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## Q1

Name (optional):

Brad

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## 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.

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Name (optional):

John Rice

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Q3

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

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### Q1

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John Rice

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### Q3

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### Q1

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JR

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### 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.

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Name (optional):

Seth Boogaard

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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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**Q1**

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Regina Beck

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**Q3**

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

No more grizzly bear hunting please!!

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Name (optional):

Ralph B

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Q3

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

Living on the Front, I support the de-listing of Grizzly bears and hunting as a management tool. We know the populations are growing and opposition is based on feelings rather than science.

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**Q1**

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Alex

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**Q3**

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

Hello FWP! First of all, I want to express my support for and appreciation of FWP's wildlife conservation efforts throughout the state.

I am an avid outdoor recreator based in Missoula; I enjoy backpacking, wildlife photography, and hunting. I cherish the presence of Grizzly Bears in our state, and I hope they are always here.

However, I strongly believe that it is time for the bears to be actively managed with limited permit hunting. By no means do I desire to see the population reduced significantly, and I myself have no desire to hunt them; rather, I believe tags given out to hunt Grizzlies would establish a new relationship between humans and the bears that will affect their behavior in a way that favors less human/wildlife conflict.

To rephrase: I am often concerned about my own safety when hunting, camping, and hiking in dense Grizzly Bear habitat, and the bears' lack of aversion to humans is a strong aspect of this fear.

As is the case with Black Bears, Wolves, and Mountain Lions, I believe that even a limited amount of hunting pressure on Grizzly Bears will tend to push them into wilder country (where they belong, away from roads and developments), and make them more apt to flee when hearing/smelling/seeing humans.

Please embrace the objective science in this situation: the population has recovered. Full Stop. They are no longer endangered. They need to be managed as our other large mammals are managed (ie with properly regulated hunting).

This is fact, not opinion. Misplaced anthropomorphized emotion has no place in wildlife management.

Thanks!

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## Q1

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Jack Atcheson

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## Q3

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

Team, I appreciate the work this group is doing on grizzly bear conservation in Montana. Montana has shown the world that it can greatly benefit wildlife by including hunting as an important conservation tool. Managing grizzly bears population in Montana without hunting will weaken grizzly bear conservation options. Grizzly bear are highly adaptable animals, the world wide foot print of this species is proof that they can survive in a very wide range of habitats from deserts, prairie lands or forests. Make hunting a part of the conservation tool box, it works! Thank you. Jack Atcheson

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Q3

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

We NEED a management plan to regulate the number of grizzly bears in Montana. Grizzlies have proven themselves time and time again that they no longer belong on the Threatened Species List. Thank you .

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