thank You,
Kerry White, CBU

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need to start thinking about our state 5 years down the road. We are already overpopulated by griz here in Montana. It's becoming an issue for hikers, farmers, and wildlife. We need to start looking at thinning them out and taking back the reins by having them fear us. Just like we did with the wolves.

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Name (optional):

Erik Agostoni

Q3

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Involving more hunters and other stakeholders who are impacted daily by grizzly bears can ensure the council's effectiveness at accomplishing their goals, promoting biodiversity, protecting other species, and reducing dangerous human-bear conflicts.

Hunters are the best conservationists across the world, caring for the animals they hunt through land management and significant financial contributions, so let them do the job they have done so well for generations.

Sincerely,

Erik Agostoni

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Name (optional):

Kalan Lemon

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please open up grizzly bear hunting in Montana, The #s have reached a sustainable, if not nuisance levels, allowing hunting would bring revenue into the state and the rural local economies Thank you for your consideration

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Name (optional):

E. Ross Allen, Jr.

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzlybear hunting should be kept on the books to allow for controlled hunting to allow the bear population to thrive.

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Name (optional):

Jeff Wachendorf

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The people of Montana overwhelmingly support the hunting and control of the population, out of state special interests could care less about the people who live and work here, it's time to send a strong message to these organizations, we'll manage our wildlife.

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Q3
Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time to remove the grizzlies.

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Name (optional):

Steve Felter

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support fair chase hunting of grizzly bears with quotas supported by FWP biologist.

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Name (optional):

Joe Schultz

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support managed grizzly bear hunting edit scientific and managed by the fishing game department's

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Q1

Name (optional):

David House

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Delist grizzlies now. Return to safe elk hunting depends on grizzly management.

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Name (optional):

Jan - An Outdoorswoman

Q3

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Name (optional):

Tina zenzola

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hi Dillon, can you switch the screen to speaker mode?

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Name (optional):

Tina Zenzola

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Can the speakers please elaborate on the "benefits perception"? Also, since Social Norms can be a powerful change agent, what does the literature say about how to change social norms?

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Ask Kraig Glazier how ranchers with livestock lost to grizzlies feel about social tolerance. It is important for the council to know how management is working for them.

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Name (optional):

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Could the researchers talk a bit more about the "weighting" process they'll be utilizing in regard to the survey?

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Name (optional):

Kristin Combs

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

How will this information on social sciences surrounding grizzly bears (which is really one of the main issues with grizzly bear management) be used by FWP in their management of grizzlies?

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Name (optional):

keith kubista

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

cost and funding of grizzly bear management is a topic the council discussed I didn't see it in the survey, why not?

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Name (optional):

John klinefelter

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think the state should open a season for Grizzly Bears and I think the number of tags should be an average of the number of bears that was euthanized over the last five years.

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Name (optional):

Ed Regan

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hunting should remain a viable management tool. Habitat set asides must allow for timber management.

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Bear Trust International

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Social tolerance is important for successful conservation programs. From its experience with wolves, Montana knows the value of social tolerance for predator species. As with wolves, hunting will be an important aspect of grizzly bear management once any of Montana's bears populations are delisted from the federal Endangered Species Act, Bear Trust International fully support an adaptive management approach that includes a hunting season for grizzly bears.

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Dan Larsson

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I like to hike, fish, and hunt as a native Montanan. I don't want to be eaten. Rising grizzly numbers make that possibly a greater risk every time I go out or take my kids. Grizzlies are not endangered any more. Please allow FWP to regulate their numbers through hunting.

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I am writing to express my views to the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council regarding a proposed grizzly bear hunt. I believe a properly regulated grizzly bear hunt should limit the number of bears taken to ensure the viability and health of the grizzly bear population, while at the same time limiting the number of grizzly bears to maintain other animal populations and reduce human/bear conflicts. Of course, the proposed grizzly bear hunt should be regulated by the Montana FWP in accordance with their mandate and with the use of the best available science.

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David Galt

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Carl Griffin

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Lou Fierens

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Name (optional):

Blake Henning

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

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Missoula, MT 59808
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www.rmef.org

April 17, 2020

Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council
State of Montana
1420 East Sixth Avenue
Helena, MT 59620

Members of the Council,

On behalf of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF), I want to thank you for your time and effort dedicated to the important issue of grizzly bear management in Montana. RMEF is a hunting-based conservation organization headquartered in Missoula with nearly 14,000 Montana members and more than 235,000 members nationwide. RMEF and its partners have completed 1,120 conservation and hunting heritage projects in the state with a combined value of more than \$200 million. These projects protected or enhanced 881,941 acres of habitat and opened or improved public access to 347,180 acres. These projects support our mission to ensure the future of elk, other wildlife, their habitat and our hunting heritage. They also surely benefit grizzly bears and their habitat needs.

RMEF strongly supports management of grizzly bears through regulated hunting and other viable tools. State wildlife agencies in Montana and the surrounding states of Idaho and Wyoming have spent millions of dollars over the past 40 years studying grizzlies, monitoring populations and conserving habitat. These efforts were made possible by the hunting and fishing licenses sold in these states to residents and nonresidents alike.

Grizzly populations in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem continue to exceed recovery criteria and the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem population of more than 1,000 bears has expanded its range beyond the initial designated recovery zone into habitats with human and livestock presence. Expanding grizzly populations and ranges have increased conflicts with humans and livestock, resulting in human, bear and livestock fatalities and significant impacts to ranchers, outdoor recreationists and distribution of elk and other wildlife.

RMEF maintains that grizzly bears are recovered and that they should be managed (through hunting and other effective tools) by state wildlife agencies—just as they manage elk, mountain lions, deer, black bears and other species.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this important issue.

Sincerely,

Blake Henning
Chief Conservation Officer

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Cody Mummey

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Grizzly Bear recovery efforts have been successfully fulfilled when considering the target numbers of grizzly bear populations in MT, ID, WY, and the Yellowstone ecosystem regions. The numbers of bear deaths each year are being artificially inflated and untruthfully represented across these regions to continue efforts for federal protection against an otherwise healthy grizzly population that exceeds the original target numbers for recovered status. These giant bears are admired by citizens, hunters, landowners, ranchers, tourists and environmentalists. The grizzlies need to be managed appropriately by each individual state. Considerations need to be made for the broad admirations, devastations, and consequences that are a reality which we all face co-existing with griz. In my opinion, opening a limited and state controlled hunting season is the most reasonable solution for reducing unwanted encounters resulting in grizzly, livestock, or human fatalities. The ability to manage the bear populations through hunting also provides a significant source of revenue for each state. The money provided through resident and non-resident tags sales, could adequately provide a budget for state management and even benefit supporting programs. A long term successful program could potentially even reduce costs for resident hunting and fishing licenses.

It's time to manage our grizzly bear population appropriately- I urge state FWP and Political officials to take the lead and establish a formidable season in Montana.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Hi, I so appreciate you broadcasting your meetings and putting so many resources online. I love hearing everyone's different perspectives. I wish you also provided transcripts for the meetings in addition to video. Thanks.

#930

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Name (optional):

Chuck Irestone

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am trying to listen to the presentation on April 9. But the video links are for the March presentation. Can you update?

Thanks, Chuck

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Caleb Gardner

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

As a local Montana resident, I have witnessed a notable increase in the frequency of sightings and an increased area that the grizzly bear population occupy. To classify the grizzly bear as endangered is no longer accurate. We must remember that humans are an effective tool to manage the population, and they need to be managed.

Comments/input/decisions should be made by people who will be living with these predators, not from people 1,000+ miles away with an agenda.

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Name (optional):

Andy Larsson

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We have needed a grizzly bear season for quite a while. The number of human conflicts with bears seems to increase and yet there is no means by which two control the numbers and the spread of the Bears. It's pretty easy to see that hunting not only provides a means of control but also generates revenue. It's a win-win. If bear injuries and fatalities continue to grow, who's going to be held financially responsible for the decisions made by fwp, and the federal courts. I'm aware that we have a law that protects some from being held responsible because of normally encountered dangers in outdoor pursuits. This was the basis of the dismissal of the case Omar hilston Family brought against fwp after fwp had condition grizzly bears to associate people with food on the Blackfoot Clearwater game range. I'm not sure but that argument would hold up in court if properly presented.

Bottom line, let's get these bears numbers under control, range limited too what's reasonable, and make it safer for those who are in the outdoors.

I'm not an outside interest group, I'm a lifetime resident of the state of Montana.

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Jim Loessberg

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I fully support the establishment of a limited hunting season of grizzly bears in the lower 48. In the long term it will be better for the bears as a general population and human conflict. I have hunted extensively through grizzly bear in Alaska and Canada. But yet I am the most nervous in grizzly country in Montana then anywhere I have been. In those areas where grizzlies have been hunted the general population have a greater respect for humans. I have had many encounters with grizzlies in those areas but none have been life threatening. Yet in Montana where grizzlies are accustomed and imprinted to the idea that humans mean food (such as responding to gun shots during hunting season and claiming elk, deer and my friends mountain goat) these bear are far more unpredictable and dangerous. It will take time but with hunting these bears will learn that maybe humans contact is not the best thing. This will hopefully greatly reduce grizzly/human contact and thus save more bears lives in the long run.

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Eric Christophersen

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I think it is important that all wildlife is managed through hunting once it is in the State's control. To continue to rely on other methods of control and management seems unsustainable. Grizzly bears, as with any other wildlife, are a renewable resource. I think we lose sight of that sometimes. I hope that a hunting season is utilized once the grizzly bear is delisted and put under the control of the state.

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Steve Marks

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There needs to be a role of hunting for the grizzly as a tool to keep our ecosystem in check with reality. The days are gone when one go in the back country and not worry about an encounter with a grizzly, heck we cannot even do that on our own private ground just south of Helena and not have to be concerned about a grizz encounter! As a rancher, we are no longer assured the our livestock will be left unharmed and or harassed. We were told that the wolves would not become an issue and look what has happened! The wolves are here and now we have to deal with it. Grizzly's have been spotted not 5 air miles from our property. The Mt. FWP and USFWS has taken one of our a basic private property rights with the invasion and threat of a grizzly encounter.

We are in the proposed "wildlife corridor" which further brings on more issues for the folks that like to recreate in the outdoors. As the grizzly become more established and population increase the dominate bears kick the younger bears out further onto the landscapes.

Also as federal and state land managers attempt to manage our diseased forest landscape, the grizzly is used as a pawn by environmentalist to stop sensible land and resource management.

Please carefully consider the impacts to private landowners and folks who enjoy the outdoors.

Thank you

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Millie Carson

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NO! No hunting of grizzlies. Greater Yellowstone grizzly populations are already and island population. Interconnecting them with other reproductive grizzly populations is already difficult, thus potentially leading to inbreeding issues. And the Bridger-Teton National Forest wants permission to exterminate 72 grizzlies over a 10 year period to protect grazing rights.

And the amount of money grizzlies and other wildlife viewing opportunities bring into the state far outweighs what hunting dollars could bring in.

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Millie Carson

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There are enough extraneous deaths of grizzlies each year to justify no trophy hunting. Each year, in Yellowstone alone, many bears are killed by vehicular collisions. How many are killed each year due to agricultural/human conflicts? There is no justification for trophy hunting!!!

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CTVA Action Committee

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Fod Thompson

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear situation in Montana has grown out of control. Ranchers are losing livestock and pets, people are being attacked simply because they stumbled upon a sow with cubs while out walking or hunting, and rural dwellers are having bear intrusions into their own yards. It's time to quit cowering to the "do gooders", and take a more reasoned approach to managing bears. One of the ways to do this is to allow a limited number of licensees to purchase grizzly bear tags and fill them.

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Name (optional):

John

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The North American Wildlife Management System works, and should be the model for the rest of the world. Unfortunately animal rights groups, are mobilized to overwhelm scientific wildlife management programs. Please stick with the science. On a personal note, I am seeing more Grizzly bears while hunting than ever before. On one hunt in the Bob I saw three different bears in one day, all within close range. This is anecdotal, but it would be interesting to know what other hunters are experiencing.

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Name (optional):

Adam

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I 100% believe the scientific community on grizzly bear management. Let's use science to manage bears not feelings and emotion. Hunting can and should be used as the North American model of conservation has a wonderfully proven track record.

#942

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Ladies & Gentlemen,

I enjoy having the grizzly bear around Montana. However, we are going to have to manage the grizzly bear at a finite number until there is more habitat available for them and/or fewer people in Montana. Perhaps both?

A well regulated hunting season is the best way to accomplish the healthy management of grizzly bears. Thank you.

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Please look into the numbers of these bears that are getting killed and put down each year. Montana will benefit from being able to hunt and manage these bears. Look at the science and numbers not emotions

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Social distancing and stay at home are vital to everyone's safety.

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Name (optional):

Austin Boutillier

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly support the hunting of grizzly bears.

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Dan E

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please do not allow trophy hunting of grizzlies. This would not help reduce grizzly/human conflicts. The Montana and Yellowstone ecosystems do better with grizzlies in them.

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

To whom it may concern. In regards to the grizzly bear future management, I believe if/when they are delisted hunting should be considered a management tool. Not only would it generate additional income but could lead to less tax dollars spent on bear conflict resolution. Hopefully this will be considered in an unbiased manner not fueled by feelings.

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Name (optional):

Chris

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Please let the biologist decide how the Grizzly Bear population is managed. Do not resort to a public vote or something similar. Please follow the North American Wildlife Management Model and base decisions off of science, not feeling. With this being said, if the scientist/ biologist determine that hunting of the Grizzly Bear is sustainable, I support management via hunters.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Angelo Ripepi

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I am writing to express my support in having the Grizzly bear managed by the MT FWP, which may include hunting.
When human-bear interactions get to a point that become disruptive, I agree with management thru other means which include hunting.
Thank you

#952

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Q1

Name (optional):

Greg Strong

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Just like in Wyoming it's time for grizzlies to be managed by Montana fish and wildlife.

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Q1

Name (optional):

steven pulaski

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I truly hope the council will follow the science that the greater Yellowstone area has reached a sustained number of grizzly bears. Its time to start allowing FWP and the State of MT to manage the species the same as all other wildlife. They are recovered, and a limited hunt should take place. I hope the council and FWP will not succumb to out of state emotional responses from anti hunting groups. Use hard numbers from biologist, not emotions.

Bozeman MT

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Q1

Name (optional):

Larry Rattray

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We have plenty of bears and they should be hunted. Listen to the people who are living with the bears and not the dream world from Disney movies

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Name (optional):

Anthony Chavez

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The number of bears we currently have is exceeding the initial amounts designated for recovery by the USFWS. There's no need for bears to continue to be listed even if the populations don't connect. We have probably 1200 of more bears in the NCDE, the bears are starting to spill over in Bigfork, St Ignatius, and other high population areas. The best way to take care of this problem is going to be hunting. We need to get some bears out of the population in the center of their range, so bears will not continue to spread out into populated areas causing a dangerous situation for both the bears and people.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Deborah Gudzevich

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

When there are no wild things left, the world will die too. Please don't let this mass murder take place. Care for the wild things.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alec Waldron

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bears are recovered. Hunting is the best tool to manage the population. We need to manage the population just like any other animal in Montana.

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Name (optional):

Steven Moe

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I support having a hunt for Grizzly Bears now that they have reached a hunt able population. This should help to reduce interactions with humans and livestock as well as insure that the bears are valued as a game animal and their long term survival.

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Name (optional):

Phil Ripepi

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The grizzly bear is a valuable resource, and resources need managed. Similar to elk, deer, pronghorn, and bison, this management should be arrived at by scientific research and where and when needed, carried out by selected and sex specific harvest. Like any population of animals, balance is critical. Too many elk, starvation and overall herd health suffers. Too many wolves, ungulate herd size will shrink. This needs done and carried out without emotion. It works on Kodiak Island, the most intensely studied bear population in the world. It will work in Montana. Easily stated, harvest excess of the oldest male when needed and prescribed by scientific research. You would have to be a darn fool not to understand or believe that, and do you want policy dictated by darn fools? If you said yes, you are already are one because who else would answer a written rhetorical question out loud?

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Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I strongly oppose a grizzly bear hunt.

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Name (optional):

K NYMAN

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

If you weigh the earth's terrestrial vertebrates, humans account for 30%, domesticated animals for 67%, wildlife for 3%. Surely we do not need to kill more of that 3%.

#962

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Name (optional):

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

I do not support any plan that does not include the hunting of bears. It has been the sportmen's dollars that have made the recovery of the grizzly possible.

#963

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Name (optional):

Cliff garness

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

i believe that it is imperative for council members to seriously consider a managed grizzly bear hunt. As with all species, animal numbers must be managed to a safe and responsible level. Grizzly bear vs human conflicts continue to rise and not only in mountainous terrain, but also on the plains of montana.

A proposed grizzly bear hunt can be closely monitored and regulated by Montana FWP to only allow a few Bears to be successfully harvested. These types of managed hunts can still allow the grizzlies to successfully roam in our ecosystem, while allowing a few bears to be harvested each year. I am confident that somehow dollars could be raised to put towards grizzly management and research, while also having the hunters supporting various businesses in the state through their travels and hunts.

I also feel that once the bears start to be hunted, they will get educated and this will help reduce grizzly and human conflicts. Please consider this request to instate a grizzly bear hunt in the state of Montana.

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Name (optional):

Bill Mckinley

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Touching on hunting again to finish my comment and justify the reasoning why selective harvesting (management) needs to be implemented sooner than later for successful Grizzly Bear management.

How do we find common ground to appease the majority in the middle (80%)?

More bears

Why more bears?

-Connectivity

-Increase trust with state management

-More opportunity for more people

 Money

 Tourism

 Hunting

More bears with hunting?

Yes.

Garth Mowat: In BC bear numbers increased from 1970-2000 with hunting seasons.

Larry VanDaele: Selective harvest of male bears increases population.

Wayne Kasworm: The death of bear 770 will help with genetic diversity. (Natural mortality not from hunting, but you see my point)

Mike Madel: When we had hunting season ranchers along the front were more tolerable of the bears.

Ranchers will be the key to expanding populations. As the bears move out of core areas in search of new territory the landownership changes from mostly federal land to private. Proactive management vs reactive is a must. The "tool box" needs to be full and ready!!!

I try to keep things brief and to the point but don't want to under exaggerate the importance of successful grizzly bear management.

Thanks again

Bill McKinley

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Name (optional):

Gregory Jones

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Wolves and bears are necessary for environmental health.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sarah Salisbury

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

We need hunting as a tool to be able to manage and protect against this predator. Period

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Name (optional):

Mike Dailey

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Grizzly bear management should be left up to the state of Montana and her residents. Too often critical predator management is dictated by out of state interests that are not directly affected by these animals. It seems that we are often sold out by our Fish and game to a very vocal minority. We should be managing on a fact based model and try to keep emotion out of critical wildlife decisions.

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Name (optional):

Jay Evers

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

HUNTING IS CONSERVATION. For those who oppose hunting, I recommend that you read "The North American Conservation Model." It is well thought out & well spoken. A parallel to "No Hunting" would be thinking that electric hand dryers save trees. When, in, fact, if you devalue trees, then they might be replaced with concrete if there is no value or return on planting them. Net, I harvest trees, & I plant them back. Renewable resources with value contribute to society & they're propagated. Wildlife equate to trees. If they're not managed, they both will become unhealthy. Yes, I love everything outdoors, & yes, I am a hunter. One Truth, & it is written. Gal. 6:9 ☐

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brad

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The bears should be de-listed and the state fish and wildlife dept. should be allowed to manage them based on scientific data and the North American model of wildlife management. State management should include hunting as a management tool.

#970

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Rice

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

There needs to be a hunt. In order to balance a wild life eco system. You NEED to manage All animals in that system. Grizzlies are killing more and more People every Year or injuring them. They are addapting to Humans(that is a bad thing) put a hunting into play and they will become more alert around humans.

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John Rice

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Name (optional):

JR

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

GB management needs to be approached from a scientific standpoint based on population #'s and human/bear conflict data. GB populations appear to be recovered throughout MT and conflict incidents are increasing. Serious consideration should be given to those who are impacted by GB's on a daily basis such as farmers and ranchers, wildlife managers, and land managers. Those small special interest groups funded by out of state dollars who's primary goal is to obstruct decisions that affect MT residents are not a viable representation of public sentiment and policy should not be built to appease them. Economic viability with GB policy also needs to have significant influence, too many policies and actions currently are dictated by GB influence while GB populations appear to be thriving. Agriculture, industry, forest management, hunting and other outdoor recreation are major economic drivers in MT and can easily coexist with GB's. It's far past time to prioritize the needs of MT residents, the health of our public lands, and our economic health over policy nuances that are pushed by obstructionist "environmental" groups.

GB populations are healthy within the state, delisting seems to be the next logical step and I strongly support that position. GB hunts may be a tool for future management, I'm not sure if that is the answer but I don't believe it can hurt.

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Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

It is time for a Montana Grizzly Bear Hunt. The introduction of more grizzly bears, they were already here, has caused a situation of risk of death to human beings in the entire western Montana region. We must now hunt them to give humans a chance to stay safe in the outdoors.

#974

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Name (optional):

Seth Boogaard

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

Greetings, I am aware that there are many struggles dealing with the legislature of grizzly bear protection under the Endangered Species Act. If we could go back in time and rewrite some of the policy regarding grizzly recovery and release from the ESA it would aid in favor of the judges decision to safely delist grizzlies in certain areas of Montana where their abundance is deemed stable. Recovered populations is a win for conservationists and I believe the grizzly bears have done just that in some areas of our state. There is little information presented publicly as to how many bears inhabit places outside of core recovery areas. What I have noticed is that local residents claim that there are more bears than what the government agencies claim to know. I am for delisting the grizzly bears off of endangered AND threatened lists. There should be a hunting season established and harvest quota's that are low and manageable. This will help reduce conflicts. Worse case scenario, the bears can be voted back onto threatened protection protocols. Let us use hunting as a tool to move forward in data collection and public engagement. Some folks will have issues with this, but that is life. I vote for a well regulated harvest system and believe that opening grizzly bear season will be a positive move for FWP.

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Name (optional):

Regina Beck

Q3

Please enter your comments for the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

No more grizzly bear hunting please!!
