What's our Job?

Western Wildlife Outreach

Promoting an accurate understanding of large carnivore awareness through education and community outreach in Washington and Idaho

Science/Education→Coexistence

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WesternWildlife.org

Home of the Grizzly Bear Outreach Project

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Grizzly Bear Outreach

Since pre-historic times, grizzly bears have been an integral part of the natural heritage of the West. Before the arrival of Europeans to North America, grizzly

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Black Bear Outreach

There are more American black bears in the world than all other bears on earth combined. Their overall population is nearly 1 million individuals.

Learn More →

Cougar Outreach

Also known as pumas, panthers, catamounts, mountain lions and American lions, cougars have existed on the North American continent for over 10,000 years.

Learn More →

Gray Wolf Outreach

Wolves avoid humans, but encounters sometimes occur when humans and wolves use the same habitat.

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WWO News Flash:

Grizzly Bear Outreach Project is now Western Wildlife Outreach Read More →

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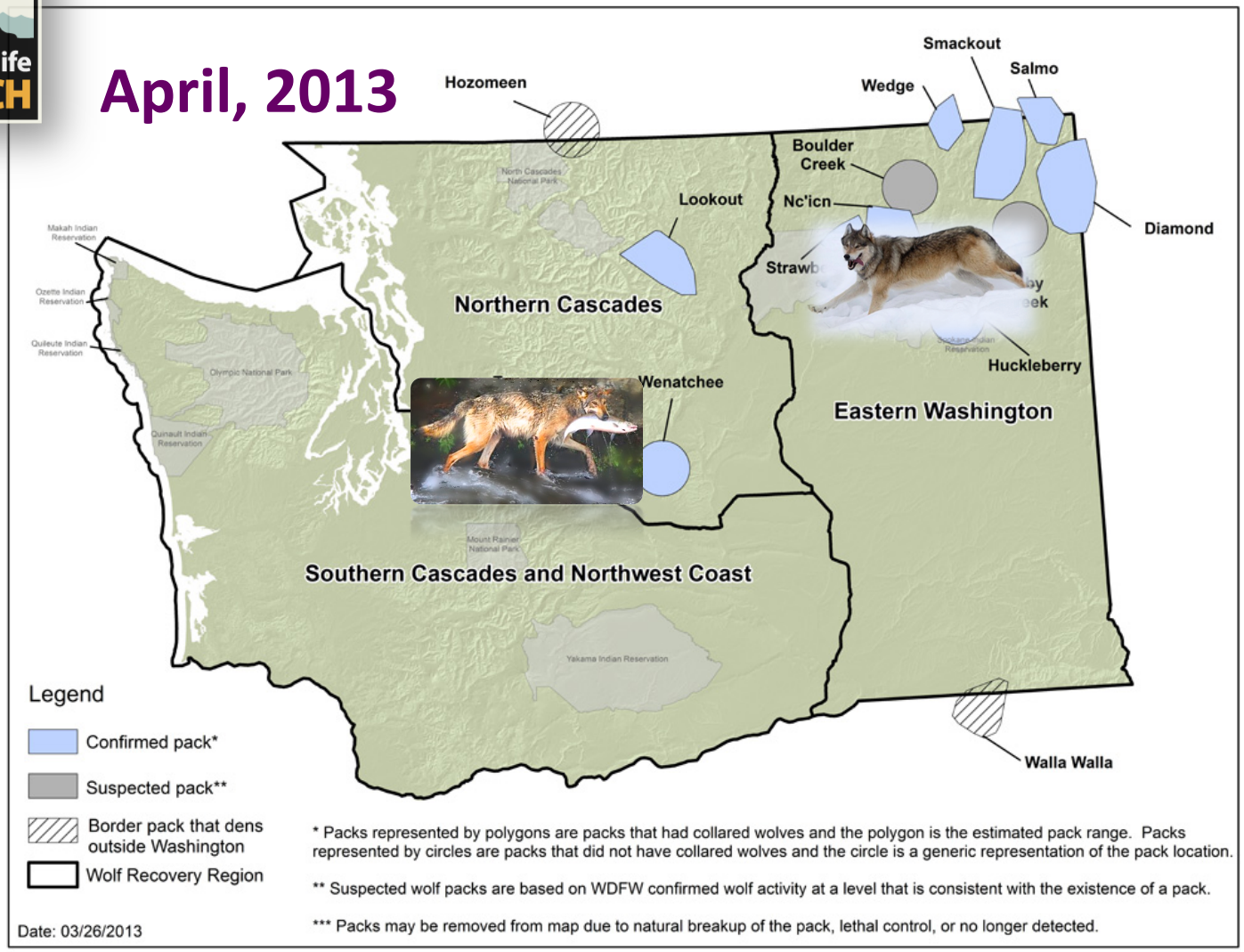
April, 2013



* Packs represented by polygons are packs that had collared wolves and the polygon is the estimated pack range. Packs represented by circles are packs that did not have collared wolves and the circle is a generic representation of the pack location.

** Suspected wolf packs are based on WDFW confirmed wolf activity at a level that is consistent with the existence of a pack.

*** Packs may be removed from map due to natural breakup of the pack, lethal control, or no longer detected.

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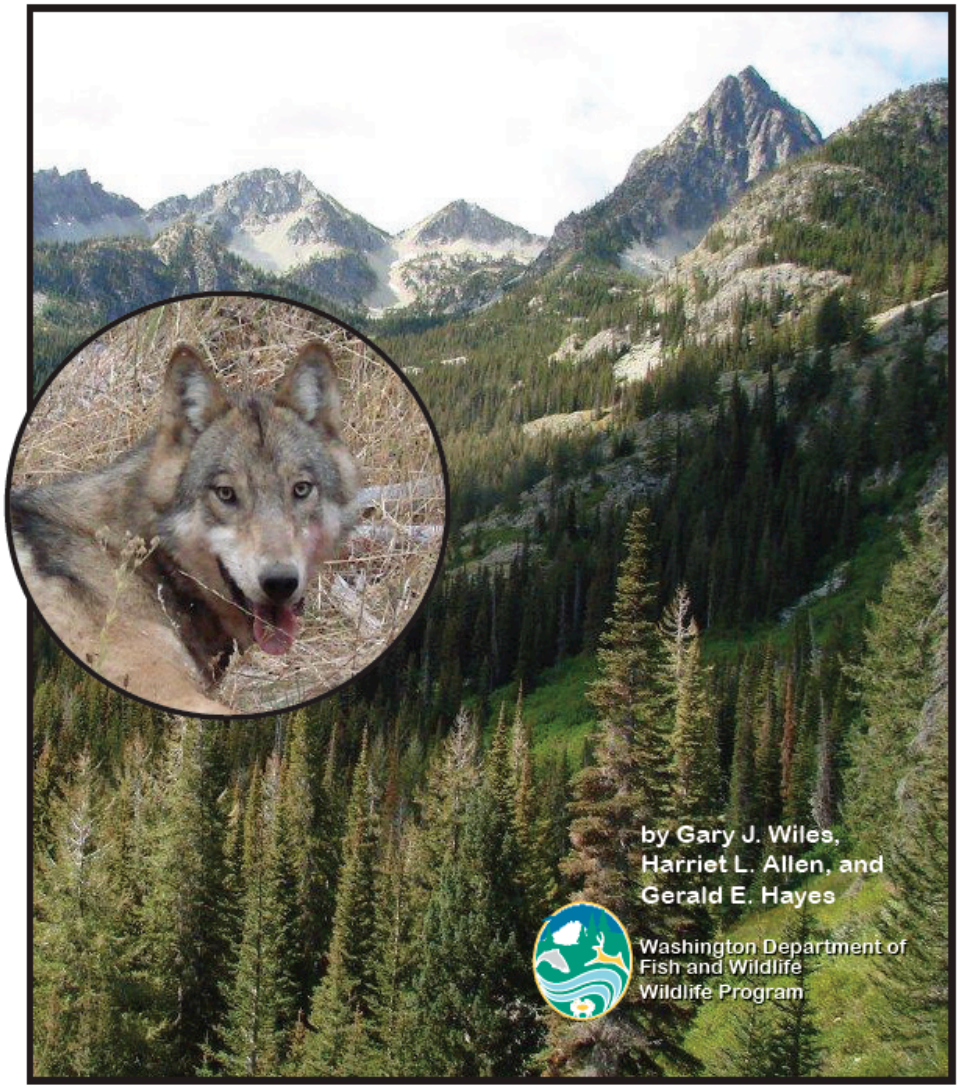
Wolf Conservation and Management Plan

STATE OF WASHINGTON December 2011



by Gary J. Wiles, Harriet L. Allen, and Gerald E. Hayes

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Program

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"A potential model for community outreach is the **Grizzly Bear Outreach Project (GBOP)**, a non-governmental organization whose focus is expanding to include wolves and cougars (http://ww.bearinfo.org). The project engages community members in a process of education and multi-party dialogue and provides a nonadvocacy setting for the involvement of all stakeholder groups."

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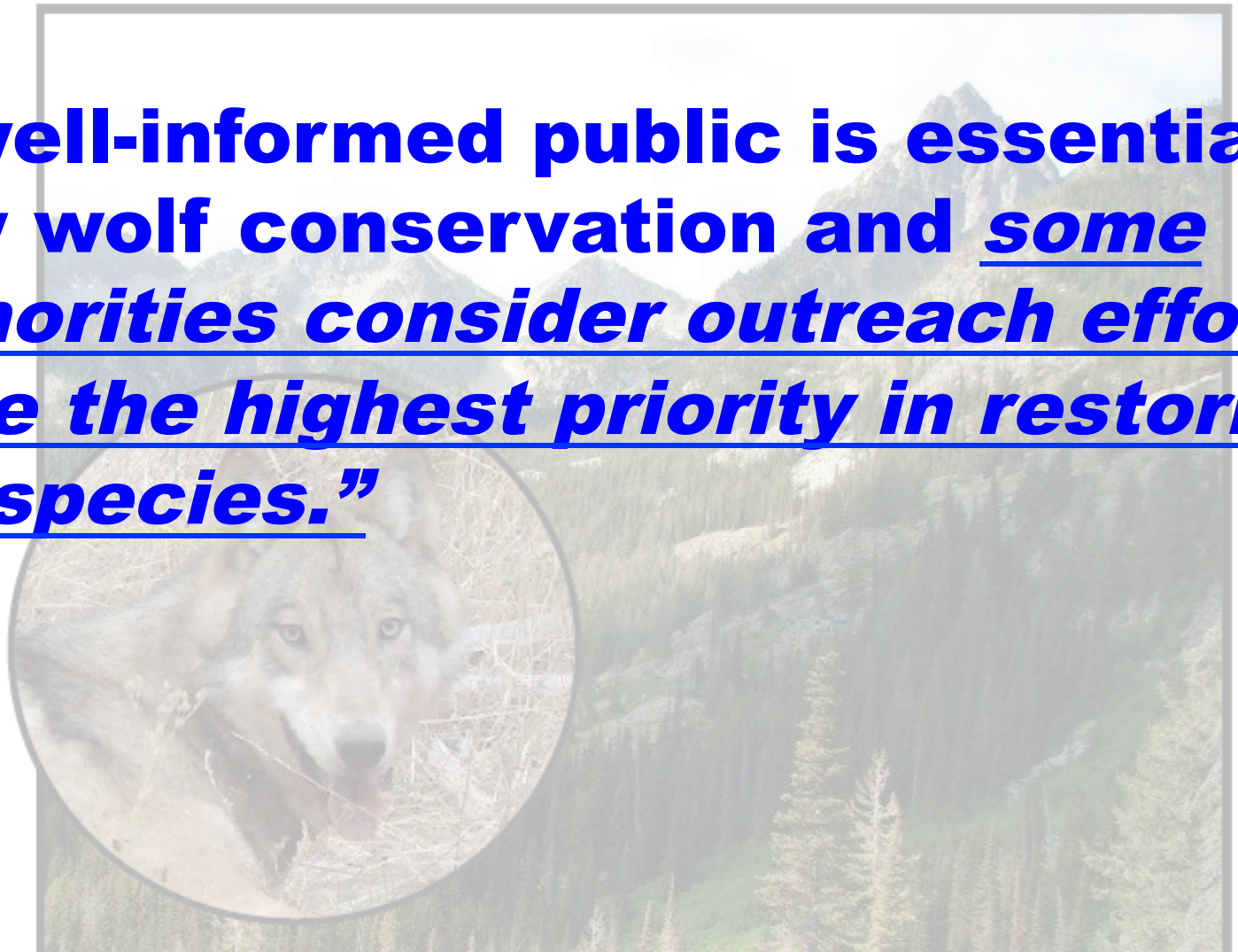

"A well-informed public is essential to gray wolf conservation and *some authorities consider outreach efforts to be the highest priority in restoring the species."*

Management Plan Priorities:

6. Conduct Outreach and Education High Priority

Task 9.2: Provide information to the public about ongoing wolf conservation and management activities.

Task 9.3: Develop and provide training, information, and education programs to address concerns over wolf-livestock conflicts.

Task 9.5: Develop and provide training, information, and education programs for the public on how to coexist with wolves.

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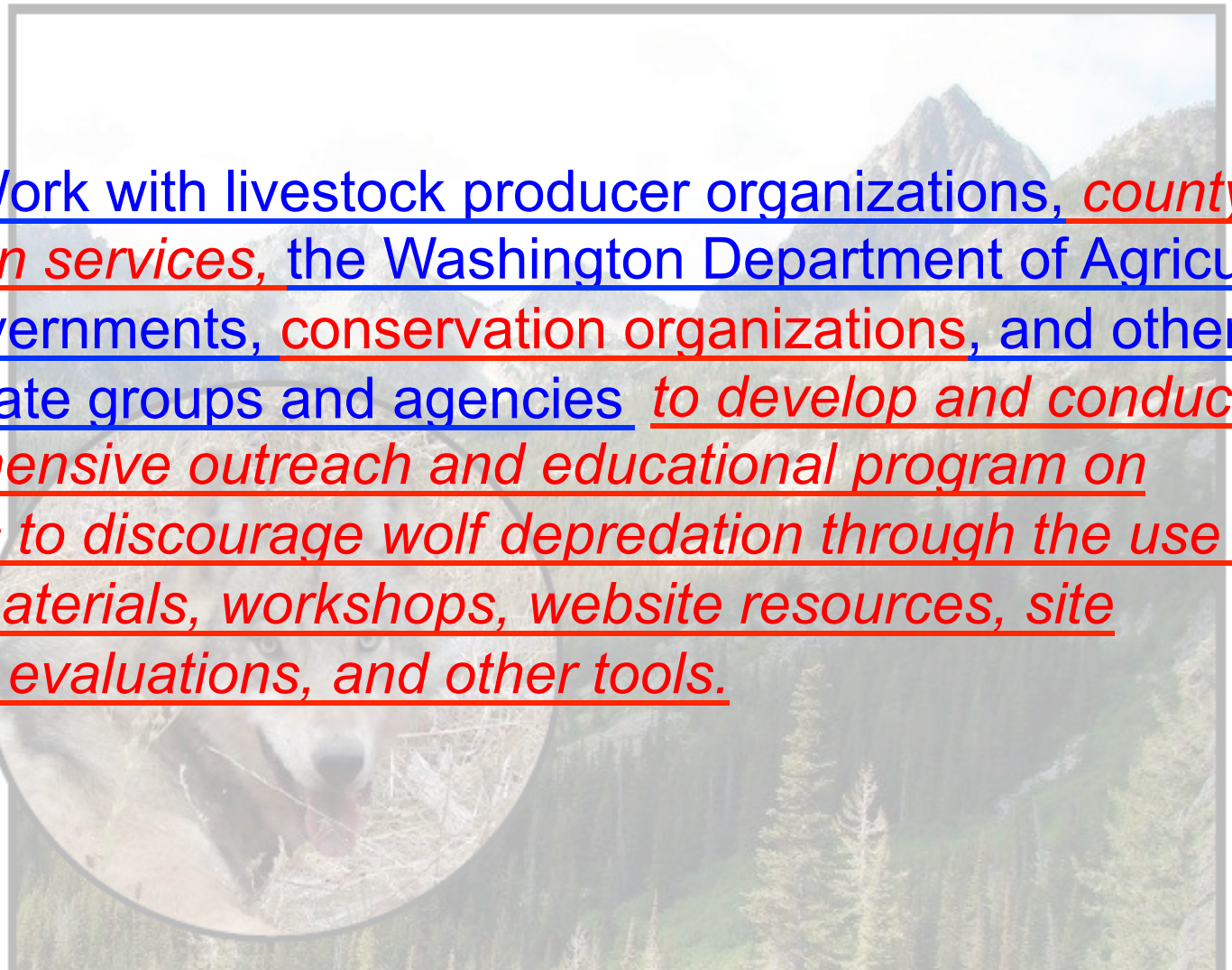

4.1.3. Work with livestock producer organizations, *county extension services,* the Washington Department of Agriculture, local governments, conservation organizations, and other appropriate groups and agencies *to develop and conduct a comprehensive outreach and educational program on methods to discourage wolf depredation through the use of media materials, workshops, website resources, site reviews, evaluations, and other tools.*

High-Quality Educational Material

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PROJECT W.O.L.F.F.

"WILDLIFE OBSERVATIONAL LEARNING and FIELDWORK FUNDAMENTALS"

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Eyes in the Woods Training

"WDFW asks public's help to generate leads in shooting of radio collared wolf"

Eyes In The Woods

CITIZEN WILDLIFE TRAINING

Wednesday, Oct 23, 2013
6:30-8:30 pm

Roslyn Library
201 S First Street
Roslyn, Washington

Taught by WDFW Enforcement Division in cooperation with Eyes In The Woods

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Conservation Northwest

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Eyes in the Woods trains citizen volunteers devoted to protecting and perpetuating our fish and wildlife.

Learn how you can identify, document, and report natural resource crimes!

FREE TRAINING! *206.675.9747 x201*

Learn more conservationnw.org/calendar

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WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Outreach for upcoming Wolf/Livestock Conflict Avoidance workshop participants:

WWO met with WSU Extension Staff October, 2012

Washington Conservation Districts and Commission and US Forest Service personnel also now included

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION 100 SMITH-LEVER ACT 1914-2014

Washington State Conservation Commission

FOREST SERVICE U S DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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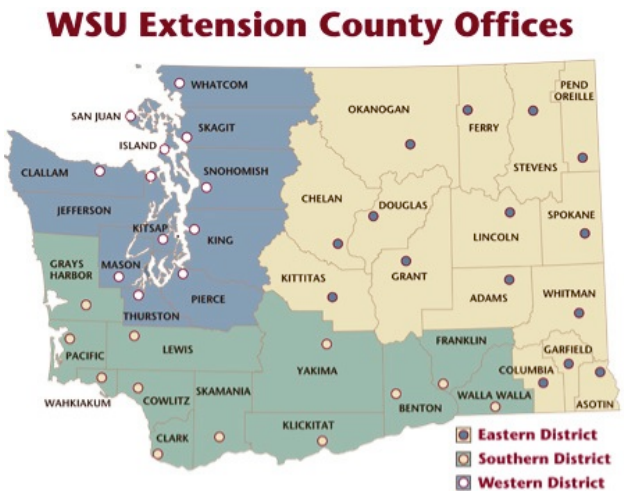
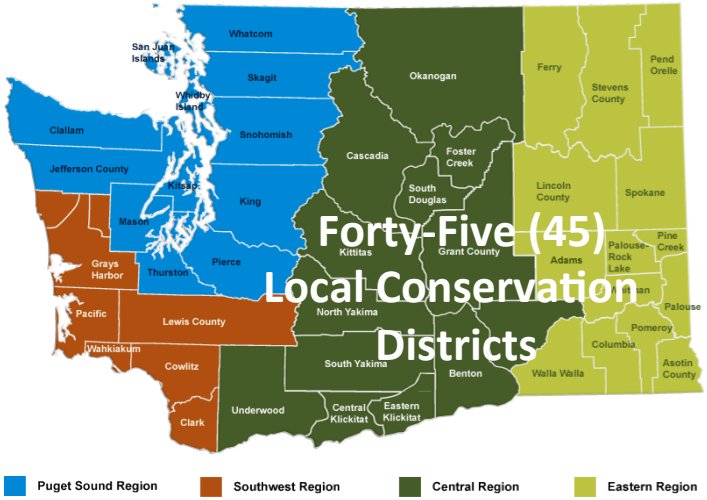
WDFW/WWO Training on Livestock, and Wolf Conflict Avoidance for WSU Extension Agents and Conservation District Staff:

Everyone on the "Same Page"





4 Upcoming Workshops: Ellensburg, Walla Walla, Omak, Colville - May, 2014

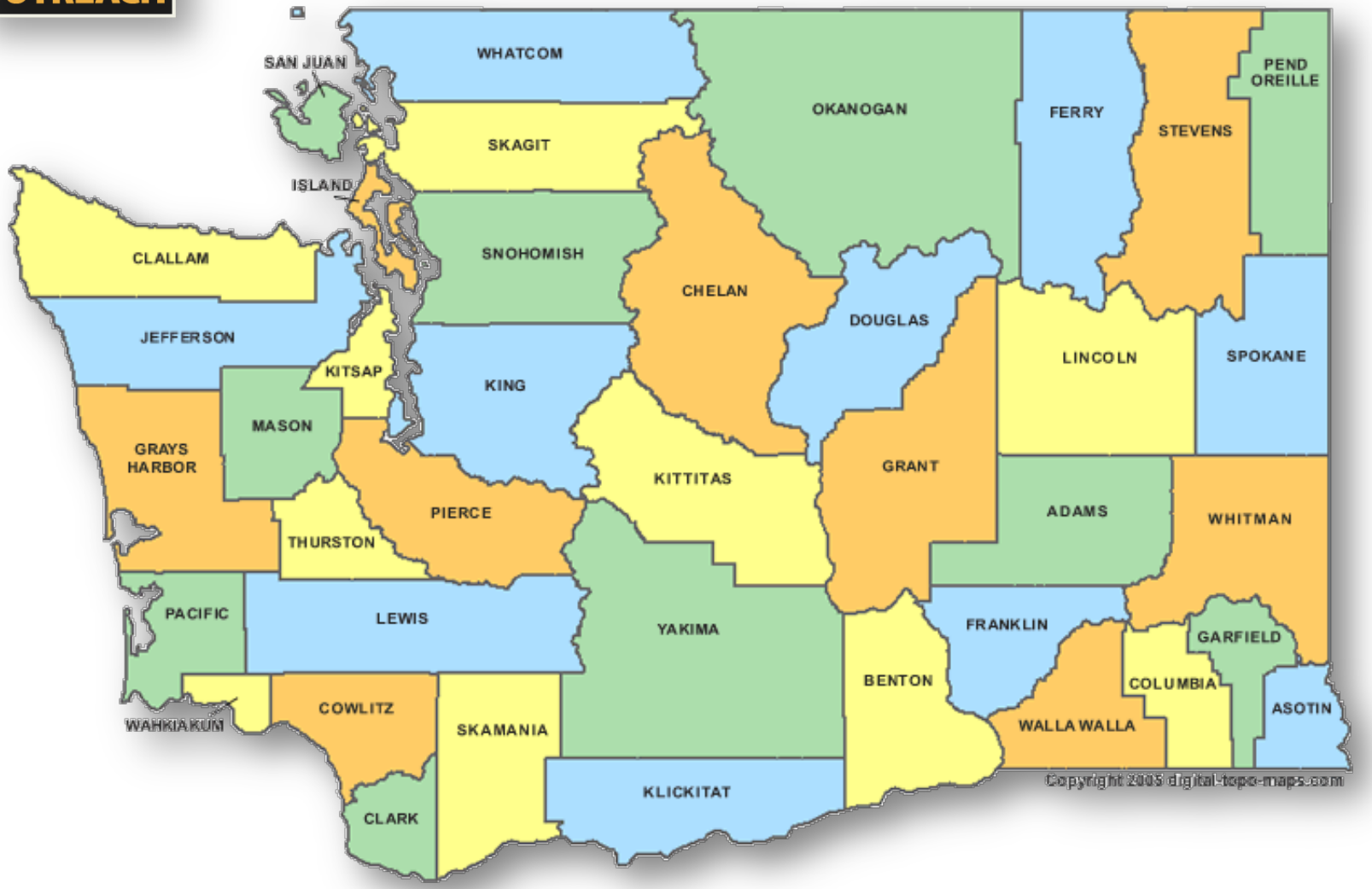
Booklet, references on methods; how to find technical, financial assistance

Introductory 20 minute film re perspectives and approaches

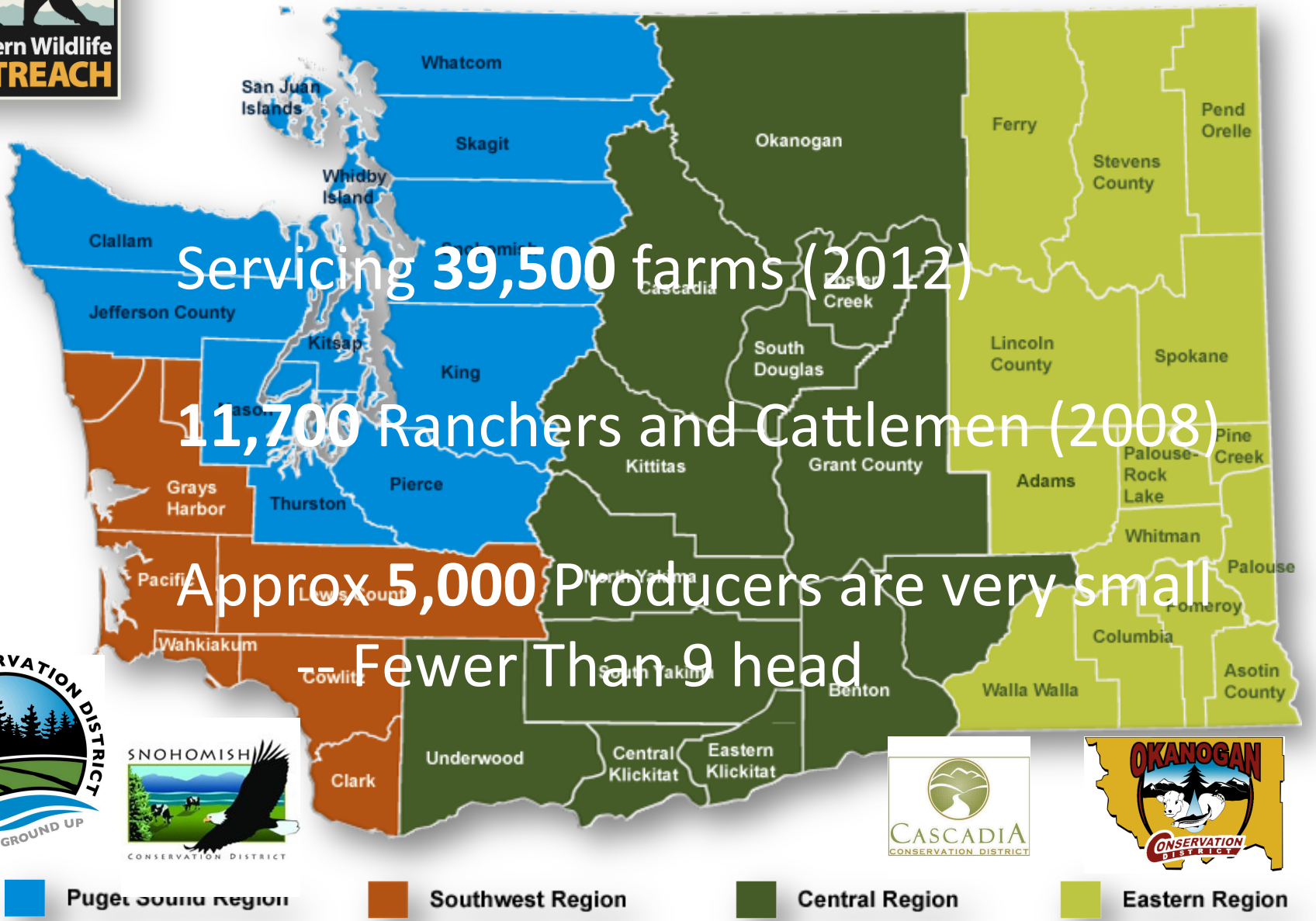
Outreach and coordination are ongoing to Wash. Cattlemen, WSU Research/WSU Extension and Conservation Districts Eastern Washington

Additional public and community outreach events on coexistence

39 Counties in Washington State



45 State **Conservation Districts**



Servicing **39,500** farms (2012)

11,700 Ranchers and Cattlemen (2008)

Approx **5,000** Producers are very small -- Fewer Than 9 head

Puget Sound Region | Southwest Region | Central Region | Eastern Region

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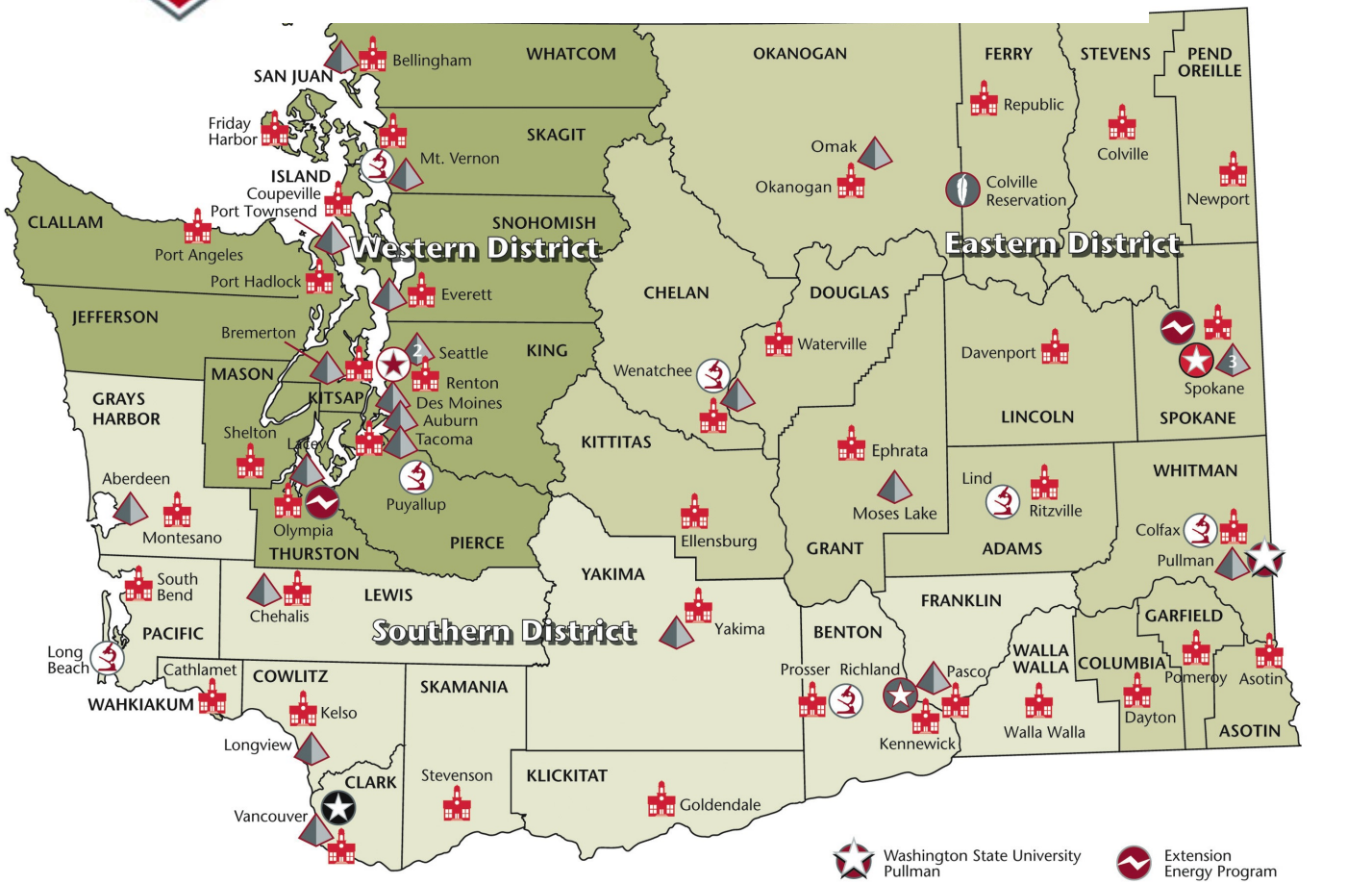

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United States Department of Agriculture
NRCS
Natural Resources Conservation Service

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Washington Delegation including WWO and WDFW

Wood River Non-Lethal Carnivore Deterrent Workshop

Defenders Of Wildlife - Hailey, Idaho – June 2013

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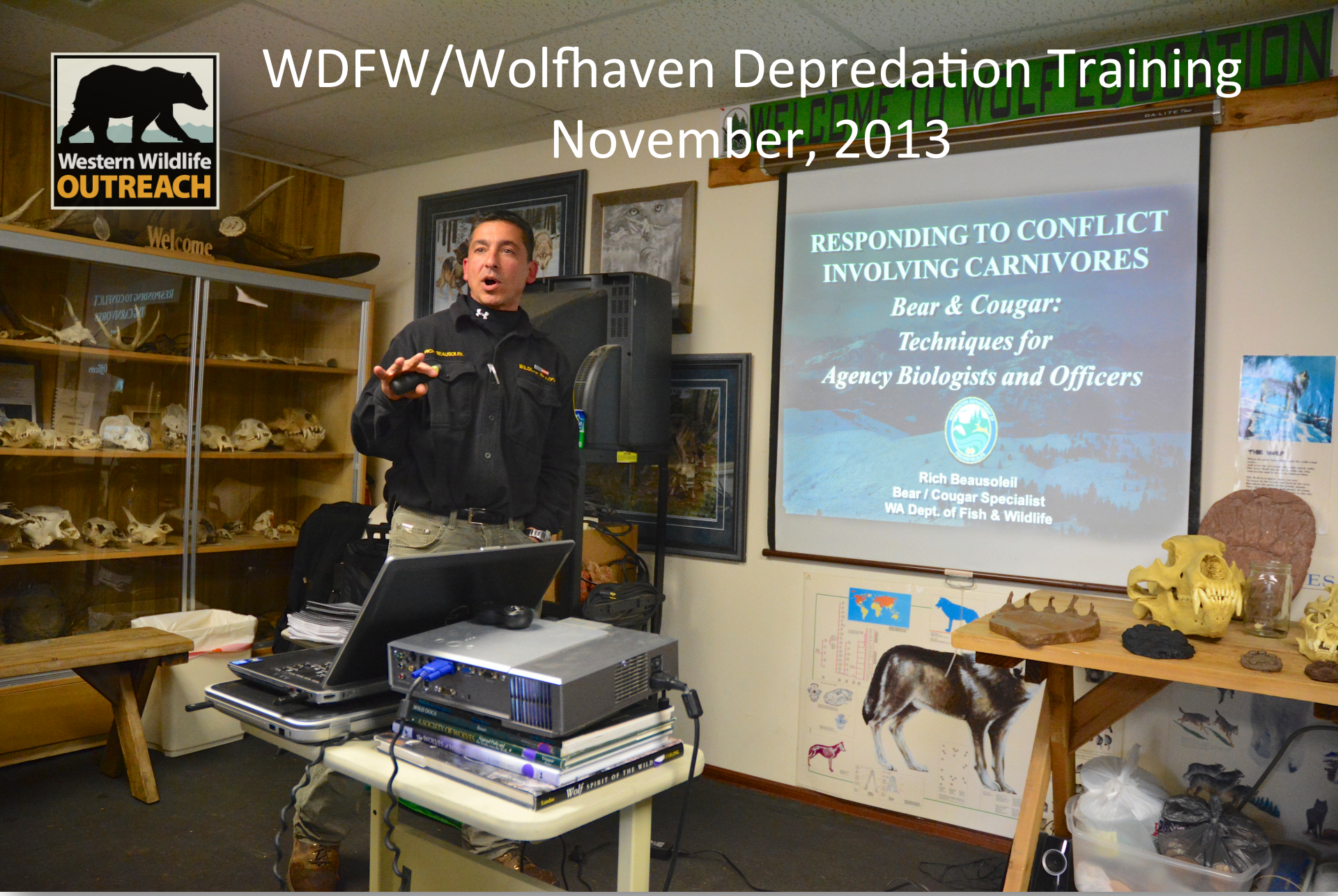
Discourage livestock depredation via non-lethal control measures

Cooperative agreements with livestock producers

WDFW/Wolfhaven Depredation Training
November, 2013



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WDFW/WSU Large Carnivore Depredation Workshop
Ellensburg - November 2013

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Filmed Interviews
- Livestock Producers
Small and Large

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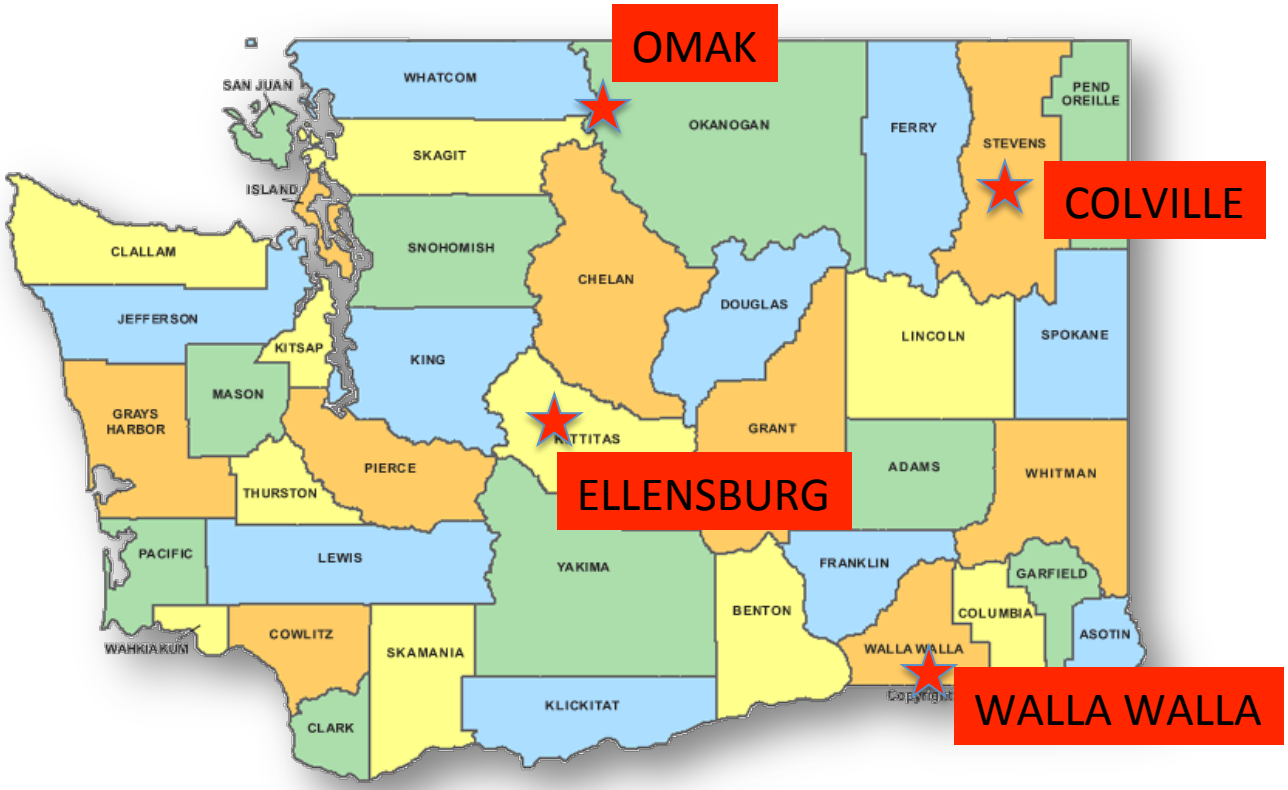
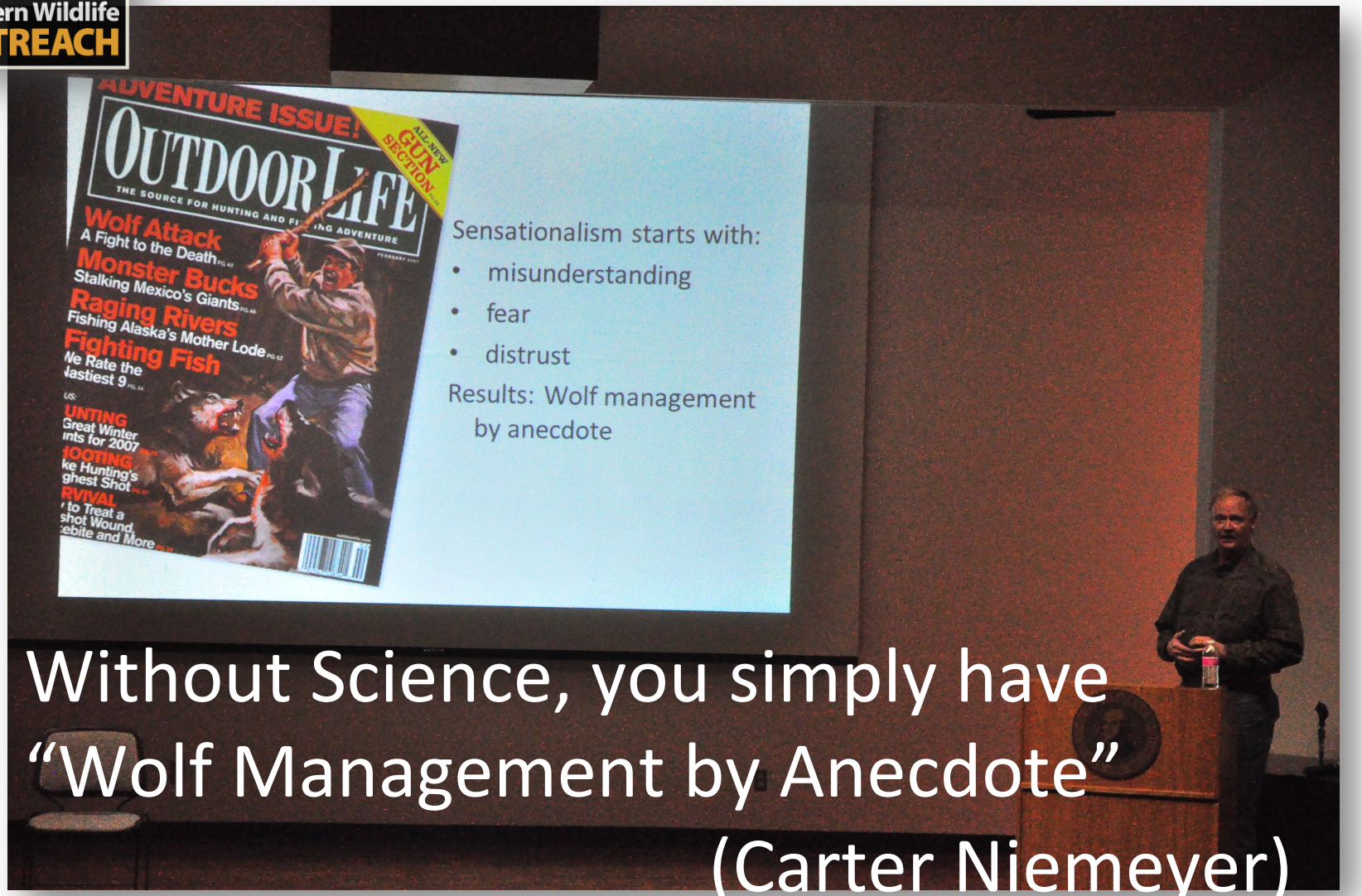
Wolf/Livestock Conflict Avoidance "Train the Trainer" Workshops

Omak, Colville, Walla Walla, Ellensburg

May 2014





Without Science, you simply have "Wolf Management by Anecdote"

(Carter Niemeyer)