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Q1

Name (optional):

michelle Granucci

Q3

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

Please leave these animals alone. Wild animals share the earth with humankind, we must learn how to coexist peacefully. One is NOT greater than the other

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Name (optional):

Ken Sanford

Q3

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

A personal note, the Grizzly Bear is a symbol of the American west. It achieved special mention in the Lewis and Clark survey of the Northwest, following the Louisiana Purchase, as a beast of unknown d in bravery and determination when challenged by man. Also, in nature it a dominant predator and serves to eliminate old and weak species. This promotes better and healthier environmental conditions for the remaining species and improves the genetic diversity. Grizzlies and wolves are essential for a healthy natural environment and should be protected.

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Name (optional):

Johanna Ellison

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

Please do everything you can to protect these magnificent animals in the wilderness.

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Name (optional):

Sandra Jasprizza

Q3

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

Please stop the killing of our Bears & cubs just stop every Animal has a right to live in peace & in nature..

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Name (optional):

Robert Coen

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

Quality of life.

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

Helen Boucher

Q3

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

I'm writing to oppose trophy hunting of grizzly bears on public lands in Montana. The bears need spaces to be safe so they can increase their numbers as they are an important part of the ecosystem. Plus, trophy hunting is not very sporting and frankly only twits with a lot of money who don't know what they're doing would do it. A real hunter should be ashamed of that.

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Q1

Name (optional):

brigitte wallace

Q3

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

Only psychopaths kill animals for the joy of killing. There is no sport in it. Just the love of the power to kill and take a life.

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Name (optional):

michael coxsey

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

amy stewart

Q3

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

Consider what God says about HIs animals.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Revelation 4:11 KJV.

And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth. Revelation 11:18.

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Acts 2:38.

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Name (optional):

Lisa

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Q1

Name (optional):

linda

Q3

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

Grizzly bears do not pose a threat and should not be hunted.They should never be a trophy as this is a total waste of life. All animals have the right to live and roam .

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kari Fosse

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Name (optional):

Roger Graf

Q3

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

With their numbers increasing and habitats expanding, grizzly bears are not endangered. I live in a region thick with them. My wife, a few years back, had a frightening encounter with one on a hike. As a Montana resident in grizzly bear country (Trout Creek, Mt.), I am offended by outside groups pursuing ideological agendas dictating policies that threaten my family's livelihood and safety. This is a matter for Montanans and local residents to address. Our duly elected officials were chosen by us to protect and advance our interests, not those of well-heeled and tightly organized groups far removed from the daily and immediate consequences of their demands. Popular sovereignty means rule by us, not by pods of tightly knit ideologues.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jenise Dixon

Q3

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

The grizzly bear is not bothering anyone dont kill grizzly just to hang its head on a wall. Trophy hunters should be jailed

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Name (optional):

gabrielle

Q3

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

Please stop this horrible practice

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

I strongly ask you to stop the hunt against the grizzly bear of Montana is ancient and cruel thank you

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Q1

Name (optional):

Marie

Q3

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

The grizzly is an endangered species please leave the bear and its cubs to live in peace rather than killed to mount a head on the wall

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Name (optional):

Cindy Zick

Q3

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

We need to take our wildlife...no more killing...elders only killed for hunger

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Name (optional):

Judith Campo

Q3

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

Let the bears live their lives in peace. These bears and all wildlife in this world are NOT trophies.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Romy O

Q3

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

Each and every grizzly bear needs our protection as they area beautiful part of our heritage and deserve to be protected

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Name (optional):

Nancy Hadley

Q3

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

I support state management of the species. They need to be managed as a big game animal and their impact on other species including human interaction should be part of the management plan. Hunting should be a tool that can be used to manage the grizzly bear population. It is a cost efficient method of population control and wildlife management. Ethical regulated hunting has been a driving force in maintaining abundant wildlife populations since the early 1900's. Hunters and anglers have contributed more financial and physical support to the very successful wildlife management system in the United States than any other group of individuals.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Grizzlies have a God given right to live on this planet. Man does not need to move into, and take over, every part of this country. Leave the bears alone!!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Iora Iosi

Q3

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

Please be forward thinking, we need whole ecosystems . The untold potential "fixes" to be found for mankind need the presence of predators.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

v Abel

Q3

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

Grizzly Bear trophy hunting simply makes Montana look bad! We very much oppose this brutal practice in Montana and ask that you include these comments as part of the public record. Prior to COVID-19 people have been and will again travel from all over the world to Montana for a chance to see a grizzly bear. Given the beating that Montana's economy's taking it needs those tourists' monetary contributions!

Grizzly bear hunting would be a scar on the state's reputation. What's more hunting is unnecessary because top predators like grizzly bears control their own population and despite what has been said hunting won't change their behaviors either because grizzlies are solitary animals; Dead bears share nothing with any tribe/ pack/ offspring- let's be real here. When federal protections were removed from grizzly bears in 2017 Montana decided not to approve a grizzly bear hunt. Please uphold this decision in the future for the benefit at least of tourist-oriented local businesses

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robin Swope

Q3

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

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I have been to Yellowstone four times. While the park and the surrounding area is beautiful, I come primarily to see the animals. If the bears are gone I'll be going someplace else.

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Q1

Name (optional):

E.D. Crum

Q3

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

Do not allow hunting of grizzly bears! Trophy hunters are sick and should all be institutionalized....only psychopaths kill for pleasure.

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

Trophy hunting is never an acceptable practice.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bob Motz

Q3

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

The grizzlies are a wonderful creation of nature! They need to be protected in all their present ranges.

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Name (optional):

Michelle Morris

Q3

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

I believe that you should not take any actions against any wild animal unless absolutely necessary. We want future generations to be able to get to know about wildlife.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

You all didn't take the course I did with my degree in Wildlife Biology..... Its uneccary and cruel to even support this mgt plan..... 2020 will be a wonderful year to get rid of of those who don't believe in Wildlife Biology mgt concepts with "keystone" species

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tamara logan

Q3

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

Please stop killing wildlife. Bears and others are rightful inhabitants of this Earth just like we are. Their heads don't belong on our walls as decor.

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Name (optional):

angela wilson

Q3

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

no Grizzly bear trophy hunting

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nancy Fox

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are an American icon. Why are we killing this species all for the selfish interests of another species? As an official organization, you have the power to save grizzly bears. Please do your job.

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Q1

Name (optional):

stephanie

Q3

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

please save all grizzly bears

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

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

WTF is wrong with you, Does everything need to be endangered while you have blood thirsty idiots killing these majestic animals. There is no reason or need for this murderous action. STOP IT NOW and FOREVER

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jim Field

Q3

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

Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council Public Comments

In life and in business, you are either part of the problem or part of the solution. I sincerely hope the Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council will choose to be a significant part of the solution rather than a major part of the problem.

Thanks to decades of advocacy by caring individuals like me, grizzly bears in the lower-48 states are currently protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), making it illegal to harm, harass, or kill these bears, except in cases of self-defense.

Unfortunately, the state of Montana is currently considering a plan to authorize trophy hunting of grizzly bears as soon as ESA protections are removed. I am speaking up for grizzlies by letting the Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council know that I strongly oppose trophy hunting.

A lawsuit against the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) in 2017, when the agency illegally tried to strip ESA protections from grizzly bears living in the Greater Yellowstone region, was successful. At that time, the suit also successfully blocked planned grizzly bear trophy hunts in Idaho and Wyoming.

We've stopped grizzly bear trophy hunting before, and now I ask the Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to protect grizzlies once again!

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments. I strongly oppose 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.

I and many others who love these bears 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 this 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 recovery of the species-a near impossibility.

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 should take into consideration the perspectives of Tribal Nations, many of which consider the grizzly 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, who 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 by many, 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, I strongly oppose trophy hunting of grizzly bears in Montana. Please choose to be part of the solution rather than a force for the extinction of this remarkable species, a major tourist draw for Montana's economy.

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

Please no killing of the bears.

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Name (optional):

Marilyn Mayers

Q3

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If trophy hunting is allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness will no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jody Lewis

Q3

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

I completely oppose grizzly bear hunting of such a majestic animal!!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

C. Rising

Q3

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

No Trophy Hunting!

The grizzly bear is not only featured on Wilderness Watch's logo, but the Great Bear is a quintessential symbol of Wilderness and wildness, especially in parts of the western United States and Alaska where the great bear still roams.

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range.

Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management.

In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Even though the grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA, the state of Montana is considering allowing trophy hunting of grizzlies once they are de-listed from the ESA.

Trophy hunting of grizzly bears would be allowed on public lands, including wild lands within America's National Wilderness Preservation System and wild public lands immediately adjacent to Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live.

Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit.

Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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

stop murder of animals

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Q1

Name (optional):

Susan Swan

Q3

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

No trophy hunting of grizzlies!

#45

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rhonda Best

Q3

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

There should be no hunting of grizzly bears in Montana, or anywhere else. Their numbers are still so low.

#46

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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 don't let anyone kill any grizzly bears!

#47

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Q1

Name (optional):

ann mallon

Q3

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

stop the slaughter

#48

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charla D Bellant

Q3

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

Please don't kill the bears, they have family members they love and adore, please I beg you do not kill the bears!

#49

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Q1

Name (optional):

ruth hardin

Q3

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

Killing Grizzly Bear is barbaric. I can't believe this is happening in the U.S.! Is there any difference then compared to the Wuhun Wet Markets in China?

#50

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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 stop this killing practice. We as a people are becoming hateful and more importantly, hurtful.

#51

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Q1

Name (optional):

Francisco Velez

Q3

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

Even though the grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA, the state of Montana is considering allowing trophy hunting of grizzlies once they are de-listed from the ESA. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears would be allowed on public lands, including wild lands within America's National Wilderness Preservation System and wild public lands immediately adjacent to Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

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Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

#53

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Q1

Name (optional):

Angie Williams

Q3

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

Please do the right humane thing and protect your lands and wildlife

#54

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

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

No to grizzly bear hunting

#55

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cecelia crane

Q3

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

I love all wildlife, especially Bears! Please Savethem, thanku

#56

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Q1

Name (optional):

joan milford

Q3

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

I am strongly opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Trophy hunting is NOT conservation. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

#57

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

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

DON'T SELL OUT FOR MONEY. The wilderness has its purpose, and to allow trophy hunting is completely contrary to that purpose. Who are WE to upset that natural habitat. All for the sake of a sport - and money. It's your responsibility to protect it and its inhabitants and not contribute to the demise of the bear population. Remind yourself: who was there first and who BELONGS there.

#58

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

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

Why hunt such a beautiful creature.....it's a shame

#59

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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 stop destroying wildlife. Humans are much better off living in balance and harmony with nature and her creatures than we are without her and them! Grizzly bears have an important part to play in the greater ecosystem of our world - let them alone.

#60

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Q1

Name (optional):

Susan Westervelt

Q3

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

I will never support hunting Grizzly Bears, but in any case, it's much too early in their recovery to kill them. To that end, bear baiting on public land must be ended, too. It's too easy for unknowing hunters to mistake Grizzlies for Black Bears (and some hunters who know better!) Grizzlies deserve a chance at survival. No hunting.

#61

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Q1

Name (optional):

Erika Whitton

Q3

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

It's time that human beings leave nature alone!

#62

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

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

Save the grizzlies!!!! Remember extinction is forever and it could happen to you!!!! Especially with the state of things today

#63

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bill

Q3

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

no trophy hunting grizzly bears - I'll stop visiting MT

#64

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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 allow grizzly bear trophy hunting

#65

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Q1

Name (optional):

christopher kerestman

Q3

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

once something dies it is gone forever.

#66

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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 am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Put bear suits on and shoot yourselves! God put them on this earth first and humans fed it all up!

#67

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Q1

Name (optional):

richard jackson

Q3

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

Please Do The Right Thing, and do NOT allow hunting of Grizzly bears if they are delisted as Endangered. Trophy hunting is an outdated and archaic practice, and is evidence of profound ignorance of the trophic cascade pertaining to biological systems that has been demonstrated so convincingly in Yellowstone.

There is no economic value beyond the presence of grizzlies for tourism which is substantial.

And, as you know, programs exist to compensate ranchers for any livestock loss.

Do the Right Thing.

#68

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Q1

Name (optional):

Maribeth Seaton-Murray

Q3

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

The state of Montana is revered for its magnificent scenery which includes majestic wildlife like the grizzly bear. Please continue to protect and respect the natural existence of grizzly bears in Montana's gorgeous landscape. Montanans and all Americans are all better served when nature thrives. The taking of grizzly bears as trophies diminishes the taker and those of us who allow it.

Respectfully, Maribeth

#69

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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 am against any plans to hunt/kill Grizzly Bears, wherever they are especially in Montana or any adjacent state. There is no sane reason for this.

#70

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Q1

Name (optional):

Katharine ("Katy") Donnelley

Q3

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

I've lived in Montana since 1980, my entire adult life. I have my own law practice that, unfortunately, does not involve spending time outdoors. So, it's for love and not money that I spend all the time I can horse packing and hiking in the Bob Marshall Wilderness complex.

The big, mature bears that have territories in the Bob are a big part of what makes it a wilderness.

I am absolutely against trophy hunting. "Trophy" bears are not troublemaking bears. They are generally known to people who spend more than a little time in their territories. Two years ago I was near the North Fork Falls in the Scapegoat. We startled a big boar; between the sound of the water and an incoming thunderstorm he didn't hear us. Over the past forty years, I have seen grizzlies most summers, but the sight of that big bear hightailing it away from us down a long grassy slope was something I won't forget. That grizzly would have been no match for a high-powered rifle. I find it personally offensive that some rich out-of-state yahoo might be able to spend a lot of money to be guided in to shoot that bear and style himself a frontiersman.

#71

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Q1

Name (optional):

Barney McComas

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kevin

Q3

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

These animals are important to the ecosystem.

#73

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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 absolutely oppose the hunting of grizzly bears in Montana. If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

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

Grizzlies contribute to the ecosystem and wildlife...

#75

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sarah

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. The grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Martha Abatuno

Q3

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

Grizzlies have barely recovered enough to be removed from endangered species designation. They have NOT made enough of a recovery to be hunted . Their habitats are threatened and they struggle to maintain their crucial role in wildlife balance and equilibrium.

#77

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Q1

Name (optional):

D.Palladini

Q3

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

I an ever-shrinking world, there are increasingly fewer wild spaces left where nature is allowed to carry on in its own way, as it always has. Due to mankind's lack of better judgement, generations past disrupted the natural order of things and assumed that they could control nature. We now know that that notion is a fallacy. In consideration of this, I do understand that at times it becomes necessary to cull populations due to population increases, nuisance, disease, and resource management. I also understand that subsistence game hunting is a valuable source of revenue for many areas, and it serves to control said populations. However, in an advanced society, I can see no value, and I find it unconscionable that a county, state, or federal agency would begin to consider trophy hunting as a viable option. Trophy hunting is not a sport, a sport is defined as "an activity involving physical exertion and skill in which an individual[s] or a team[s] compete against another or others for entertainment" – (Oxford Dictionary, 2018) Unless you are providing your opponent with a fighting chance, it is just a slaughter, in this case it is done with a high-powered rifle, a hundreds of yards away, it only entertains the barbaric. In an age where we scowl at countries that continue to struggle with poachers who decimate species until they are on the brink of extinction, or exist in solely in isolated populations and zoos, we can not afford to become hypocrites who ban the import and export of game and or exotic animals while allowing their senseless slaughter in our own backyards.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dakotah

Q3

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

Stop the slaughter! No hunting!

#79

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Name (optional):

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

Stop these unnecessary grizzly bear hunts now!

#80

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Q1

Name (optional):

Drena LaPointe

Q3

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

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Q1

Name (optional):

Janette Lozada

Q3

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

Grizzlies are an iconic North American species and should be left to live their lives in the wilderness areas they inhabit. Trophy hunting is an inhumane sport and should not be considered by the Governor's Grizzly council. Especially not in our wilderness areas.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tina Solomon

Q3

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

No trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Please!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Elisa Pagan

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Laura Nowack

Q3

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

We need the big predators! And as humans sharing this world, we need to share the resources as well and learn to live alongside these bears. Simply killing them is a non-issue for it teaches us nothing and reinforces that we are the bullies of the world.

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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 should be NO trophy hunting of grizzly bears (or any other endangered species!)

#86

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Q1

Name (optional):

Barb

Q3

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

Don't kill bears.

#87

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kim Duncan

Q3

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

Please don't allow trophy hunting in your state.

#88

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gary Connaught

Q3

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

all trophy hunting needs to be banned

#89

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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 protect grizzly bears. They are an important part of America's history and critical to our ecosystems.

#90

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Q1

Name (optional):

Eli

Q3

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

Please do NOT allow any Grizzly Bear hunting. They are on the Endangered Species list with only about 1,500 left in the US. Delisting them when they are just barely recovering is a tremendous mistake and killing them if that happens would be even worse for our wilderness. Thank you for your time.

#91

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rebecca

Q3

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

Please, stop the trophy hunting on these majestic creatures. They deserve to live too.

#92

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

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

Stop the needless slaudering! Start caring for the creatures that live on the Earth!!!

#93

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Q1

Name (optional):

Laura Wanek

Q3

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

Please protect Grizzly bears! They are suffering from attacks from all sides including environmental damage, air pollution, humans encroaching on territory, hunters, and getting hit by cars. They need all the protection they can get!

#94

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Q1

Name (optional):

Pamela Hurd

Q3

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

"No Trophy Hunting" This does nothing good for our earth

#95

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kyle Alhart

Q3

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

Grizzly bears need greater protection and should not be hunted. There habitat is still greatly fractured and there populations are unstable.

#96

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathleen Williams

Q3

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

I hope that you will not open trophy hunting on grizzly bears which are part of the native wildlife of this country. If there is a particular rogue bear assaulting farm animals, permission could be granted to kill it. But to allow hundreds of bears to be tracked in the wilds and killed to prove one's "manhood" is just contrary to ethics and good nature. Please use caution in this decision.

#97

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jenna M Jardim

Q3

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

Please just leave these bears alone! Let them live in the their areas unmolested.

#98

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Q1

Name (optional):

Vanessa Carbia

Q3

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

Please allow for an expansion of the grizzly population and connectivity between core habitats. Hunting grizzlies does not improve social tolerance. Bears that are hunted are rarely the same ones causing conflicts with people. Grizzly bears are a huge economic driver for Montana and are more valuable alive than dead.

Thank you!

#99

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dagmar Riddle

Q3

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

Grizzly bears, black bears, wolves, and all predators should never be hunted. Their numbers are so small compared to their prey species that are their food source. Keep the balance naturally. They co-existed just fine before man, and man's interference

#100

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Q1

Name (optional):

Karisha Kirk

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

#101

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nanette Tufts

Q3

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

That eliminating grizzly bears from your state is being considered is a crime against nature. Please reconsider killing these magnificent animals. Thank you (on their behalf).

#102

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Q1

Name (optional):

Juanita Romero

Q3

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

We need to protect our wildlife and their habitats!

#103

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Q1

Name (optional):

Susan Osada

Q3

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

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

#104

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathy Lieberman

Q3

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

Please do not allow hunting of grizzly bears. Top predators are so important to our diverse ecosystem and Grizzlies are so intelligent and wonderful to study. I would love my grandchildren to appreciate their lives and environments.

Thank you,
Kathy Lieberman

#105

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathy Dodson

Q3

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

Please don't allow trophy hunting of grizzly bears. I have seen them up close in Alaska with their cubs and they are beautiful and an important part of the ecosystem. No need to kill them, please.

#106

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cheryl L. Robison

Q3

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

No grizzly hunting!

#107

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dorothy Savage

Q3

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

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

#108

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudio Henriques

Q3

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

"No Trophy Hunting"

#109

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Q1

Name (optional):

Heloise Henriques

Q3

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

"No Trophy Hunting"

#110

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathlene Croasdale

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brandy Horne

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

#112

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Q1

Name (optional):

chris borello

Q3

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

This is our chance to raise our voice for grizzly bears! I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Please stop these evil acts. why do you think it's okay to kill these bears or any other animal for that matter? It just doesn't make sense.

#114

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Q1

Name (optional):

N. F. Willetts

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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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 maintain the environment for their survival.

#116

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Q1

Name (optional):

Theresa DeLuca

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Victoria

Q3

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

Grizzly are an important part of the ecosystem placed there by God. Murdering them is wrong

#118

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Q1

Name (optional):

Debbie

Q3

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

Protecting our environment includes the Grizzly. Protect these magnificent creatures.

#119

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Q1

Name (optional):

Paulette Schindele

Q3

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

Americans do not want to allow trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana. Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. Our wilderness areas must be kept wild and hunting in these areas must be restricted. I am adamantly opposed to allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears on our public lands.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Maria

Q3

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

Animals are not trophies

#121

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

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

Absolutely NO hunting of Grizzly Bears should be permitted in Montana. Populations are just starting to recover from the annihilation they experienced at the hands of European settlers, and they are still protected under the Endangered Species Act. There are just 1500 Grizzlies in the lower 48 U.S. states, and they only occupy a mere 2% of their historical range. These extremely low numbers alone should justify heightened protections for the bears and completely abolish any consideration of allowing them to be needlessly slaughtered. Grizzlies are keystone species and crucial for healthy ecosystems. Moreover, they have very slow reproductive rates and already face enormous lethal threats from cars, trains, hunters claiming "self-defense," poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other forms of baseless persecution. The Grizzly should not be de-listed from the ESA, but even if they are, NO trophy hunting should be allowed. Doing so would not only be a disaster for this majestic, critically important species, but be devastating for entire ecosystems. Everyone wants and deserves to live in a world with thriving Wilderness areas, and this necessitates PROTECTING Grizzlies, not enabling their extinction.

#122

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ady Larsen

Q3

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

It is time to stop killing animals for humans pleasure...It is wrong and it was always wrong.

#123

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melissa Polick

Q3

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

No Trophy hunting!!! No!!

#124

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Q1

Name (optional):

Peter Worley

Q3

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

I'm entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions,

#125

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rich

Q3

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

Keep your guns in the rack.

#126

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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 save our Grizzly Bears - STOP the hunting of them. These bears deserve to be left alone as they don't hunt humans and mainly eat fish and berries as they are not meat eaters!

#127

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Q1

Name (optional):

Laurie Winogrand

Q3

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

Please protect this beautiful, dramatic species. I love bears and want to know they are alive and well in the wild. Thank you.

#128

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tracy Templin

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Srividya Ramakrishnan

Q3

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

NO trophy hunting of grizzly bears

It is our responsibility to provide a safe haven for grizzly bears and all wildlife. As it is, the human population is growing at an alarming rate and endangering all other species. Trophy hunting should continue to be BANNED. After all, we do not kill other humans for entertainment or as trophies. Killing animals as trophies is to be strongly condemned.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bhavani

Q3

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

I am a 13-year old who looks forward to living in a a balanced planet. This unnecessary cruelty of humans against other species is causing a danger to all of us. It is our responsibility as citizens of the US to provide wildlife within the US a safe haven. Trophy hunting of grizzlies should be considered a major crime equivalent of murder of a human. Please continue to BAN trophy hunting of grizzlies and other wildlife.

#131

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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 trophy hunting of grizzly bears-- they are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Judith Embry

Q3

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

Frankly, I am shocked that there is even consideration of removing the grizzly bear from the Endangered Species list considering that there are only an estimated 1500 grizzlies in the whole 48 contiguous states of the US. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching and livestock-control killing. It must be considered that Montana has seen record-breaking deaths in the last two years.

I am and you should be entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. To think that iconic Wilderness areas like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf and Cabinet Mountains could become killing fields for this magnificent species is beyond belief. Please allow the grizzly to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

#133

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

#134

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Q1

Name (optional):

Susie Lee

Q3

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

Please protect the grizzly bears.

#135

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nadisha Williamson

Q3

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

Please help save God's creatures for futrue generations.

#136

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Please do not allow trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears. Scientifically, it will have a negative effect on grizzly bear numbers and their recovery. Protect their habitat and them.

#137

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

I am totally against trophy hunting of Grizzly bears. Wildlife needs protection not decimation!!

#138

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joseph

Q3

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

Please protect grizzly bears

we need t share this planet with other species

#139

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathy

Q3

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

Leave the bears alone!

#140

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Q1

Name (optional):

Greg Mull

Q3

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

Wildlife populations are in great decline. The time for selfish killing to stop.

Thank you

#141

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carrie

Q3

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

Dear Grizzly Bear Advisory Council,

The population of grizzly bears is finally beginning to recover, but still faces many threats, such as vehicles, poachers, and livestock related control. In addition, grizzlies reproduce at a very slow rate, so it is difficult to maintain a steady population. Trophy hunting would be detrimental for this vulnerable species, and should not be allowed, even if grizzly bears are removed from the Endangered Species Act.

Please continue to protect these animals.

Thank you,
Carrie

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Q1

Name (optional):

Russell Dam

Q3

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

I am totally against the trophy hunting of the Grizzly Bear. It is totally unnecessary & not justified. To kill for fun, sport, entertainment, Ego, Vanity or Status is morally wrong. Animals kill to survive because they have to, hunters kill for fun, If you would not want to be hunted & killed in your own home, while you bother no one, if you would not want someone killing your family, seeking you out while the other has the unnatural one sided advantage where you would always die if they see you,...then do not do it to others. It is that simple. Show Compassion, Empathy, Respect & Mercy for life. Do the right thing, do not be bought & paid off by big business, lobbyists, etc... as these great animals are treasures of this Country & Planet. Let them be & leave them alone.

#143

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Q1

Name (optional):

Pat condon

Q3

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

If this happens, I am through vacationing, including skiing in MT!

#144

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Name (optional):

kay

Q3

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

Please give this consideration

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Q1

Name (optional):

Valissa Taggart

Q3

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

Trophy hunting of grizzly bears or any animal for that matter is acceptable in a so called civilized country because...? Hence "The assumption that animals are without rights and the illusion that our treatment of them has no moral significance is a positively outrageous example of Western crudity and barbarity. Universal compassion is the only guarantee of morality."

— Arthur Schopenhauer, The Basis of Morality

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joan How

Q3

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

As an animal advocate I respectfully request that grizzly bears are protected and conserved. All fellow creatures are part of the web of life, and we have all witnessed in recent times the damaging effects of breaking one of those threads. The UN report issued last year should serve to also remind us of the damage we, as a species, are doing, and will continue to do unless we completely change our thinking. You only have to remind yourselves of the damage caused to Yosemite when human decisions intervened with the wolves there. Its whole ecosystem was changed, and not for the better. I urge you to please reconsider your proposals.

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

Please protect them!

#148

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Q1

Name (optional):

Scott Paling

Q3

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

It is disappointing to see that in 2020, people think that having an estimated 1500 living organisms spread out over millions of acres is too many and there is a need to "manage" them by controlling their population. The bears do not pose a real threat to people and ranchers. I understand that ranchers fear them and wolves, but looking at the situation in totality, bears are not a threat to society. The revenue also generated from a proposed hunt is miniscule in comparison to the value of the tourism dollar. From a financial perspective, the state should be doing what it can to help the population. If you ask most people that visit Yellowstone and Glacier N.P.'s, the overwhelming majority would say they would love to see a grizzly bear. When those visitors do see them, they tell their friends and they come and visit next year and spend their money. You don't need too many family trips for this reason to more than offset the extremely limited revenue that would be generated from a hunt. The distribution from money spent on trips helps everyone from gas stations to hotels to restaurant and gift shops. This is a no lose situation and all it takes a is a little common sense to realize this. Unfortunately, common sense is hard to come by these days and is something that can't be trained or be given medication for. I hope that the state makes the correct decision and not allow hunting of grizzly bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

janine

Q3

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

please help to save nature ♡ thank you

#150

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Q1

Name (optional):

Scott White

Q3

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

It is disturbing to learn that the grizzly bear may be allowed to be hunted. I am opposed to any trophy hunting of grizzly bears. While beginning the process of recovery, grizzly bears are still extremely low in numbers and allowing hunting may set back decades of effort put into helping the species recover.

#151

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Q1

Name (optional):

Brian Wheat

Q3

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

Save the Grizzlies and all apex predators.

#152

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Q1

Name (optional):

Patricia Link

Q3

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

The Grizzly Bear has the same right to live as the members of the Advisory Council. They are an important part of the ecosystem

#153

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Q1

Name (optional):

Patricia Link

Q3

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

You don't really want trophy hunting, do you? We are supposed to be "intelligent." Is there any intelligence within the Advisory Council?

#154

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jonathan

Q3

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

This is wrong!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Annette

Q3

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

Please leave the bears alone and show some compassion for them. We can all live on this earth together without being cruel to animals.

#156

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Q1

Name (optional):

Martha W D Bushnell

Q3

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

Please do not allow hunting of Grizzly Bears in Montana.

#157

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bryan Wyberg

Q3

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

I am writing to express strong opposition against the trophy hunting of grizzly bears now being considered.

I find this to be an abhorrent proposal, totally inconsistent with the fact that the grizzly bear is barely on the road to recovery from its brush with extinction.

In fact, that is also what enrages me about this proposal - the absolute disregard it displays to the taxpayers of this nation. We have collectively spent untold millions of dollars over the past three or four decades to recover the species. And now you want to hunt it back into endangered status for the benefit of a few wealthy trophy hunters! This is illogical and is an absolute waste of my money as an American taxpayer.

I also find the entire concept of trophy hunting threatened wildlife to be a disgusting act and a concept that has no place in our modern world. It is pathetic that some find joy in the destruction of wildlife using guns and bullets fired from a safe distance. What is the "sport" in that? Kill it by hand to hand combat, with only a knife, without a gun and bullets, then you can feel like you have proven yourself. The state of Montana needs to move away from trophy hunting and into the modern era of wildlife management.

I also do not want to have my public lands, such as the amazing Glacier and Great Bear wilderness complex turned into a dangerous combat zone for the blood lust of some pathetic trophy hunters who seek the head of a bear mounted on his wall in order to feel good about himself. Leave our designated wilderness free of the stain of grizzly bear trophy hunting.

Thank you for considering my comments on this matter.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Trophy hunting of grizzlies is barbaric and inhumane. Montana should never allow trophy hunting! Grizzly numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit.

#159

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kima

Q3

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

Grizzly bears have their place in the ecosystem...as do all other species. Leave them alone, keep it wild!

#160

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Q1

Name (optional):

Guy Lopez

Q3

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

Grizzlies have not reached sufficient numbers to allow hunting them.

#161

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Q1

Name (optional):

Selma Cowan

Q3

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

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear. Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

Protect the grizzly population. Do not allow trophy hunting!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cindy Zick

Q3

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

We need to keep our wildlife

#163

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Q1

Name (optional):

Donna Bernstein

Q3

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

This is inhumane and unnecessary. In this day and age there are many ways to humanely manage an animal population if that is the goal. If instead it is hunting for hunting's sake this sets a terribly damaging example of abusing animals just for the "enjoyment" of people the same as circuses and other selfish forms of "entertainment"

#164

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Q1

Name (optional):

allison alberts

Q3

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

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival. Please end this hunt immediately. Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

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Q3

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

All of Nature is about balance. Letting Nature alone restores this balance. And any trophy hunting, of any species, should be completely banned.

#166

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

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

Dear Sir/Madam:

The grizzly bear is not only featured on Wilderness Watch's logo, but the Great Bear is a quintessential symbol of Wilderness and wildness, especially in parts of the western United States and Alaska where the great bear still roams.

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range.

Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming "self-defense", poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Even though the grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA, the state of Montana is considering allowing trophy hunting of grizzlies once they are de-listed from the ESA. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears would be allowed on public lands, including wild lands within America's National Wilderness Preservation System and wild public lands immediately adjacent to Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

Now is your chance to raise your voice for grizzly bears !! I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

Thank you for taking action against grizzlies being hunted.

Sincerely, Rocco Frangione

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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 am totally opposed to grizzly bear hunting once they are de-listed from ESA, or at any other time or for any purpose whatsoever. They need to be left alone so they can recover their populations and reoccupy their former range. Listen to the vast majority of the public which opposes hunting and do not give in to the small minority of the barbarians who enjoy killing animals the rest of us admire and love.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jennifer

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Justina Cotter

Q3

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

I am opposed to allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears, including, and especially, within Wilderness areas. Grizzly bears in Montana make up a small population that has not yet recovered from prior human predation. Their numbers need to recover and they need to be allowed to reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape and maintain the health of the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit.

Thank you for your attention.

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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 is no planet B. Please stop being evil. Let grizzly bears live. Thank you very much, John Oda

#171

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Q1

Name (optional):

Karen Koenig

Q3

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

I am opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Ellen Corneliusen

Q3

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

Please end trophy hunting for grizzly bears!

#173

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Q1

Name (optional):

Edele Heath

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing them to recover and reoccupy critical habitats essential for their survival.

#174

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Q1

Name (optional):

Samuel Ricketts

Q3

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

Let the bears thrive, we cannot lose another great American species.

#175

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Q1

Name (optional):

Grace Padelford

Q3

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

In this present world, we must realize that protecting selected species rather than persecuting them is essential to keeping them not only from extinction, but from being removed and destroying the biological necessities established by nature.

#176

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Q1

Name (optional):

Catherine Frizat

Q3

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

I am writing to oppose any future plans to allow grizzly bear trophy hunting in Montana.

To start with, trophy hunting is vile and immoral. There is no justification for killing a beautiful sentient being for the purpose of displaying its hide on a wall or a floor. Trophy hunting is a repulsive remnant of antiquated and entitled attitudes towards wildlife and it has no place in the 21st century. It must be banned worldwide, and Montana should lead the way in this effort, it shouldn't participate in it.

People travel from all over the world to see a grizzly bear in the wild. The money generated from this tourism contributes greatly to the surrounding states' economies. The money generated by trophy hunts pales in comparison.

Grizzly bears occupy less than 5% of their historic range. Grizzlies in the Yellowstone region are already struggling due to dwindling food sources as a result of climate change, invasive species and disease. Since 2015 the population has decreased and mortalities have increased. This isn't the time to introduce a new source of mortality for these bears.

Furthermore, the federal government and states have spent millions of dollars recovering this magnificent species from the brink of extinction. Rushing forward with a hunting season so soon after declaring recovery successful is counter-intuitive and may undo all the hard work people have put into recovery.

In 2017 Montana recognized that holding a hunting season soon after delisting was unnecessary. Montana should stand by its original decision and not open a hunting season on grizzlies in the future.

And with no buffer around Yellowstone National Park, bears that spend much of their time inside park boundaries accustomed to people could be shot the second they step outside the line. This is unethical. It could also be devastating for park visitors who find out that the bear they saw just yesterday got shot by a trophy hunter.

Lastly, "Management" shouldn't automatically mean "hunting."

#177

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gabriel Lautaro

Q3

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

Please ban hunting of Grizzly Bears

#178

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Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

#179

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Q1

Name (optional):

Virginia Cassidy

Q3

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

Please, these majestic animals don't have a voice to defend themselves. Please put a stop trophy hunting. Thank you.

#180

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Q1

Name (optional):

JOHN B MORGEN

Q3

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

This is bloody stupid, and cruel to life.

#181

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kathryn Anderson

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to trophy hunting grizzly bears in Montana. While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Even though the grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA, the state of Montana is considering allowing trophy hunting of grizzlies once they are de-listed from the ESA. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears would be allowed on public lands, including wild lands within America's National Wilderness Preservation System and wild public lands immediately adjacent to Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melissa Warfield

Q3

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

I'm totally opposed to grizzly bear hunting. Grizzly bears are keystone species that shape the ecosystem where they live. Grizzlies are an endangered species on the ESA. Please do not delist the grizzly bears. Grizzly bears are a quintessential symbol of Wilderness and wildness. Please do not hunt the iconic grizzly bears. Please do not delist grizzly bears.

#183

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

#184

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Q1

Name (optional):

Marlene Mills

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live

#185

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Q1

Name (optional):

Beverly Nichols

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear. I am opposed to allowing trophy hunting of Grizzly Bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

#186

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Q1

Name (optional):

Eric Dallin

Q3

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

Save the Bears!

#187

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Q1

Name (optional):

laura raforth

Q3

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

Please leave the grizzlies alone

#188

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Q1

Name (optional):

F Gayle Roberts

Q3

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

Leave the BEARS alone! Do NOT hunt them or allow others to. ALL should be done to protect them in their natural habitat.

#189

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Q1

Name (optional):

F Gayle Roberts

Q3

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

Do NOT allow ANY HUNTING of ANY TYPE of Grizzly Bears!

#190

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Q1

Name (optional):

Deborah Gudzevich

Q3

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

Trophy hunting is a crime against nature and should be banned against every animal every where!!!

#191

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matthew Hall

Q3

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

Don't do it.

#192

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Q1

Name (optional):

Debbie

Q3

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

Please do not allow these magnificent animals to be made into senseless 'trophies.' They deserve our respect and protection, not senseless slaughter.

#193

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

The popular Endangered Species Act mandates full recovery in ALL ecosystems prior to deListing. If there are alleged "surplus" grizzlies, they should be transplanted to the Selkirk, Cabinet-Yaak, and Selway-Bitterroot within Montana from Greater Yellowstone and Northern Coninenal Divide ecosystems. Management assassinations by federal wildlife services and state game wardens, along with penis envy murders by trophy hunters, should be felony prosecutions to the maximum of the law. Hunting seasons are illegal, arbitrary, capricious, and reprehensible.

#194

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Dull

Q3

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

We must listen to mother earth

#195

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Q1

Name (optional):

Valerie Huffman

Q3

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

No reason supports this hunt.

#196

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Q1

Name (optional):

Julian Parks

Q3

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

No to hunting Grizzly Bears. Enough with the killing of animals period.

#197

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carrie Darling

Q3

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

Please do not allow any kind of trophy hunting of grizzly bears! Their is no good reason to allow people to gun down grizzly bears and if anything they need to be given more protections to allow their population to grow and recover! Please do the right thing and stop the murdering of grizzly bears!

#198

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Q1

Name (optional):

Christina Berry

Q3

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

Save nature

#199

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jamie

Q3

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

Please do not allow for trophy hunting of Grizzlies in Montana (or anywhere), regardless of if they ESA decides to delist them. They deserve to flourish in their natural habitat and have an area free and safe from predators, they do not need to be culled, they already have a number of odds against them. Thank you.

#200

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Q1

Name (optional):

Rebecca Lambert

Q3

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

No trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

#201

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Q1

Name (optional):

Julie Hansen

Q3

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

Dont allow more grizzly hunting pls. The free are too few as it is.

#202

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lisa Moreno

Q3

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

Please leave the grizzlies alone. Let them live in their natural habitat without human interference, unless you are doing everything you can to help protect them.

#203

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Q1

Name (optional):

joe tamayo

Q3

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

Stop those hunting games , concerning the grizzly bears!!!!

#204

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tracy Hendershott

Q3

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

My father's home, Montana, is a beautiful place and the home of grizzly bears. He was a lover of wildlife, before he passed. We both believed that the killing of grizzly bears, or any other animals, for trophy was on the wrong side of history and should be banned. Killing something to make a rug or wall hanging from it, possibly for reasons of boosting self-esteem is nothing to be proud of. It is inhumane and 100% unnecessary, especially considering the goal of increasing their numbers. Please do the right thing and ban trophy hunting. Thank you.

#205

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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 don't allow the hunting of grizzly bears. Trophy hunting is ridiculous and unnecessary. Please let these great animals live and multiply. Don't let people wipe them out. Thank you for your consideration.

#206

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

Please please leave the animals in oease

#207

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeri Romero

Q3

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

Let the animals live in peace

#208

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Q1

Name (optional):

Cheryce Fischer

Q3

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

I oppose trophy hunting!

#209

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

Grizzlies are a symbol of the American wilderness. They need to be protected, not shot.

#210

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alison

Q3

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

Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I actually thought that people in Montana were proud of and grateful for the abundance of wildlife in their state. It appears that I was wrong; I won't be visiting Montana on vacation anytime soon.

#211

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Q1

Name (optional):

Lisa Mai Shoemaker-Young

Q3

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

NO MURDERING OF GRIZZLY'S!!!!

#212

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mary Murphy

Q3

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

Grizzly bears serve a purpose in the natural world. Once headed for the brink of extinction and now you feel the need to kill for a trophy. I ask that you do not allow trophy hunting for grizzly bears or any part of wildlife. I ask you to protect wildlife as you protect domestic animals. Protect all life!

#213

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Q1

Name (optional):

Susan Duckett

Q3

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

Save the grizzlies from slaughter

#214

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joselyn Wilkinson

Q3

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

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. Thank you.

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Q1 Respondent skipped this question

Name (optional):

Q3

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

Have we not learned by our past actions that we need to do all that we can to preserve wild spaces and species everywhere. If we use and abuse wild animals for our own gains, we lose the balance and beauty in this world. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face large death rates due to cars, trains, hunters who claim self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. The last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana. If this current pandemic has taught us anything, it is that we need to keep wild places and species where they belong to keep the balance. Our world is on the brink of collapse due to our excessive meddling in nature and the natural world. Animals and their habitats need to remain wild and autonomous so that our ecosystems and ourselves can thrive.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Martha Diaz

Q3

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

Every Innocent/Voiceless Animal deserves Compassion & Respect, NOT ABUSE OR DEATH !!!!

#217

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Q1

Name (optional):

Beverly Alba

Q3

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

Wildlife belong to ALL of us in our country. The public overwhelmingly supports protection of wildlife. I expect all states to protect our wildlife and thereby contribute to a healthy ecosystem for all.

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Lili Castillo

Q3

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

Pathetic to see the atrocities you allow against NATIVE AMERICAN WILDLIFE...unlike you, they belong in this continent. Time you white shipped folks start respecting this continent. Learn from our TRUE NATIVE AMERICANS and stop the CRUELTY, the trapping and hunting of our animals!!!!

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TRISH ANDERSON

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

One of the main reason I like to visit or Country is to see the wild life. -- The thought of these beautiful creatures killed for sport is sickening.

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Julia Freund

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Please do not allow this bear hunt!

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Janet

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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They already have faced insurmountable odds living among humans, encroachment, rails, vehicles, poisons, traps, hunting season, ranching, climate change, low reproductive challenges through stress.
There is not bit of room for error when it comes to protecting the grizzly.
You open hunting, you open up Trophy poaching, no two ways about it!

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no grizzly bear hunt !

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Sharman Stephenson

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

Our wildlife needs to be protected, not hunted. Decreasing the prey population throws everything else out of balance

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Geneine Payne

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

I strongly oppose the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

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No hunting of predators!

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Name (optional):

Tim Duda

Q3

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

I am strongly opposed to trophy hunting for Grizzly Bear in the state of Montana. Grizzlies are part of the natural heritage of this state and should be protected particularly on public lands and wilderness areas. Thank you

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Clinton Nagel

Q3

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

The following comments were submitted by the Gallatin Wildlife Association.

May 7, 2020

Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council Facilitators:
Shawn Johnson
Heather Stokes

Re: Hunting Grizzly Bears in Montana

Dear Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council:

The Gallatin Wildlife Association (GWA) would like to thank each individual council member and the council itself for the time and effort all of you chose to provide the state of Montana in discussing the future management of grizzly bears. It has come to our attention that the council has been discussing the possibility of hunting (trophy hunting no less) of grizzly bears on public land. We would like to take this opportunity to comment on this discussion as currently being undertaken by the Governor's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council (GBAC).

GWA is a nonprofit volunteer wildlife conservation organization representing hunters, anglers and other wildlife advocates in Southwest Montana and elsewhere. Our mission is to protect habitat and conserve fish and wildlife. GWA supports sustainable management of fish and wildlife populations through fair chase public hunting and fishing opportunities that will ensure these traditions are passed on for future generations to enjoy. We as a wildlife organization do not see the hunting of grizzly bears being warranted due to the several reasons that we have detailed below.

Conflicting Aspirations:

As we begin, we note up front that there seems to be a discrepancy within the goals of Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks (MFWP) on the overall management of grizzly bears. In the 2013 Grizzly Bear Management Plan for Southwest Montana¹, MFWP released their Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (FPEIS). On page 6 under MFWP Goals for the Grizzly Bears, it mentions the Governors Roundtable's continued support of Primary Conservation Areas (PCA). It states the following:

"The group also recommended that the states of Wyoming, Idaho and Montana develop management plans for the areas outside the PCA to:

2. Support expansion of grizzly bears beyond the PCA in areas that are biologically suitable and socially acceptable,
3. Manage the grizzly bear as a game animal including allowing regulated hunting when and where appropriate."

We believe Goals 2 and 3 conflict with each other. If you want grizzly bears to expand beyond PCAs into areas that are biologically acceptable, how can you manage the bear as a game animal and allow regulated hunting when and where appropriate? Those bears that are more likely to expand beyond PCAs are also the ones more likely to be shot because they are outside the protection of PCAs. GWA believes this policy is inconsistent to the overall goals it says it wants to achieve. If MFWP is serious about supporting the expansion of grizzly bears outside of PCAs, the goal of allowing the bear to expand must be achieved first, prior to the hunting of the species.

Goal number two above in MFWP document also matches what is found in the 2016 Conservation Strategy for the Grizzly Bear in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem². The first two visions listed in that strategy are summarized as stated.

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- The PCA will be a secure area for grizzly bears, with population and habitat conditions maintained to ensure a recovered population is maintained for the foreseeable future and to allow bears to continue to expand outside the PCA.
- Outside of the PCA, grizzly bears will be allowed to expand into biologically suitable and socially acceptable areas.

The goals of these two documents support one another in that they are proposing to allow grizzly bears to expand outside PCAs. On the other hand, they also conflict each other by goal 3 in the FPEIS and the last goal in the Conservation Strategy of 2016 where it states on page 3 the following:

“Manage grizzly bears as a game animal; including allowing regulated hunting when and where appropriate.”

Before we move on, GWA would like to preempt the argument that this hunting goal will only be done in those areas where the number of bears are plentiful and so are the conflicts. The argument continues on with the thought this act would not affect the population. We counter that by saying, where's the science proving that point? This sounds more like wishful thinking than anything else. Bears are generally solitary animals once arriving at adulthood and how do we know their wandering wouldn't venture into areas outside PCAs?

Again, by managing the bear as a game animal before the species has reclaimed any of its original habitat or regained any connectivity is self-defeating. It will guarantee this iconic species will never achieve connectivity, will never achieve reclamation of its original territory outside of PCAs, and will never achieve social tolerance which is another goal of the MFWP and the GBAC. This inconsistency highlights a weakness in the strategy and the GBAC should not be giving credence to it.

Misguided Justification:

Back to the FPEIS, the document as stated on page 6 lists goals which it proclaims could best be achieved if they address “human safety, nuisance bear management, livestock conflicts, property damage.” GWA does not see the scientific evidence that the open-hunting of grizzly bears would help address or reduce any one of these human-grizzly conflicts. Where is the evidence that supports this summation? What ensures that open-hunting of grizzly bears would actually reduce the population of problem bears? For in this scenario, the bears that would be hunted would rarely be the same ones causing conflicts. If nothing else, GWA believes that open hunting of bears would actually increase the human-grizzly conflict potential, posing a greater risk to human safety. We urge that the GBAC do not justify the necessity of hunting as a way to curtail bad bear behavior.

All of this has been said because there is this illogic and convoluted thought out there in the expanse of the universe that hunting will make bears learn to be afraid of humans. Before you devote too much thought into that idea, we should all know that bears are solitary animals. If you kill it, how is it going to learn? There was an interesting article in the Missoulian several years back, Nov. 30, 2017 to be exact, entitled “Dead bears don't learn anything – Biologists balk at notion hunting makes bears wary.” This article by Perry Backus3 quotes Kim Annis, a MFWP grizzly bear management specialist from Libby, stating the following:

“If the argument is that hunting bears will teach them to be afraid of humans, I don't understand how that would play out,” Annis said. “Bears are solitary animals. If someone kills one, it's dead. It would have to stay alive to actually learn something.”

Think about this for a moment. There is not so much science in this, although if there is, it is perhaps the most basic science lesson of all. You have to be alive to learn. But it is common sense.

Now after having said that, we can think of scenarios where bears can learn people are a hazard to their health. Bears can learn to shy away from us. Bears are intelligent, yet solitary beings. But those scenarios would be the exception rather than the rule. We should not manage any wildlife species based upon exceptions. Perhaps a better way to state this is: it is very improbable that bears who are hunted can learn to avoid humans.

We feel that the Council would do better by spending their time on issues that promote safe habitat for grizzlies because bears are going to remain inhabitants on our public land for generations to come. The council would do better by providing information on how the public can better exist in harmony with this species. In fact, on page 6 of the FPEIS, there is the statement that to achieve those listed goals, it's necessary that they address the issues of “habitat and restrictions on human use of bear habitat”. We should be talking about

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how man can conduct himself on their land. We are the intruders in that scenario.

Establish Connectivity:

In Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks' GRIZZLY BEAR Management Plan for Southwestern Montana 2013 FINAL PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT¹, it lays out these preferred management approaches under the title of Future Distribution on page 41 and 42:

- “Continue to monitor grizzly bear expansion from historically occupied areas along with changes in population numbers.
- Continue to address grizzly/human conflicts in areas outside the core recovery area in a manner that considers overall grizzly conservation as well as human safety and social tolerance.
- Continue to work with Idaho, Wyoming, and the Interagency Grizzly Bear Committee to address the issue of linkage between grizzly recovery areas and follow the goal set forth in the IGBC work plan to promote linkage between the GYA and the NCDE grizzly populations.
- Implement habitat programs that provide for wildlife needs to include working with the DOT to address issues of wildlife movement across roads (especially Interstates 90 and 15; and Highways 287, 191, 89, and 20).”

Then on page 44, there is this statement:

“Management of non-conflict grizzly bears in areas between the NCDE management area and the DMA of the GYA (Figure 7) will be compatible with maintaining some grizzly occupancy. Maintaining presence of non-conflict grizzly bears in areas between the NCDE management area and the demographic monitoring area of the GYA, such as the Tobacco Root and Highland Mountains, would likely facilitate periodic grizzly movements between the NCDE and GYA.”

Here MFWP is suggesting locations that would actually enhance grizzly bear connectivity. Yet we are suspicious. We're concerned that if a bear did actually appear on these lands, how likely is it that these bears would be shot? GWA assumes this likelihood would be greater than any other. The rationale would be someone felt threatened or that these bears were outside their normal range or habitat. In other words, MFWP is saying the right thing, but can we as a people do the right thing. GBAC could spend more time in educating the public about what to expect as grizzlies explore lands outside of what has been their PCA.

GWA would now like to refer the GBAC to a MFWP document, 2019 Conservation Strategy for the Grizzly Bear in the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem⁴. On page 29, there is this statement, perhaps the most optimistic view yet about grizzly bears establishing that genetic connection between the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem and the Northern Continental Divide Ecosystem:

“Based on analyses of movements made by NCDE and GYE bears fitted with GPS collars, Peck et al. (2017) delineated potential movement paths that would provide the opportunity for male-mediated gene flow between the NCDE and GYE. Model predictions indicated that male grizzly bear movement between the ecosystems could involve a variety of routes, and verified observations of grizzly bears outside occupied range supported this finding. Peck et al. (2017) reported that the closest proximity between the estimated occupied range for these two populations was about 68 mi in 2014 and similar analysis indicated the distance decreased to 56 mi by 2016. This distance is within the range of maximum dispersal distances (42–109 mi) documented for populations in the Rocky Mountain region (Blanchard and Knight 1991, McLellan and Hovey 2001, Proctor et al. 2004), indicating that male dispersal between the populations is plausible. Human-caused mortality is a limiting factor for nearly all grizzly bear populations in the lower-48 States.”

GWA would like the GBAC to pay attention to that last sentence above. Grizzly bear connectivity is almost achieved, even without much if any assistance by man. Just think, a little effort by man in setting the right policy could go a long way to help reach that goal. Yet that last sentence comes back to haunt all of this potential:

“Human-caused mortality is a limiting factor for nearly all grizzly bear populations in the lower-48 States.”

So why would we want to jeopardize a goal that MFWP and nearly all conservation groups have been targeting for years. We may have

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So why would we want to jeopardize a goal that MFWP and nearly all conservation groups have been targeting for years. We may have decades to go before true connectivity can be reached, but if we allow hunting by any dimension, we fear that goal of establishing corridor connection could be lost for several future generations.

In Conclusion:

To properly manage the future of grizzly bear habitat, population, and distribution, state and federal agencies need to mitigate habitat loss, habitat fragmentation, climate change, loss of food sources, and to encourage and facilitate connectivity. Very little of this is being done. What progress has been made in the role of increased connectivity, very little of that can be traced back to the actions of man. Hunting, trophy or otherwise, will just detract from that progress and further hinder the goal of having this iconic species from re establishing residency on their once historic range. Until that is done, grizzlies will be on the fringe of circulating the drain of extinction.

Dr. Jim Bailey⁵, a fellow board member of GWA, states this on his webpage:

“Montana (FWP 2013:49) asserts it is a long-term goal to allow bears in southwest and northwest Montana to reconnect through maintenance of “non-conflict” grizzly bears. However, this plan fails to note that hunting, including of non-conflict bears, will be contrary to achieving this goal.”

This is the belief of GWA as well. We have a hard time understanding how hunting can facilitate grizzly bear expansion, social tolerance, ensure a recovered population, or reach the goal of grizzly bear connectivity. Science does not draw that conclusion. Our common sense does not draw that conclusion, and our morality prevents us from justifying that conclusion.

Thank you for accepting our comments and giving us an opportunity to give voice on behalf of this great bear.

Sincerely,

Clinton Nagel, President
Gallatin Wildlife Association

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Brian Wheat

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Grizzly Bears deserve protection. Stop pandering to the livestock producers and hunting guides.

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

Relatively speaking there are still so few grizzly bears in the wild. They face significant threats from climate change. This will only increase going forward. There are no legitimate reasons to consider hunting them. If you want to hunt something, go hunt a deer.

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

Please don't allow the trophy hunting of bears. This is wrong in so many ways. With all of the deaths we are seeing all over the world at this time, why take another beautiful creatures life for a forever picture of your cruelty & selfishness? So many beautiful creatures are dying off because of our greed, ignorance, and it's all about me attitude. This pandemic should make us aware of the beauty in all creatures and their lives are not something to take for granted in a picture or to be mounted to a wall. Shame on you for even thinking this should be acceptable.

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

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Name (optional):

Bruce Littlefield

Q3

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

Having worked for both NPS and USFS fire and trail crews in AZ, CA, MT, and WY, and having seen grizzlies in the wild during such work, I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival. Please rethink this ill-conceived proposal.

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Name (optional):

Glenn Roberts

Q3

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

"BE GOOD STEWARDS" IS THE INSTRUCTION OUR CREATOR OFFERED THE HUMANITY IN THE BEGINNING OF OUR EXISTENCE. THE CREATOR NEVER SAID WE OUGHT TO TREAT THE NATURAL WORLD WITH ANYTHING OTHER THAN RESPECT AND COMPASSION! TO TREAT ANY CREATURE AS AN OBJECT OF ABUSE IS TO VIOLATE THE CREATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS AND THAT WILL RESULT IN NEGATIVE REPERCUSSIONS WHICH IS WHAT OUR CHANGING CLIMATE IS COMMUNICATING TO US AND THERE IS NO SEPARATION BETWEEN ANY PARTS OF THE WHOLE! NATURE IS ONE! PLEASE WAKE-UP AND STAND FOR WHAT GOD ASKS OF US!

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Name (optional):

Carolyn Hall

Q3

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

Montana FWP Grizzly Bear Advisory Council,

I am a resident of Montana. I live in Columbia Falls Montana which is located in region 1, and within miles of Glacier National Park. I am writing to ask you to strongly consider NOT to hunt grizzly bears.

The mere idea of allowing trophy hunting, or any hunting would be catastrophic to the grizzly bear population, and future survival of the species. We would set back years of work to save them from extinction putting them in peril once again, and without merit.

Grizzlies once roamed throughout the United States but, now they only merely occupy a very small portion of the United States as a whole. While the Grizzly Bear recovery program has been some what a success it took 40 years to bring the grizzly bear population back from the brink of extinction to only occupy a small portion of the United States. This is not the time or the place to remotely consider removing protections off of this countries most iconic species just to decimate it once again.

Hunting the grizzly bear will put the species in peril which in itself is a reason to pause, reflect and the only decision one can decide on is not to allow any form of hunting for any purpose. Secondly, the mortality rate of grizzly bears in itself is cause for concern. The mortality rate for cubs is close to 50% thus; the mortality rate continues to be high for adult grizzlies as well. That represents alarming data. Human Bear conflict continues but, much of that seems to be attributed to residents being careless with attractants, and not taking sensible protections. Instead of warning residents they should be fined. Lastly, tourism is the 2nd largest source of revenue in Montana. Tourists come to see Montana's iconic wildlife. The leader of the pack for Montana's iconic wildlife is a grizzly bear. While our landscapes are stunning nothing can top seeing of of natures most epic creatures grace the planet in such a magnificent way.

In closing, I strongly ask that you consider how allowing hunting in any form would be a tragedy to the grizzly bear species, and the only right conclusion you can agree on is not to hunt the grizzly bear.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
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Q3

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

I find it reprehensible trophy hunting of Grizzlies is even being contemplated. I've only seen a few Grizzlies in the eight years I lived in Montana and only one was in Montana the others were in Canada. Friends from the east would visit me to see wolves or Grizzlies, spend a week or two, buy items to take back east from local businesses such as montana woolens, visit the museum of the Rockies, eat in local restaurants, ski bridge, and go home without seeing a griz, but seeing elk and buffalo and spending a small fortune, one friend even brought a vehicle because they thought the engine heater would come in handy in upstate ny, so now you want to kill off one of your main attractions, totally nonsensical, you might make money on the licenses but you'll lose more on money from tourism. Someone needs to reconsider this.

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Name (optional):

Elliott Bales

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

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Under these considerations and the scientific evidence points to the fact that large apex predators like grizzlies are necessary for a healthy ecosystem I believe that the decision to open hunting on grizzlies is mistaken and until these magnificent animals are in much more than 2% of their original range in the lower 48 states they should remain under the protection of the ESA so they may continue to regain a foothold where they once prospered for the sake of our forests, mountains, and nation. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Eleanor Lasky

Q3

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

Please do not allow trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Wild animals have a right to exist too. Allow Americans to enjoy bears by seeing them - not shooting them. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Elizabeth

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

Protect the grizzly bears!

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

Grizzly Bears are worth saving!

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Name (optional):

Mimsi Milton

Q3

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

Grizzly Bears need protection. Trophy hunting is from a bygone era, better left there.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carla Hervert

Q3

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

Grizzly bears need to be protected, not slaughtered by sick human beings!

#243

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Q1

Name (optional):

Marsha Whitty

Q3

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

I am very opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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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 don't allow any hunting of Grizzly Bears. They must be protected at all costs.

#245

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charles Smith

Q3

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

Why wouldn't all conservation methods be used for Grizzly that are used by wildlife professionals for all other species and have been successfully for decades?

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Q1 **Respondent skipped this question**

Name (optional):

Q3

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

This is obviously purely killing for sport and trophy hunting without any ecological or environmental benefits, If it's going to happen, then let's make it a fair fight - bow hunting only- and longbow only.

#247

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Name (optional):

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

They have a right to live just like we do. I say no to hunting them.

#248

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Q1

Name (optional):

BLavin

Q3

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

Why is t his even a question. Stop trophy hunting period. This is gruesome. We need to protect these animals not destroy them.

#249

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Q1

Name (optional):

Catherine C. Clevenger

Q3

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

NO to Trophy Hunting

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudia Narcisco

Q3

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

I'm trying to track the discussion on the Vision statement. The screen is scrolling by pretty fast so it is hard to keep track. Maybe it's in there but I can't see reference to habitat in the vision statement. But I think it's important to somehow specify: Identify, maintain, provide suitable quality habitat. This is important not only to the four/five recovery areas but also to connectivity between these areas. Functioning linkage habitat implies that it is occupied by reproducing females.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Suggested rewording.....

We envision a management plan that strives toward a healthy, thriving, fully recovered grizzly population in Montana, and the Selkirk recovery zone, which includes a landscape that facilitates physical connectivity and coexistence.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Terry Schramm

Q3

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

Connectivity is another word for expanding the recovery zone through settled landscapes. Grizzlies are dangerous, destructive, and extremely costly to manage on settled landscapes. Grizzlies shouldn't have to be tolerated by indigenous populations and should be limited to national parks and surrounding wilderness.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bonnie Rice

Q3

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

Long-term recovery of grizzly bears in Montana (and the lower 48) is dependent upon achieving both genetic and demographic connectivity between grizzly bear populations. We urge the council to incorporate "genetic and demographic" into its vision statement regarding connectivity.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudia Narcisco

Q3

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

This is the vision statement copied from the agenda. It is complete, the same as the one you are working off on line: "Working Group 2's Vision:

We envision fully recovered grizzly populations in the four MT ESA recovery zones and a landscape in between that facilitates physical connectivity. Meanwhile, we recognize that grizzlies may continue to expand outside of the connectivity area. Montana's capacity to accommodate this expansion will be limited in relation to available resources for management, education, infrastructure (e.g. transportation, sanitation), and capacity for supporting ranchers and farmers in prevention, timely conflict response, and mitigation. All those living or visiting in or near the connectivity area should expect to be impacted by the potential presence of grizzly bears, and should be able to access adequate education, assistance and resources to help address these impacts in a timely manner. In Montana, we envision that management decisions continue to be based in sound science that account for local resources, communities, and capacity.

Guiding questions:

- What do you like about this Vision Statement?
 - Is there anything missing from this Vision Statement that you think is critical?
 - If you have concerns about the Vision Statement, what are they, and what alternative approach would you suggest for the Council's consideration?
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Q1

Name (optional):

Karen

Q3

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

Leave the grizzlies alone!! Keep them safe.

#256

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Q1

Name (optional):

K Roberts

Q3

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

The Grizzly Bear is almost as important a symbol of the USA as the Bald Eagle. It should not be displayed, on someone's wall, much better for the locals to enjoy the tourist dollar a sighting brings to the community.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Speak up for Grizzly Bears!
Tell the Montana Grizzly Bear Advisory Council: "No Trophy Hunting"

The grizzly bear is not only featured on Wilderness Watch's logo, but the Great Bear is a quintessential symbol of Wilderness and wildness, especially in parts of the western United States and Alaska where the great bear still roams.

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Even though the grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA, the state of Montana is considering allowing trophy hunting of grizzlies once they are de-listed from the ESA. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears would be allowed on public lands, including wild lands within America's National Wilderness Preservation System and wild public lands immediately adjacent to Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

The Grizzly should be protected, not hunted. Their habitat is so fragmented, even in Montana, there are so few places for these bears left. They should be listed as a protected species and left alone. The ecosystem depends on each part being healthy and with enough prey and predator species to keep it balanced. We should not be tipping the balance in favor of prey by trapping and hunting the predators to the brink of extinction.

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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, no grizzly bear hunting in Montana.
Bears deserve to live, too. Save them from hunters.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Bill Mckinley

Q3

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

Great to see the progress. One suggestion when it comes to zones, areas, and numbered areas... maybe just realize and acknowledge that bears will be bears and travel when and where they want. Management needs to be set up to minimize conflict and react efficiently.

Thanks
Bill McKinley

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Q1

Name (optional):

keith kubista

Q3

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

Creating programs and sources of funding will be difficult do not bifurcate lethal versus non-lethal. Agency managers, biologists, wardens, investigators and all on the ground personnel do many roles that overlap. Flexibility is needed Hunters, anglers and people paying Pittman Robertson excise taxes don't get to split where their \$ goes it all benefits wildlife and wildlife management.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Barbara Arko Hargrove

Q3

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

Why is it that those in the west think they should kill every living animal except the cattle which are completely ruining all the land and all the other wildlife that exists for all the world to enjoy. You all are not God to decide who lives and who dies.

#265

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudio Henriques

Q3

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

I am totally against the idea of allowing trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including in the wild, counteracts the growing number of grizzly bears and allows the Big Bear to recover and reoccupy the critical habitat essential for its survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Heloise Henriques

Q3

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

I am totally against the idea of allowing trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including in the wild, counteracts the growing number of grizzly bears and allows the Big Bear to recover and reoccupy the critical habitat essential for its survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Claudio Mattos

Q3

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

I am totally against the idea of allowing trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including in the wild, counteracts the growing number of grizzly bears and allows the Big Bear to recover and reoccupy the critical habitat essential for its survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Heloise Mattos

Q3

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

I am totally against the idea of allowing trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including in the wild, counteracts the growing number of grizzly bears and allows the Big Bear to recover and reoccupy the critical habitat essential for its survival.

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Name (optional):

Claudio Mattos

Q3

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

I am totally against the idea of allowing trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including in the wild, counteracts the growing number of grizzly bears and allows the Big Bear to recover and reoccupy the critical habitat essential for its survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Samuel Sautaux

Q3

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

What Earth do we want to give to our Children?

They deserve better than a massacred world

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Q1

Name (optional):

Regina Heck

Q3

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

Protect the grizzly bear and stop trophy hunting.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Hello. Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. Please help these important animals that call Montana their home.

#273

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mary Lanis

Q3

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

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chase

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are only occupy 2% of their former habitat range. We should at least protect them from trophy hunters in the few places they still are allowed to exist.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

My comments about slaughtering grizzly bears are best summarized by a former speechwriter for Sarah Palin:

"Such terrifying powers we possess, but what a sorry lot of gods some men are.

And the worst of it is not the cruelty but the arrogance, the sheer hubris of those who bring only violence and fear into the animal world, as if it needed any more of either. Their lives entail enough frights and tribulations without the modern fire-makers, now armed with perfected, inescapable weapons, traipsing along for more fun and thrills at their expense even as so many of them die away.

It is our fellow creatures' lot in the universe, the place assigned them in creation, to be completely at our mercy, the fiercest wolf or tiger defenseless against the most cowardly man.

And to me it has always seemed not only ungenerous and shabby but a kind of supreme snobbery to deal cavalierly with them, as if their little share of the earth's happiness and grief were inconsequential, meaningless, beneath a man's attention, trumped by any and all designs he might have on them, however base, irrational or wicked."

Matthew Scully, author, Dominion

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Q1

Name (optional):

Marguerite Juliusson

Q3

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

Grizzly Bears were once revered by the Indians as the wise ones. Why in the world would anyone feel the need to selfishly kill this beautiful creature for their own satisfaction. When we see a wild animal in the National Parks or in nature, we ALL are able to enjoy. Trophy hunting satisfies only one. ONE person. One person who feels that their needs should prevail over all others. They take the life of the Grizzly and the enjoyment we all have to watch a bear in nature. I have seen them in our parks and it was a treat for all who stopped to view. Trophy hunting is so old school time to retire that dated "sport"

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Q1

Name (optional):

Edele Heath

Q3

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

The Grizzly Bear is a quintessential symbol of Wilderness and wildness, especially in parts of the western United States and Alaska where the great bear still roams.

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

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Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitats essential for their survival.

Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Debra Floyd

Q3

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

I am opposed to allowing trophy hunting for Grizzly Bears. Please!! For once, make a decision in favor of the wildlife instead of hunters and livestock ranchers. Base your decision on science rather than financial greed and political influence. NO GRIZZLY TROPHY HUNTING!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Melissa Shinneman

Q3

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

There's no need to kill these innocent animals. Leave them alone in nature as all animals should be. Humans are the real animals.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

I am strongly opposed to allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Heidi

Q3

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

Please allow no hunting of grizzly bears ~ They are already far too endangered, and too many grizzlies are killed every year, from various causes -- They don't need to be killed for totally unnecessary reasons, by trophy hunters!

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Please save our country's teddy bears.

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Name (optional):

Ken Sinay

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

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Name (optional):

Edele Heath

Q3

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

The Grizzly Bear is a quintessential symbol of Wilderness and wildness, especially in parts of the western United States and Alaska where the great bear still roams.

Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

I am opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

NY4Whales/NY4Wildlife

Q3

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

Sent on 5/16/20

I request this comment become part of the public record.

I represent the officers, staff and membership of NY4Whales/NY4Wildlife, a 501(c)(3) non-profit environmental organization working to address conservation issues here and abroad.

We find that hunting grizzly bears will do nothing to decrease bear/human conflict. The FWS has admitted that these conflicts are rare. Studies have found that bear-human interactions significantly rise when there is either a low supply of natural foods, or when the bears are provoked, confronted by humans who are hunting or otherwise threatening them or their young.

Many studies have shown that less salmon, natural foraging foods, including seeds, nuts or berries, will cause bears to seek for sustenance closer to human-occupied areas. Bears are attracted to these areas when people place bird seed and suet outside or leave trash in the open.

One study (Artelle, et al) concluded that during seasons with low salmon populations in Alaska, human-grizzly conflicts increased. Other studies based in Ontario and Japan (Obbard and Huygens) found that when nuts and berries and other natural foods were in low supply in bear territory, black bear-human interactions increased.

Carrying capacity should not be ignored. Removing bears during a hunting season will only allow other bears to fill in those opened spaces, since the carrying capacity of the area to support a specific number of bears will determine how many bears will inhabit that space.

Grizzly bear encounters that hurt humans are very rare. The FWS admits that the likelihood of a grizzly bear harming a human is one in 2.7 million, and in the case of brown bears studied found that the only attacks on humans resulted from defense actions. Bears do not seek out encounters with humans, and hunting them will not reduce human-bear encounters. In fact the opposite is true. Seeking to harm a bear will likely lead to a defense response by the bear, which is the response of any large mammal facing threats to its safety or the well-being of its young. In other words, we have to leave them alone. Sport hunting the bears is only a gift to the 3% of the population that are hunters; it's safe to say that 97% of the population prefer we leave the bears alone.

Sport hunters will kill bears in remote locations, far from areas where conflicts with humans occur, as laws prevent hunting in residential areas. Sport hunting thus will not remove the "problem" bears and will not decrease grizzly-human conflicts. They will provide, however, that distorted "thrill" of causing and seeing a bear suffer and die just to be stuffed, mounted on someone's wall, or bragged about at a Safari Club meeting. Instead, providing natural food for grizzlies in their wild setting will keep the bears away from human populations.

When the rivers and creeks hold fish for the bears, when the forests carry the foraging nuts, berries and seeds plants that the bears consume, there will be no bear/human conflicts. We have encroached on their territory, cleared the land and removed their food sources. What would any species do to survive: look for food - and shelter - wherever it can! If we want to solve the problem of bear-human conflict, we must plant the flora they need: trees, shrubs and plants should be grown far from the humans who have encroached into their habitat. Likewise, we must protect the salmon runs and stock the rivers with fish. Do not kill the grizzlies, for that is an immoral response and only adds to our multitude of crimes against the natural world that the bears have occupied for millenia.

The solution to human/bear conflict has never involved sport hunting and bloodshed, what some might call a "fun day" for the 3%. Many believe that sport hunting does nothing but sate a perverse pleasure in that small 3% of the population who enjoy or want to watch living things - especially those larger than themselves - being tortured and die. It's even more exciting to watch pain and death if that living thing is larger than the hunter, and could if forced to defend itself, could harm the human. Like a wanton child claiming that it victoriously killed a passing bee, the hunter can boast, "I put that bear in its place!" Is this about satisfying sadistic attitudes of "dominance by the gun" toward wildlife, or about actually solving the problem? 3% of the population don't deserve a "party day" out killing wildlife; instead,

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in light of the blight on our natural world that humans have caused, and the hunting-driven extinctions we are witnessing before our eyes every day, hunting these bears should be prohibited and that ban strictly enforced.

Will the Montana officials truly look for a solution that does not involve slaughter? Will officials engage the means and volunteers to stock rivers, protect salmon and plant fruit, berry, nut and seed-bearing flora to nourish the bears? Will Montana officials provide educational forums to bring about non-conflict co-habitation while respecting the needs of the bears?

Officials, who often create advisory boards that are stacked with hunters and promote devolved policies of killing for sport or that harm wildlife, still have an obligation to serve the 97% of the population that do not support hunting, that believe slaughter is the worst solution to bear/wolf/large cat/human encounters. Let's instead use our intelligence and humanity to create a co-habitation that is safe for all.

Taffy Williams, President

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

No trophy hunting! We come to Montana to view grizzly bears, not to kill them!

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Name (optional):

Erica Hummel

Q3

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

I strongly oppose trophy hunting of Grizzly bears. As you must know, Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana. Allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival. I urge you to say NO to trophy hunting of Grizzly bears.

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Name (optional):

Pat Petro

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

I am entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

Crystal Wilson

Q3

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

Please stop allowing trophy hunting. Every animal is sacred and helps to balance the ecological system. We are doing so much harm to the Earth by eliminating species of animals.

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Name (optional):

Josh Heffron

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

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Name (optional):

Ellen Leary

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are an integral part of the ecosystem. They should not be hunted down and driven to extinction.

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Name (optional):

Karen Hodges

Q3

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

Trophy hunting of grizzly bears is incompatible with the important goal of increasing their numbers and promoting their recovery. They should be allowed to reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival. And it is certainly inappropriate for hunters to invade wilderness habitat to seek trophies; wilderness is a precious and dwindling resource whose values must be respected.

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Name (optional):

Rebecca Haynes

Q3

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

Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. There are still only about 1500 bears remaining, on about 2% of their former range. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live. I oppose trophy hunting of grizzly bears.

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Q3

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

It is obscene that these magnificent creatures are killed just so a few weak men can feel better about themselves.

Why not just take turns shooting each other? You can line up in two rows, and shoot each other at point-blank range. Now won't that be fun!

#295

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Edele Heath

Q3

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Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

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Name (optional):

Stephen Pedalino

Q3

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

Why would people want to hunt such a magnificent animal. Certainly not for food. Please don't allow the hunting of this species ever. Only ignorant people want to kill animals for their heads and hides , don't you think the animal needs them more ?

#297

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Name (optional):

Annette Ancel-Wisner

Q3

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

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If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for Grizzlies. Grizzlies are vital to shaping the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not what humans think their population limit should be. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing them to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

Say no to trophy hunting of grizzlies!

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Name (optional):

Claudio Henriques

Q3

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

I am totally opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including in the wild, counteracts the increase in the number of grizzly bears and does not allow the Big Bear to recover and reoccupy the critical habitat essential for its survival.

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Name (optional):

Heloise Henriques

Q3

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Name (optional):

Heloise Henriques

Q3

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Claudio Mattos

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Heloise Mattos

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Name (optional):

Lance Hicks

Q3

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

I fill that the Grizzly bear is unique to Montana. I do not see the need to hunt them just because we can. that does not seem wise to me

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carolanne Jackmore

Q3

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

There is nothing necessary about trophies, period. Please stop this practice, most especially for any and all threatened or weakened species populations. If they don't need to eat it, leave it alone. Thank you.

#305

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Name (optional):

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

I believe the Montana FWP should work on the regulations for allowing two seasons/year for hunting Grizzly bears as part of the Grizzly bear recovery plan. Hunting Grizzly bears would allow Montanans the opportunity to hunt Grizzly bears and participate in the ongoing conservation process. Today, most big game species in Montana are part of the hunting opportunity and it is used as a valuable tool in managing the various species and providing valuable monetary resources for the study and support of the FWP Biologist programs.

Grizzly bears in Montana are currently habituated to the fall hunting season and hunters and other outdoor enthusiasts are warned by the FWP to be bear aware. Some of the signs that have been posted by the FWP in Montana, warn hunters that the Grizzlies can be attracted to the sound of a gunshot, because the bear associates the sound with a dead animal and the bear is opportunistic enough to go for a free lunch. This leads to more bear/human interaction and potential harm to the human and bear. A hunter in the Clearwater /blackfoot area was killed by a grizzly after the hunter successfully harvested an elk and was preparing to remove the animal. The Grizzly was attracted to the hunter, due to the gunshot, and it resulted in a human fatality.

I have hunted many places in the US where Grizzly bears exist and are hunted. In these areas, when a gun shot is heard by the bears, the bears in the area are going away from the gunshot, because they associate the gun with a hunter and have some mutual respect for the danger the hunter can bring. This fact alone keeps bears away from people and can result in less human/bear interactions. The Grizzlies in Montana have never been hunted and do not associate humans with danger.

In states like Alaska where Grizzly bear populations exist, like the Kodiak island, old large boar Grizzlies are hunted to limit the number of young bear deaths due to the large boars killing and consuming the cubs. If the old bears are removed from the population, the cub mortality will go down and the number of total bears will increase.

I respectfully request that the advisory council members look to other states/provinces that allow grizzly bear hunting and work with the FWP to create a hunting opportunity for the two seasons proposed by the MT FWP.

I am a 4th Generation Montanan and have hoped that I could again hunt the Grizzly in Montana as a part of my personal conservation efforts. It is a well proven fact that hunting, is a valuable tool in the conservation of any species and I believe there is enough research worldwide to prove this true.

As a side note, I would have left my name on this comment, but I have done so in the past and been harassed by anti hunters and members of some of the hunting opposition groups. Sad state we live in , when we are a polarized population and cannot find compromise for the betterment of a species.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

For all of the reasons to hunt a magnificent and endangered species, the last rationale to allow hunting of grizzly bears should be to provide hunters with a "hunter opportunity," unless Montana is prepared to have grizzly bears go the way of other species on the brink of extinction. I implore you to do the right thing and not allow hunting of grizzly bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

John Baird

Q3

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

I am against the hunting of grizzly bears in Montana for the simple reason that there seems to be no good reason to do so. They wouldn't be killed for their meat. The only reason that I can come up with is the bragging rights an individual would attain from it. I am against killing any animal just because one has the desire to kill something.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Margaret Brownlee

Q3

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

I care about the future of grizzly recovery in Montana because they are an irreplaceable and important part of the ecosystem. And who does not admire and revere the grizzly, with its strength and beauty? Please ensure a healthy, non-stressed and respected grizzly population. We can all co-exist if we are mindful and ethical. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Sandi Ashley

Q3

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

I care about the future of grizzly recovery in Montana because the health of our wild places and all of the economic, psychological, physiological, social and spiritual benefits associated with it depend on a web of life of all native species.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Patricia Bradley

Q3

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

There must be NO DE-LISTING of the Grizzly Bear. There is urgent need for habitat connectivity for all wildlife; human population growth and development, road building, back-country activities have all caused changes in frequency of human-bear conflicts and the Grizzlies must have whatever land remains for their lives and protection. Listen to the cooperation of the citizens of the Blackfoot Valley who have pioneered successful co-existence strategy! Bear-delisting based on politically/questionable motives should be considered unscientific, unnecessary and UNTIMELY. The Bears have not recovered and must be protected as a species that is critical to balanced ecology as well as existential welfare of our State and Citizens. We MUST have the Grizzly Bear Protection Act. You represent us..do the right thing for us and America's iconic wildlife being. Thanks

#311

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Q1

Name (optional):

Peggy Mahle

Q3

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

I care about the future of grizzly recovery in Montana because our wildlife is suffering and disappearing.

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Name (optional):

Dan Wynn

Q3

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

I care about the future of grizzly recovery in Montana because...I MOVED MY FAMILY HERE BECAUSE OF THE PUBLIC LANDS AND WILDLIFE

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Name (optional):

Shari Sutherland

Q3

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

I have loved grizzly bears since I first saw one in the Hayden Valley in 1988. They are the epitome of wildness, and their magnificence is unparalleled. I have lived in the Gallatin Valley and hiked in the mountains and forests around it for 36 years, and have never felt threatened by a grizzly bear. I have never even SEEN a grizzly bear hiking in this area, although I know they are around, and I have hiked 5 days/wk for the last 10 years since I retired. I have seen them hiking only twice in Glacier Park and did not feel threatened by them there either, only thrilled to see them. I make 1/2 dozen 2 and 3-day trips to Yellowstone every spring and fall to see grizzlies, and spend significant money to support the gateway communities in lodging, gas and food. Friends come from all over the country to join me.

Grizzlies occupy only 3% of their former habitat in the lower 48 states, and we are lucky to still have them in MT. I believe much needs to be done to ensure their survival, and this includes: connecting the populations in the Glacier and Yellowstone ecosystems; not delisting them because their food sources are disappearing and their reproductive rate is so low; definitely NEVER hunting them (it would be a black eye the state would never recover from); working with ranchers and agricultural interests to give them nonlethal methods to avoid conflicts; educating communities about the necessity of bear proof garbage cans and not leaving food sources available; requiring that hunters carry bear spray; support for legislation allowing for permanent retirement of livestock grazing allotments from willing producers.

Governor Bullock created the Grizzly Bear Advisory Council to address challenges and set a long-term vision for bear management and conservation in Montana, not to pave the way for delisting.

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Name (optional):

Patricia Simmons

Q3

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

I live in Montana because of the wildlands, wilderness, native wildlife and fish and birds; even if I don't visit these precious natural resources. We need to protect the Earth and all its inhabitants, not just humans. Wildlife need food, living space, migration space, gene intermingling to protect the species. So I really care about the future of grizzly recovery in Montana. I participated in making comments to the federal government when they were trying to delist, that I was against delisting. We have climate change going on with fire, disease, plant disappearance, human development, lack of migration routes all negatively impacting the grizzly. We need to educate people, especially large land owners - farmers - ranchers, in the values us citizens hold and should hold about what was here before we "non-native" peoples came to this land. Put together a long-term plan for wildlife recovery, especially grizzly for the entire State. Natural resources including wildlife should have priority over desires of humans and we have an obligation to protect these resources.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nancy Hawkes

Q3

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

We need all wild animals California still has the flag and what do they have as far as grizzlies? We need to stop people not any wild animals

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alan Asa-Dorian

Q3

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

SoCal boy that moved to Montana for it's picturesque scenery & unique wildlife. There is no reason why anyone should hunt grizzlies. It took too long to bring back the population. Want to kill an animal get a deer tag! There's an abundance of deer.

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Name (optional):

Larry Robson

Q3

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

As a native Montanan, I feel that opening up hunting of grizzly bears is wrong-headed and ill-planned. Grizzlies are not a game animal and not so plentiful that we need to hunt them to control bear populations. We have a system in place to control "problem" bears. Hunting them is not a viable solution.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Kerry Krebill

Q3

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

Grizzly bears belong here and we have pushed them out. They should be allowed/enabled to return. They are also a big tourist deal, which is a valuable economic factor for our state..

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Q1

Name (optional):

Gerry Stearns

Q3

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

Grizzlies should not suffer because humans find them inconvenient. They are not responsible for fewer deer, elk or moose. They should be allowed to wander their restricted range without being hunted by humans. They attract millions of tourist dollars

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Q1

Name (optional):

Derek H

Q3

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

As a Christian and an avid outdoorsman and hunter I can see no reason to hunt a majestic animal such as a grizzly. Unless you need it for food or are defending a life....don't kill it!

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Name (optional):

Jill Weiser

Q3

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

The Grizzly Bear is a fragile member of the necessary web of life. All life is connected. Every member of a species affects the whole spectrum of life. We, in Montana, have been strong in our esteem and protection for our wonderful family of indigenous birds, plants, and animals. This is our pride and our history. Let us continue to be a role model state of intelligence, rather than a victim of wealthy out of state trophy hunters and just plain greedy and crude killing of our national treasures. Real Montanans have always valued our riches and our treasures. We citizens are a special breed in Montana, and we should continue to stand up for our wilderness treasures. Save the Grizzly Bear from hunting. In fact, promote their genetic diversity by continuing to connect the protected corridor in which they roam. Increase fines for the taking of any endangered species to astronomical heights and place those fines in a wildlife preservation fund to use positively.

Sincerely,
Jill Weiser, Kalispell, formerly of Havre and Lewistown

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Q1

Name (optional):

Carol Marsh

Q3

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

Please value and preserve every remaining grizzly in Montana! Wildlife is being devastated all over the world by deforestation and the ravages of climate change and human overpopulation. Grizzlies are not good to eat, and killing animals just for the fun of it is atrocious! All wildlife belongs on the Endangered Species List!

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Name (optional):

Tammy Fenske

Q3

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

Keep the Bears Safe!! We, as people, have to Stop destroying everything on our planet! We need to take care not continually hurt!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Peggy Brownlee

Q3

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

Grizzlies are icons of the western US and Canada. They are threatened on all sides by habitat loss, human populations and now, trophy hunting. This last threat must be eliminated!! Grizzlies belong to all of us, and the thought of taking these strong, beautiful animals as trophies is obscene. They are vital to our ecosystem, a draw for tourism, and valuable as beings on this earth. Please help protect them from this stupid, wasteful, despicable practice of trophy hunting. I want my grizzlies alive, thanks very much.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Mari Von Hoffmann

Q3

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

Cows are not worth grizzly bears! There are many places for cows and only a few places where grizzlies can live as nature intended.
NO grizzly bears should be taken for trophies! NO human needs a grizzly bear trophy.

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Name (optional):

John Chott

Q3

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

We moved to the Yaak from Texas 15 years ago because it was one of the few places left in the lower 48 that had a grizzly population. We are honored to share our space with bears and other wildlife.

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Name (optional):

Marsha Davis

Q3

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

Montana is special for many reasons, the foremost reason being its wild lands and the wildlife inhabiting them. Grizzly bears symbolize these vanishing wild places and must be protected. Bears have a right to live out their lives without being stalked and hunted. Trophy hunting of any species is morally wrong, and I urge you to protect the wildlife and wild places which make Montana truly magnificent and unique.

Thank you for your time,
Marsha Carter Davis

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Name (optional):

Kaye Grissom

Q3

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

The northern Rockies are one of the last truly wild places in the lower 48. The presence of large predators, especially grizzlies and wolves, set us apart from other mountain ecosystems in the US and draw visitors from all over the world seeking a true wilderness experience. Grizzlies AND wolves are a huge economic boost for Montana, however their worth isn't just in financial benefits. Their presence is a reminder of what used to be in North America and tiny pockets populations of these predators doesn't provide a true picture nor will it allow for sustainable populations.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charlene Crawford

Q3

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

Please do not open Montana's Grizzly population to trophy hunting! I live along the Northern Rocky Mountain Front and we encounter grizzly bears yearly. I understand that management is needed but trophy hunting is not the answer. I believe that trophy hunting is rooted in a lack of respect for other living beings right to live out their existence in peace and safety. I feel trophy hunters do not see animals as sentient beings but as objects to be killed for pleasure and their own self aggrandizement. Thank you for taking the time to consider my thoughts on the matter of trophy hunting grizzly bears in Montana.

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Name (optional):

Linda Mcdevitt

Q3

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

I care about the future of grizzly recovery in Montana because they are necessary for the balance we need.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Judy Moore

Q3

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

Grizzlies are essential to a healthy ecosystem in Montana. They are not dispensable trophies!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Pat Lapekas

Q3

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

I plead with you to not allow trophy hunting of grizzlies in Montana! They are a prize for all to enjoy and not as a dead body /head on someone's wall or hide on their floor! We have so few endangered grizzlies left please let them co exist

Thank you

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Name (optional):

Judy Hoy

Q3

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

My husband Bob and I have lived in Montana since 1963 because of the amazing wildlife here. I rehabilitated wildlife, including black bears from 1969 through 2019 and am a volunteer for MDFWP and Bob was a career Game Warden who retired in 2000. A health problem began interfering with my ability to take good care of the animals brought for care in 2020, but I still watch and photograph wildlife and work on studies concerning the birth defects and health issues on wildlife. Consequently, my husband, Bob, a biologist/game warden/wildlife researcher and I, also a biologist and wildlife researcher, know quite a lot about wildlife, including bears, ungulates, rodents, other mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians. When Bob worked with bears as part of his job, the bears that caused problems were almost never the ones that people killed during hunting seasons. In general, the ones that were killed by hunters lived in the wild and never bothered anyone. If a well behaved bear is hunted and killed, another bear will often take over its territory and that bear might be a bad actor, that then gets into trouble with humans when the hunting season is not on. Troublesome bears should be dealt with as the problem occurs and in accordance with what the bear happens to be doing, with as much care as possible taken to keep the bear alive and contributing to the long term survival of grizzlies. If the bear is doing something that can't be tolerated or mitigated, that bear and that bear alone should be removed from the population. A lot of tourists come to Montana in hopes of seeing a bear, especially a grizzly bear, and tourists, wildlife watchers, photographers, etc. are huge economic benefits to Montana businesses. While we are on the subject of watching instead of killing wildlife, the thousands of non-target animals and even those trappers are actually trying to kill, would be worth far more alive than they are dead and trapping is barbaric. I took care of and saved or tried to save a lot of non-target mammals and birds, so I know how horrible the injuries are and how painful to the trapped animal. Thank you for your consideration for Montana's wildlife, and grizzly bears in particular. By the way, the thousands of studies I have read concerning the effects of pesticides indicates that pesticides kill many thousands more Montana domestic animals in than what all the grizzlies, wolves, mountain lions and coyotes do combined. Why is that never considered? The pesticides also kill and maim your own children and grandchildren and those of the ranchers, but I have noticed that since children definitely can't be hunted, no one cares what happens to them. Check out the studies and photo documents that show the birth defects on the animals on my website (www.judyhoy.com) to see that I am telling the truth. Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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Name (optional):

Thomas Satterly

Q3

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

Haven't we killed enough? Please give the world a break. As recent events clearly show, if we don't give the world a break, it can and will break us.

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Name (optional):

John Donovan

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are the apex predator in our Montana ecosystem and serve a critical function in that role. I definitely oppose a grizzly hunt and particularly a trophy hunt. That takes out of the breeding population healthy males who are important for the strengthening of the gene pool. The science does not support such a hunt, and the economics point in the same direction. Thousands of tourists come to Montana and spend their vacations here just in the hope of seeing a grizzly bear or other iconic Montana animals. The economy of Glacier Country depends on preserving these animals who are so critical to the tourist experience.

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Name (optional):

Steve Guettermann

Q3

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

With approximately 800 grizzly bears in Montana, and only 1,500 left in the lower 48, it seems unconscionable that this could be considered a "recovered population" able to support trophy hunting when the grizzly numbered an estimated 50,000 at its peak. Trophy hunting is both discriminate and non-discriminate, meaning that some female animals could be taken who are caring for young, while larger, more dominate bears - the pride of the gene pool - are taken for rugs. With the increasing threats of things such as habitat loss from human encroachment and food loss due to climate change, it seems more intelligent and humane solutions should lie in giving the Great Bear more room to roam through corridors, rather than adding the stress of hunting.

Thank you for your consideration

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Name (optional):

Mary Naive

Q3

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

Vote against a trophy hunt for Grizzlies in Montana. Grizzlies remain on the Endangered Species list and Montana is the key to eventual full recovery. Our state has the most grizzly bears in the lower 48, what happens here, and now, is crucial. We need strong measures for coexistence between people and bears and intact, connected habitats.

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Q1

Name (optional):

George Ulrich

Q3

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

Stop acting like you are above Grizzlies. I want them protected for all time

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sandi and David Ashley

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are a critical part of the web of life and the balance of nature in the Northern Rockies. They make the wilderness wild! It is thrilling to see one and to share wilderness with them. They are an important part of what draws tourists to our state. Please treat them and their presence in our state with respect and protection.

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Name (optional):

Andy Puckett

Q3

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

Dear Council Members,

I am writing in opposition to the establishment of a grizzly hunt in Montana. The apex predator fills an absolutely necessary role in the northern Rockies ecosystem. Its recovery is a symbol of the tremendous growth in insight our society has exhibited. This recovery, though strong, is yet incomplete. More work is imperative.

As a hunter in MT, I recognize the contribution of hunters to the conservation of our wildlife. This however does not make me feel that we are ready to hunt this magnificent creature. Some day, I hope that we need a management plan, but we are NOT there yet.

Thank you for working on this critical issue,

Andy Puckett

Missoula

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Name (optional):

Jon A & Ellen S Wilson

Q3

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

Grizzly bears should be protected, not hunted. They are one of the species that make Montana a unique tourist destination, and they are much more valuable alive.

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Name (optional):

Richerd Brewer

Q3

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

The grizzly bears deserve better. How deplorable it is to think we as humans would get a thrill of trophy hunting such a valuable asset to Montana. These animals are incredible there habitat is shrinking their population is constantly under threat by cars and humans trash being left out...Give them a break and allow them to be managed in a fair and equitable way...We are wiping out far to many species in Africa through allowing trophy hunting.

They have as much right to living on this planet as we homosapiens do. They are so much more valuable alive than dead stuffed in some persons wall mount. Hunting grizzlies does not improve social tolerance. We just had an adult female and two cubs pass through our yard . It was an incredible sight.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Donald Biehl

Q3

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

Grizzly Bears have a place in our ecosystem. The bears do some population control on their own. We are the interlopers. Give the Grizzly some space to live as they can.

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Name (optional):

Gary Jones

Q3

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

Trophy hunts are totally irresponsible! Thousands of people come to Montana to view/watch grizzlies, they spend thousands of tourist dollars over a wide spectrum of the community. Trophy hunters spend a few thousand to destroy a single animal. Why would you even consider allowing a few greedy jerks to destroy the source of such overwhelming viewing pleasure for so many people. Beyond economic responsibility there's the Earth-right responsibility to protect Nature's gifts. They are not targets, nor ego inflating dominance goals for intellectually challenged, adolescent-minded troglodytes.

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Name (optional):

Brandt Williams

Q3

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

There is no need to hunt trophy grizzlies. Let them recover and be the apex species they are meant to be. Their eco system is being encroached and threatened. We have learned the hard lessons with Covid-19 when humans tamper with the natural balance. Hunting grizzlies only satisfies human ego and does not help the environment we as humans rely on for our survival.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Tia Azure

Q3

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

Grizzlies are important to me as a Montanian! Please ban hunting them for sport. Enough sadly die for contacting humans. They were here long be for any other person besides Native Americans. They deserve to be safe!!!

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Name (optional):

Nike Stevens

Q3

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

I am concerned that hunting will cause declines in Grizzly bear populations. Grizzly populations are naturally slow growing and face significant losses due to conflicts with human interests. Montana's human population is growing rapidly near Grizzly range. I also do not think that a bearskin rug is as valuable as a wild native grizz. Grizz are inconvenient and can be troublesome they make Montana Montana and are worth the trouble they cause. Grizz make Montana's wild lands really wild.

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Name (optional):

Mike Bittner

Q3

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

The grizzly bears need protection. NO trophy hunting of these animals.

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Name (optional):

Mark Bould

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are amazing animals, do not endorse a trophy hunt to control their populations. I love the wildlife in Montana, particularly the mighty, iconic grizzly! Please also note: Hunting grizzlies does not improve social tolerance. Bears that are hunted are rarely the same ones causing conflicts with people. Grizzly bears are a huge economic driver for Montana and are more valuable alive than dead.

Many thanks

Mark

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Name (optional):

Torey Hill

Q3

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

I moved to Montana 3 years ago for the reason that many people do. to enjoy the abundant wildlife, the diverse ecosystems, the multitude of rivers, lakes, and mountains to explore, and the small communities of like minded folks. Out of the 9 states I have lived in, Montana is by far the greatest state I have ever had the pleasure to call home. As I'm sure you're aware of, ecosystems are very delicate & intricate systems, more so now than ever due to climate change and rapid destruction of natural habitats. Trophy hunting grizzly bears will not only accelerate the extinction of the species, but it will also have deadly repercussions on entire ecosystems. These delicate ecosystems are exactly what make Montana so great, the abundance of wildflowers, trees, birds, fish & other wildlife. Please see that by allowing grizzlies to be hunted, you are opening a door to the eventual decimation of what makes this state so special. I urge you to honor Montana's vast wildernesses & its' inhabitants thereof so that we can proudly declare the title of The Last Best Place for generations to come. Thank you for your time.

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Name (optional):

Fred Teifke

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are a huge part of the reason people visit Montana and a huge economic driver for tourism, leave them alone and drop this barbaric concept of hunting them for trophies. We're better stewards of Montana than that, shame on you for even thinking its a good idea!

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Name (optional):

Susan Hinkins

Q3

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

I have lived in Montana for almost 50 years and I chose to move here because of the wild lands and wildlife. Over the years when I was hiking and backpacking, I saw grizzly bears in the wild only three times. Luckily, it was always from a safe distance and the sight was inspiring. Grizzly bears represent to me the health of our wilderness, and they are endangered. Good management would imply identifying problems or problem areas and finding the best solution for the health of the wildlife. A trophy hunt doesn't target problem bears or specific areas of conflict between bears and humans. Simply reducing numbers is not a good management plan. People come to Montana to experience the open spaces, the wilderness, and for the chance to see wildlife in these open spaces. What excites people the most is the chance to see grizzlies and wolves. As remnants of the American wilderness, they are important to us.

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Name (optional):

Colin Thompson

Q3

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

Grizzly bears are one of the iconic symbols of this great state, but it isn't a grizzly bear skin on a wall that piques the imagination and gets the blood racing. Since I moved to Montana, I've seen plenty of wildlife, but the grizzly bear is the one iconic animal that I've really been excited to see in the wild. I've spotted a grizzly bear rug. That didn't provide the same level of excitement that a live animal provides.

Tourism is the fastest-growing sector in this state. Environmental tourism is one of the fastest-growing sectors of tourism. Live grizzly bears will drive those platforms. Dead grizzly bears certainly will not.

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Name (optional):

James Pahre

Q3

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

As a Montanan I take pride in our wildlife and the grizzly bears we love. I support grizzly bear recovery and urge you to help further recovery. I urge you to not allow trophy hunting of these iconic and valued bears.

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Name (optional):

Patricia Bradley

Q3

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

There MUST be a place for a connected and intact habitat for Grizzly Bears. This large bodied animal needs space. Humans have more space that they need. Humans can hunt but there is NO NEED, economically nor prestigiously to hunt a species as limited in numbers as Grizzlies. We need bears, alive and prospering, not trophies. Please do not consider hunting Grizzlies as any specious solution or remedy. Let's share our State with wildlife. People will come to see.

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Name (optional):

Marie Gary

Q3

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

Montana born and raised. The mystery and awe of the grizzly bears is part of our natural inheritance. Please do not authorize the hunting of the grizzly. Also these animals are sacred to the Native American and that matters. It is such a thrill when you get to see a grizzly bear from afar . Grateful for your work to protect these animals. Thank you.

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Name (optional):

Sally Dickinson

Q3

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

Grizzlies are important to my husband and me because they are an integral part of the association of animals and plants that are the very foundation of the places we love in Montana.. We need to move swiftly to make sure there is LAND SET ASIDE IN PERPETUITY for those grizzlies to roam and live free. The fact that grizzlies appear to be recovering should direct us to act swiftly to ensure the land is there for these native species. We have a slim window in which to take action. More and more people continue to move to Montana, in part because of the wildness left here. That's why we came here 5 years ago, from Florida. It might be interesting to see the results of what happened in Florida when the presence of bears was challenged.

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Name (optional):

Keith Atcheson

Q3

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

I'd like to thank all the members for their commitment to the Grizzly Bear Advisory Council. I'd also highly recommend that a spring and fall hunt be allowed and supported by the council members as part of the overall management tools available to MDFWP managers. Current bear numbers easily support limited hunting opportunities for those who wish to hunt a grizzly. Bear hunting dates back to prehistoric times and is widely accepted and legal in Alaska, Yukon, NWT, Russia and many other European countries. For some, the desire and interest to hunt a grizzly has never changed over time and biologically there is absolutely no reason not to allow some hunting to take place in MT, WY, and Idaho where bear numbers are considered to be recovered. There are literally tens of thousands of hunters in this country that would like an opportunity to hunt a grizzly. Over 8,000 hunters applied for a license in WY just a few years ago only to be denied at the last minute by a biased federal judge in Missoula. Grizzly Bear populations have been monitored and studied by a huge amount since Gov. Marc Racicot closed the season in the mid 70's. The GYA grizzly population has been recovered for over a decade by MDFWP and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service delisted Grizzlies in 2007. The argument that grizzly hunting should not take place based on raw emotions, anti hunting philosophy or other negative sentiments is a position that many hunters and non hunters alike do not support. After 41 years and well documented recovery, millions of dollars spent, tens of thousands of Montanans are in support of a limited Spring and Fall hunting season for *Ursus arctos horribilis*, the Grizzly Bear.

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

Why not ? Have we not learned enough from wolf management? Control,control , Control.

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Q3

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

I believe we need to have a spring and fall Grizzly hunting season. It's getting far to dangerous to hike in the mountains. It's hard to enjoy hiking in our great state with an over abundance of grizzlies . They need to be managed.

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Name (optional):

robert richards

Q3

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

Hunting is a part of the western tradition. It is part of what makes Montana Montana. It is part of what makes Wyoming Wyoming, etc. Further it has been demonstrated that money generated thru hunting and the management of ALL game species by state hunting and fishing departments is the soundest way to assure healthy game populations. The grizzly bear population has been recovered for many years. It should now be managed to include hunting. I strongly support instituting both a Spring and Fall grizzly hunting season.

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Name (optional):

Jim Haugh

Q3

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

After spending considerable time in the wilderness in many places that have grizzly bears both hunted and not hunted. I believe a well managed spring and fall grizzly bear hunt in MT would be beneficial to state as well as the bears. I would encourage the harvest to be mature boars and maybe making the tag a once in a lifetime for a hunter. Grizzlies are magnificent animals but as with all wildlife in modern society they need managed. It is much better to hunt them to manage their population than any other method. Please consider opening up a grizzly season and not caving into environmentalists who usually have no idea how things actually work in nature.

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Name (optional):

John Powell

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

I support a limited Grizzly bear hunt in Montana. We heard for years how endangered they are, yet now they have recovered. The proceeds could go to help in sustaining and/or improving habitat; hunting them would help them fear man as they should. I have hunted and killed Grizzly in Alaska and quite frankly it is a thrill to hunt a species that can fight back-I had a couple of close encounters.

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Name (optional):

Richard J Kidd

Q3

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

I fully support a spring and fall grizzly season in Montana.

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Name (optional):

Chuck

Q3

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

The science says the bears are recovered so I believe a limited hunt would be Good for the population! The old saying " if it pays it stays" is true. A season would bring in revenue to study and manage the population, so bring on the the tags. Thank You

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Name (optional):

David Morris

Q3

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

I believe that a limited, quota-based spring and fall hunting season for grizzly bears should be considered as part of the overall management system. They have been off the "endangered" list for over a decade now.

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Name (optional):

Randy Rathie

Q3

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

I support a hunting season for Grizzlies. Bears that are hunted will remain wild and stay out away from people. They now are becoming tame and used to humans.

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Randy Rathie

Q3

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

I believe we should open a spring and fall season for grizzly bear hunting.

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

The hunting of Grizzly Bears is scientifically unsound, unethical, an insult to Tribal interests. I am deeply apposed to any policy that would promote or allow hunting of Grizzly bears.

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Name (optional):

Bob Beebe

Q3

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

As a regular NR hunter in MT, I support a spring and fall hunting season for grizzly bears. Hunting needs to be a tool for the state to use in line with sustainable use conservation.

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Name (optional):

Kevin Mullin

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

I am in favor of an appropriately scaled spring and fall Grizzly Bear hunting season in Montana.

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Name (optional):

Wayne Rodd

Q3

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

I believe biologists using scientific data should be allowed to determine whether or not a hunting season is warranted, especially on apex predators like grizzly bears that have an impact on other wildlife and surrounding areas. I support any season that can keep checks and balances including a hunting season on grizzlies.

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Name (optional):

Nicole Atcheson

Q3

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

I support a spring and fall grizzly bear hunting season!!!

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Name (optional):

Richard Denny

Q3

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

Please be advised that as a Montana Citizen and Homeowner I support hunting and having a hunting season be it fall, Spring or both. The science is clear and FWP has done an outstanding job of managing our wildlife. There needs to be a hunting season for bears and for wolves also. Just as we hunt and manage Elk, Sheep and Deer. We need to manage the predators as well. Thanks - Richard Denny.

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Name (optional):

Denise Boggs

Q3

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

First, I feel the Advisory Council is not balanced and does not include anyone representing biological diversity, or any bear biologists. It appears political and heavily weighted towards livestock ranching and those who appease ranching. Our organization is opposed to grizzly bear hunting. It is absurd to hunt a species with such low reproduction rates. FWP keeps stating there are bears in areas they never were before but this untrue - humans continue to build and encroach into areas that Grizzly bears have historically used. This animal is nowhere near recovered and in fact there have been more deaths in the past two years than ever before due to poaching and hatred of this animal by ranchers and outfitters. It is grossly irresponsible for FWP to even consider a spring hunt. A sow would be killed, therefore killing any cubs she might have. There is not one progressive wildlife agency in the USA that permits spring bear hunting of any kind. MDFWP has lost its way and no longer uses science or biology to guide its management. Climate change is a tremendous factor that must be considered in bear management because they are losing food sources and having to wander farther. Use of bear spray in grizzly country should be mandatory and people caught without it should be fined \$1,000 minimum. Ranchers should receive zero compensation for livestock losses if they aren't using all available deterrents, most of which are free including the use of guard animals. Check the statistics for how many livestock are killed by grizzlies compared to illness, lightning strikes, and poor management. In the big picture the loss of livestock is negligible. The public is so tired of this issue being politicized. It used to be the public could count on MDFWP to use science in management but it is now little more than an extension of the Livestock Department. People flock from all over the world to MT (which receives over a billion dollars in revenue) for just the chance to see a grizzly bear. This animal is used as a mascot for schools and many businesses use the word "Grizzly" in their name. It seems plenty of people are willing to make money off this animal, yet show no respect for the animal itself. The overwhelming majority of Montanans want grizzly bears on the landscape, secure from hunting, for future generations. Your job is to ensure that; not to cave into political agendas and livestock interests.

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Name (optional):

Larry Lewis

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

I support a grizzly bear hunting season with sound state run biologic science.

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Name (optional):

Linda Dankmeyer

Q3

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

I am absolutely opposed to trophy hunting, of ANY animals.

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Name (optional):

Neil Bleifeld

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

Nothing ruins a day in the park like the sound of gunfire not far off.

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Name (optional):

Jen Danner

Q3

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

I am opposed to trophy hunting of Grizzly Bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

Orva M Gullett

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Grizzly bears were once pushed to the brink of extinction in the lower 48 states, so in 1975 they were listed for protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). While some progress has been made over the past 40-plus years to recover grizzly bear populations, today there are still only an estimated 1,500 grizzlies in the contiguous 48 states and they are found within less than 2 percent of their historic range. Grizzly bears have very low reproductive rates and continue to face excessive death rates caused by cars, trains, hunters claiming self-defense, poaching, livestock-related "control" actions, and other heavy-handed management. In fact, the last two years have seen record-breaking grizzly deaths in Montana.

Even though the grizzly bear is still protected by the ESA, the state of Montana is considering allowing trophy hunting of grizzlies once they are de-listed from the ESA. Trophy hunting of grizzly bears would be allowed on public lands, including wild lands within America's National Wilderness Preservation System and wild public lands immediately adjacent to Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks.

If trophy hunting was allowed by the state of Montana, iconic Wilderness areas in Montana like the Bob Marshall, Great Bear, Scapegoat, Lee Metcalf, Absaroka-Beartooth, and Cabinet Mountains Wilderness would no longer be safe havens for the Great Bear.

Grizzlies are keystone species that help shape the ecosystems in which they live. Their numbers should be allowed to fluctuate according to habitat conditions, not some human-conceived population limit. Where grizzlies thrive, so will the wild places in which they live.

Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

The killing must stop to protect the Grizzly Bear for future generations.

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Name (optional):

Claudio Henriques

Q3

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NO TROPHY HUNTING

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Now is your chance to raise your voice for grizzly bears and tell the State of Montana's Grizzly Bear Advisory Council that you are entirely opposed to the idea of allowing trophy hunting of grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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Name (optional):

Heloisia Henriques

Q3

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Claudio Mattos

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Heloisa Mattos

Q3

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joe Neuman

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

" I support a spring and fall grizzly bear season in Montana"

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason Sandifer

Q3

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

I support a spring and fall season for Grizzly Bear season in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Shawn Bisch

Q3

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

I support grizzly bear hunting in Montana. Not that this is necessarily related, but it's obvious that there is an increasing number of dangerous encounters with grizzly bears each year in Montana, which is likely due to the larger than optimal grizzly population. Human life and wellbeing is infinitely more important than the emotional attachment to grizzlies that anti-hunters have.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Matt Holloway

Q3

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

Dear GGBAC Members.

Firstly, I hope everyone is safe and healthy during these strange times of pandemic.

Secondly, as an avid hunter and outdoorsman, I am writing to ask you to vehemently oppose any thoughts or recommendations of grizzly bear hunting. There is absolutely no science that suggests, much less proves, that hunting actually controls populations of grizzly bears. Sure, this absolutely works with whitetail deer, but it doesn't and won't work with grizzly bears. Grizzlies are largely nocturnal and their breeding attributes are nothing like deers'. They are the second-slowest reproducing mammal on the planet!

Regardless, any sort of grizzly hunting is just a flexing of the ego. It has no basis in science or population management, and until proven otherwise, should be admonished. Nor is there any science that proves hunting grizzly bears causes them to "fear" humans more, thus creating "safer" forests and mountains. There is no science that supports any of this!

Once again, I am an avid hunter. But I hunt only for meat for my family. To kill a grizzly bear would be simply for bragging rights, and that becomes "killing." I am happy and comfortable with who I am, and I do not need to kill a large predator to feel tough.

Please respect the absolute lack of science here and do the right thing--no hunting grizzly bears in Montana.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Best,

Matt Holloway

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Name (optional):

Tim Linehan

Q3

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

To: Grizzly Bear Advisory Council

Thanks for taking the time to review and consider my opinion.

I wanted to encourage the committee as a whole to immediately put a spring and fall grizzly bear hunt on the table here in Montana as part of the recovery plan. In specific areas we now have recovered populations of bears. Presently some elements of the general public see all grizzly bears as problematic which actually hurts recovery instead of helping. I believe if you give the general public a stake in the process, in this case in the form of a hunt, it will actually help alleviate some of the underlying acrimony constantly directed to the bears and all recovery efforts. Grizzly bears and the recovery effort are often used as a scapegoat by some elements of the general public and blamed for all that's wrong in the state. This sentiment is ancient and bad for bears. To use the cliché, it helps to bleed the abscess from time to time.

Provided it's done with in line with recovery efforts and based on sound science, I would appreciate seeing a limited grizzly bear hunt again here in the state.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Anna Brewer

Q3

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

this is outrageous, killing these sentient beings while they are bothering nobody, just for the thrill of killing!

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Yes, its time to move on with common sense management of Grizzly bears to scientific and socially acceptable levels, which should include the use of regulated public hunting, which since its inception has never been responsible for the extinction of any species, actually the opposite.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chase R. Martin

Q3

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

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Q3

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I oppose trophy hunting for grizzly bears. Allowing trophy hunters to shoot grizzly bears, including deep within Wilderness areas, runs contrary to increasing grizzly bear numbers and allowing the Great Bear to recover and reoccupy critical habitat essential for their survival.

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

I am totally oppose to any kind of hunting of our grizzlies

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

Leave them alone

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Q1

Name (optional):

Chinanan Bradish

Q3

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

Please End these Cruelty!!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Duangphorn Phumradi

Q3

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

Please End these Cruel!

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Q1

Name (optional):

Sandy and Connie Selvey

Q3

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

First, we would like to thank all of you for your work on the council; we realize it is not an easy job and a lot of information has to be reviewed and discussed.

Second, we read with great interest, the opinion article in the Billings Gazette dated May 22, 2020 by Mr Zack Strong.

We join in with Mr Strong's opinion; there really is no rational reason for the intentional killing of grizzlies for the fun of it.

We most respectfully request that all of you hard working council members very carefully evaluate Mr. Strong's opinions based on fact, science, and the reality of our existence with mother natures's world of animals that we humans need and should co-exist with.

Thank you for your time..

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Q1

Name (optional):

Shawn

Q3

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

Proper management including harvesting Grizzly is needed for this state.

#401

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Start a season and manage the grizzlies. There's way too many. Hunting grizzlies will drastically decrease the amount of people being mauled.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jared

Q3

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

Please utilize science based management that allows hunting and works to mitigate human-wildlife conflict while keeping healthy populations

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Q1

Name (optional):

Joseph Ferronato

Q3

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

Grizzly bear populations have sky rocketed and continue to grow greatly year after year. It is time to manage the populations with appropriate hunting opportunities that are regulated by our state fish and wildlife agency. It is time to base this decision off science rather than emotion. No matter where you stand in the issue of hunting, everyone should rejoice that the conservation work done to rebuild grizzly populations has worked very well. Now it is time take the appropriate steps to manage the population same as we do for other game animals in the state. Hunting is the next step in sustainable conservation for the grizzly bear.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Dan Kennedy

Q3

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

Grizzly bears must be managed appropriately by people who truly understand how to do it. It is dangerous for bears and humans when they have no fear of us. People who do not hold a hunting license should not vote on how to manage any animal. Do this right and allow hunters to help control and ultimately save Grizzly Bears.

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Q1

Name (optional):

H.Fitzpatrick

Q3

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

Its far past due that Montana institutes a biologically sustainable hunting season on Grizzly bears.
Human and livestock conflict is more common by the day.
The bears continue to breed, but their habitat is not getting any bigger.
A restructrd hunt can certainly trim the numbers into a number that can more comfortably support the bears.
I'm 100% behing a regulated hunting season to trim the population.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jeremy Huffman

Q3

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

With the increasing interactions between grizzlies and humans, I feel it is past time to allow hunters to help control the grizzly population. Even if the tag is only available via draw for residents. I feel the grizzly population has reached a sustainable number. They should be delisted and a small number of tags given out.

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Name (optional):

Ken Jackson

Q3

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

Much like wolves, grizzly bears should be managed according to science rather than emotion. As we practice the north American wildlife model of conservation, hunters are key to management. It is time to allow some level of Grizzly bear hunting.

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Name (optional):

Howard Mee

Q3

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

Please open a hunting season on grizzly bears. All animals need to be managed, no matter how iconic they may be. Bears are incredibly smart. If MT were to open a season, the bears would be more likely to avoid humans. I personally have seen this behavior change in the wolves and I believe the same change will happen with the grizzly bears. Plus the revenue generated through tag/application fees would generate management funds. I could go on and talk for ever, but a hunting season is a win-win for the bears. Thank you.

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Q1

Name (optional):

David

Q3

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

Suggest tags for the hunt be a true lottery.

Residents only.

No outfitters.

First hunt phase should be reviewed after five years.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Devon Miller

Q3

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

We are already years behind on proper management of Grizzlies and they are out of control just like you let the wolves get and not only are the devastating our moose and elk calves they are putting people in danger now too. Sure glad we get to live in this great state yet our voices and opinions dont mean jack its always some dipshit transplanted living in Missoula or Bozeman or better yet DC.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Craig Mueller

Q3

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

I believe that management of all species is a must. We need to have a balance. Without a balance it will decimate all game animals and also put people at risk.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Taylor McGarrigle

Q3

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

Grizzly bears in the greater Yellowstone area need to be managed like any other type of game animal. Conflicts between humans and grizzlies keep happening and the frequency seems to increase. Stop letting people make decisions on matters like this when they are basing decisions off of opinion and NOT SCIENCE. The North American model of wildlife management works because we base it off of science, not opinions. We cannot start picking and choosing the species of animals that we choose to apply this model or management to. It works in Alaska, it will work just fine in Montana.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nathan

Q3

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

It is time to back sound science and known recovery goals. Get it done

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Q3

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

We need a grizzly bear draw season to manage these animals like all other big game species. Real science based management is needed.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Alec Mortel

Q3

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

I am an out of state hunter and very much enjoyed buying an elk archery license and partaking in a 9 day hunt in 2019. We hunted the gravelly range (multiple grizzly attacks there before we went) and more specifically Sheep Mountain as well as Lazy man creek area. However, I have reservations about going back due to the amount of Grizzly sign. We also spoke with a local rancher and he gave us a very stern warning about hunting the area we were hunting due to grizzly presence. And to top it all off, we had to abandon an elk that a hunter in our party shot due to grizzly tracks intercepting and then following the blood trail of our elk. We were 5 miles from camp and we had no choice but to abandon the track for safety reasons. We also came onto the tracks of a grizzly that was heading our direction but wined us (thankfully) Very frustrating. In summary, beautiful country, lots of elk sightings, even more grizzly sign and the constant fear of a grizzly being right around the corner.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Anthony Gossack

Q3

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

Yes, the North American model of wildlife conservation has proven successful as based on SCIENCE! We can manage grizzlies successfully and not damage their population. It is time! Not to mention the human bear activity that is increasing and dangerous.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Hunter Lewis

Q3

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

Grizzly bear populations should be managed through a public hunting season. This decision should NOT be controlled by out of state interest groups that ignore scientific research.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Robert rogan

Q3

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

If game and fish feels the species is at a point where they can be managed, then they should be added back as a species that can be harvested via hunting. The tag sales and or accumulated preference points will further support the conservation of the species.

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Name (optional):

Thomas Smith

Q3

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

Why follow the North American Model of Conservation on all species except Grizzlies bears? It doesn't work like that. Grizzlies need to be hunted just like every other North American Big Game Animal. Hunting generates the most money for conservation. Those who don't think Grizzlies should be hunted need to learn about the North American Model for Conservation. The money generated by just 1 tag would do more for the species than just having protections on them and not having any money generated.

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Q3

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

As an avid outdoorsman and resident in MT it's sad to see our state not act upon this sooner. They need to be managed just like any other species we cherish here! How many more people need to get attacked or killed before we open our eyes up to this non-sense!!

#421

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

I believe there needs to be a better management of the grizzly bears in Montana. They have no fear and will come running to game calls and rifle shots witch is not good for man and bear in encounters. All these attacks this year and many more as the population will spread because habitat will not be able to hold al the bears.

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Name (optional):

Jeff Johnson

Q3

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

I'm glad to see that sustainable management through hunting has come to the forefront.

The recovery of the grizzly bear is looking quite successful and I look forward to a positive management framework. I hope that it will be strictly based on a scientific approach at what the landscapes will support & reducing negative interactions with people who earn their living on the landscape & those who enjoy the outdoors, and not from outside influence, social pressures and ballot box biology.

I look forward to a continued presence of the grizzly bear, as it belongs on the landscape, and hope the management will help to keep the bears in sustainable numbers.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Grizzly bear management is necessary, now more than ever! The liberals and their judges that are locking up these management plans in the courts with lawsuits and such do not understand that they are doing more harm than good!

#424

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

It's time to manage bears, it's time to let locals make decisions. Some judge shouldn't be making decisions for something they know nothing about, the bear population is high

#425

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Q1

Name (optional):

Jason

Q3

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

I would absolutely like to see a Hunting season for grizzly bears. They are an important part of our ecosystem, and properly managing them is key in keeping the population in check with what the state can hold and yet practice outdoor recreation. I think a lottery system with bonus points similar to what is used for bighorn sheep and moose would be appropriate.

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Name (optional):

Q3

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

Stick to the science to determine if bear hunts are useful. Need to consider impact to elk and other animals. I am all for the hunt at a controlled level.

#427

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Q1

Name (optional):

Nathan Creek

Q3

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

Being born and raised in Gardiner MT, I have encountered 100s of different bears over there. Being a passionate outdoorsman, and knowing the number of bears that are killed each yr by FWP... they is absolutely no reason not to pursue a organize bear hunt. I do not think non residents should be in mix, let's keep this for Montana's! Thanks

#428

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Name (optional):

Riley Zavada

Q3

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

First of all, as a hunter, I have nothing against grizzly bears, and I feel they have a place in Montana just like the wolves do. I feel, much like with the wolves, that their population is finally at a point where we can begin to manage them through hunting. I understand that there is a different dynamic to managing predators than elk or deer, but I feel we could manage them through limited hunting in areas above population objective, particularly where there is increasing human and bear conflicts.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Charles

Q3

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

MAKE THIS STATE ONLY for public comments! I don't appreciate national organizations influencing my State's GBAC direction. GBAC needs to push for effective State Management of our State's grizzly population. pressure DOI/USFWS to delist grizzlies.

How ridiculous is this? Name (optional), Email (optional) ABSURD!!!! Define it by Montana Resident address. FOIA requests for info, the Name/Address blot out however, at least from a State advisory council, the comments received hold some form of limited verification. Hell of a lot better than opening my State's request for comments to ANYONE OUTSIDE MY STATE!

#430

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Name (optional):

Sam Clyde

Q3

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

Hi, I'm a nonresident hunter that wants to pursue hunting more in Montana. I recently was spring bear hunting and was after a nice bear I had been watching for a couple days. I talked to a landowner to get access and I was informed there was a sow grizzly with 3 yearling cubs in the area I was hunting. They were very close to where I wanted to be. It completely changed my hunt I never went in there again. Mostly because of the fear of an encounter but also if I had an encounter and had to fire or kill the bear, I was worried I'd be fined for not taking the correct precautions. I wish Montana would not throw the book at you over defending your life or try and twist it so it's your fault. I was told by a warden once if I shot a grizzly at full charge at 50 yards I would be hauled to jail. The same warden told me I had to wait until about 20 yards before firing on a grizzly. A bear traveling 35mph at full charge will cover 20 yards in under 1 second. The bears are putting fear into people and keeping them from pursuing what they come to Montana to do. Montana needs to accept the fact that there is a grizzly problem. Something needs to be done to basically put the fear back grizzly's that humans can hurt them and I feel there will be less people being mauled. We are lucky most people that have been mauled have been grown men and not little kids. If something isn't done some people are going to get killed. Please get a management plan together and get a season on these bears, it's time and needs to be done.

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Q1

Name (optional):

Eli eash

Q3

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

It is high time to have a season as over population has pushed the grizzlies into neighborhoods where it endangers our animals and kids. Just had an aggressive male trapped in our neighborhood two nights ago. Fortine area.

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Name (optional):

Kerry

Q3

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

Grizzlies like many other animals are risking extinction!

These animals have an enormous pantry and have very few cubs. they only reproduce if they are in condition to do so! At this rate killing them for "fun" we will see them no more!! Compliments to the human race!!

#433

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Name (optional):

A Montana resident

Q3

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

There's too many bears and too many instances of human and bear confrontations. I live in West Yellowstone and we can't even let our kids out to play for fear of what could happen. The population numbers set forth with the original Endangered Species listing have been surpassed. If biologists aren't going to abide by their own parameters of having a viable population then why set them? Can we not admit that we've been successful in reaching those goals. If the fear of having a hunt becoming a trophy hunt then please limit it to Montana residents only. There needs to be a way to set numbers and maintain them with a hunt.

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Name (optional):

Conrad Evarts

Q3

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

It is time to allow hunting of grizzly bears in Montana.

From Helena, MT

#435

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Name (optional):

Adam Weece

Q3

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

It is time to let the science stand for itself. My goal (and your goal) is conservation...a healthy, diverse population of wildlife maintained in a sustainable balance. As a conservationist I accept life and death, understanding that hunting is a tool (like any other) used to keep that balance. We remove trees to save the forest; we carry out deliberate burns to prevent forest fires and spur new growth; hunting grizzlies to maintain their population and the food chain they impact is no different. If the population goals have been met, open an appropriate hunting season to maintain that population. A love of nature means accepting that nature is life and death, and that sacrificing a forest because you love one tree is idiotic, dangerous, and cruel.

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Q3

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

It has been proven regulated hunting is best for all involved.

Animals.

Wild life agencies.

Land owners / agriculture.

Hunters.

Scientific data is always better than emotions.....

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Name (optional):

Sam Dixon

Q3

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

I really urge you to move forward with a bear season. It is without a doubt that bears have made it past their projected recovery rates, and there is a real chance here to take back the reins and allow sportsmen and women to pursue this iconic game animal. Worrying about what anti-hunters have to say (without science on their side) and bowing to their demands is not the way to proceed. If the bears can be managed through hunting, it makes for happy hunters, stable bear populations, and more income for the state. There is no logical reason to shut this season down, but there are many, many logical reasons to make sure it happens. I pray that you'll do the right thing for Montana by opening the season!

-Sam Dixon

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Name (optional):

Scott

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

Science based conservation plans including regulated hunting have been the backbone of the success of most North American big game wildlife species. The grizzly can only benefit from this approach as well. The dollars generated by hunters if pushed directly into this conservation effort will far outweigh the economics of emotionally based conservation efforts.
