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Comments:

Gray wolves haven't been given a fair chance and now they're being delisted from the ESA. What's the hurry? Why not finish a worthwhile project? The existence of wolves in an area is a win-win all the way around. They cull the sick, weak and old from herds, leaving healthier herds. With diminished herd sizes, grasses and trees grow back, resulting in better soil erosion control. With improved soil erosion, water follows its historic courses better. Grass and tree growth results in more insects and worms, which results in more birds and rodents, resulting in more animals that feed on them. This diversity is healthy.

Wolves bring tourists with cameras. Yes, they toss out garbage and impact the land, but they also leave lots of dollars by eating at local restaurants, staying in local lodging establishments, buying trinkets and filling their cars with gas. All of those services require employees. It makes sense to me to protect wolves and, by extension, protect the land and economy.