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WATERSHEDS PROJECT, and WILDLANDS))
PROJECT,	DECLARATION OF DOUGLAS W. SMITH, PH.D.
Plaintiffs,))
v.)))
H. DALE HALL, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director; DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Secretary of the Interior; and the UNITED STATES FISH AND)))

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WILDLIFE SERVICE,	?
Defendants.	

I, Dr. Douglas Smith, do hereby declare as follows:

I. **BACKGROUND**

- 1. I received a B.S degree in Wildlife Biology from the University of Idaho in 1985, a M.S. Degree in Biology from Michigan Technological University in 1988, and a Ph.D. in Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation Biology from the University of Nevada, Reno in 1997. I am an employee of the National Park Service (NPS) and have been with the Yellowstone National Park (YNP) wolf program since its inception. I was hired specifically to reintroduce, manage, and study wolves in YNP. From 1994-1999, I monitored wolves in the greater Yellowstone area (GYA). After 1999 the USFWS or States tracked and managed wolves external to YNP. I began work on the Yellowstone Wolf Project as the Project Biologist; in 1997 I assumed duties of Project Leader, a position I have held continuously since that time. My curriculum vitae (CV) is attached as Exhibit A to this declaration.
- 2. I have been involved with wolf research since 1979 and the YNP wolf job is my fourth position dealing with wolves. My employment history with wolves is as follows: 1) 1979, Wolf Park, Indiana, captive wolf research program, 2) 1979-1992, seasonal work, Isle Royale National Park wolf-moose research, 3) 1983, seasonal work, northeastern Minnesota wolf research, and 4) 1994-present YNP wolf program. I have published numerous peer-reviewed journal articles, book chapters, reports, and popular

articles on wolves both in YNP and the surrounding area. I have recently published with co-authors a scientific paper on genetic viability of wolves in YNP (see CV, VonHoldt et al. 2007)

- 3. I supervise a team of employees assigned to track, manage and study wolves in YNP. I have personally tracked radio collared wolves in the GYA for >2,000 hours from aircraft since 1994 and for several hundred hours from the ground. I have closely followed all radio collared wolves entering the GYA from 1995-1999. In addition, I have sporadically followed radio collared wolves entering the GYA from 1999 through the present. I have intensively followed all radio collared wolves in YNP from 1995-present. I have personally captured with tranquilizing darts >250 wolves and been part of every wolf capture (>350 wolves) event in YNP since program inception. I am intimately familiar with all wolf packs that have formed or become extinct in YNP and also movements of the individual radio-collared wolves and packs.
- 4. The purpose of this declaration is to respond to plaintiffs' allegations of irreparable injury in their Memorandum in Support of Motion for Preliminary Injunction and to the Declaration of Robert Wayne. My declaration addresses plaintiffs' assertions that delisting irreparably harms wolf packs, the Northern Rocky Mountain (NRM) wolf population, and the ability of members of Plaintiff organizations to view and enjoy wolves in the wild. I have also reviewed the Final Rule published at the time of delisting and approve of and support this document justifying termination of federal management for wolves in the NRM.

II. DISCUSSION

5. In 2001 I was assigned to analyze data from all three wolf recovery areas (central Idaho, northwest Montana, GYA) on wolf survival and cause specific mortality. I finished this wolf survival analysis in 2008. The analysis includes data from every radio collared wolf (total sample = 711) from Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming from 1982-2004 and includes 363 wolf mortalities. Since 2004 I have maintained the survival database on all radio collared wolves in the 3 recovery areas.

The results of the wolf survival analysis indicate that the wolf population is not in danger of extinction and is viable. Overall the annual survival rate is 66% for pups, 71% for yearlings, and 82% for adults, which is within the bounds of a healthy sustainable population. It is generally recognized that populations with a mortality rate (the inverse of survival rate) of <30% are sustainable and not in danger of extinction. The NRM population is within those bounds.

6. Further, about 70% of the mortality for the NRM population – prior to delisting -was due to anthropogenic causes, and the leading cause was, and has long been, legal killing due to conflicts with livestock. Therefore, the population has already experienced significant mortality, yet it did not jeopardize the viability or continued growth of the population (the NRM population has grown each year 1995-2007). Given the NRM population's demonstrated resilience and continued growth in the presence of an already significant level of pre-delisting predator control actions, the transfer of management authority to the States and even the prospect of increased mortality under the approved state management plans, would not jeopardize the viability or continued growth of the NRM population, in my opinion.

7. I co-authored a scientific paper, and Dr. Robert Wayne was also a co-author on that paper, on the genetic viability of the wolf population (VonHoldt et al. 2007) that included data from 1995-2004; it did not include data from 2005-2008. It made predictions about the future genetic viability of the YNP wolf population based on a modeling exercise with fairly restrictive assumptions. As stated, and based on those assumptions, the predicted scenario indicates a loss of heterozygosity and an increase in the inbreeding coefficient. As an example of what could happen given these assumptions, I agree with the results as stated in the paper. However, these assumptions are only an example of what could happen given these particular set of conditions, or in a worst case situation and should only be given consideration in light of the conditions of the model. The YNP wolf population is not as isolated, nor is it as small, and migration is not one way making modeled results valid only for this restrictive scenario, a rather unlikely outcome given data since 2004. Therefore, future predictions based on 1995-2004 data and possible future genetic viability based on models with specific assumptions should be treated as speculative and as only one possibility and in our example, a worst case scenario.

Further, the paper indicated the current excellent genetic condition of the population, genetic diversity equal to large, wild populations of wolves in northern Canada and low levels of inbreeding. In fact we showed that wolves choose very carefully their mates and avoid breeding with close relatives (e.g., inbreeding avoidance) which should act to preserve genetic diversity well into the future even if mate choices

become limiting, and there is no reason to believe that they will (there are >450 wolves in the GYA).

There were sampling issues with our analysis that could affect not only the results of the paper, but also affect any future predictions. For example, we were only able to gather samples from about 30% of the wolves that existed in YNP, this left a large number of wolves unsampled and therefore their status and geneology was unknown. Some of these wolves could have immigrated from outside the GYA. As such, any statements the paper makes about genetic viability or future predictions should be taken in the context that most wolves in the population were not sampled. This not only affects the accuracy of the current paper, but calls into question any future predictions because the patterns documented now may not hold into the future. Also, the paper does not consider ecological factors. Should the mortality rate of any sex or age class increase in the future, ecological theory has shown that other segments of the population may compensate for these mortalities. For example, should some wolf pups die due to genetic problems, other wolves that may have died due to other causes (e.g., starvation, disease, etc) could survive. This is called compensatory mortality and has been documented for wolves.

8. Another important consideration is that no population viability analysis (PVA) has been formerly conducted. PVA's usually predict the future health of the population and without such an exercise being completed statements about the future are speculative and based on one's opinion.

9. Comparisons to other wolf populations may be informative to predict the future of YNP wolves, but these comparisons must somewhat resemble YNP. Documented genetic affects in the Scandinavian wolf population due to isolation and small population size do not resemble YNP (Liberg et al. 2005. Severe inbreeding in a wild wolf (Canis lupus) population. Biology Letters). The level of isolation to Scandinavian wolf population is much greater than to GYA wolves, and the Scandinavian population was and is much smaller than the GYA population which exceeds 450 not 170 as stated in the lawsuit. The Scandinavian population was <100 wolves for 15 years and now only numbers ~120 wolves which affects genetic viability to a much greater degree than the GYA population that was only <100 wolves for about 3 years and then grew large very rapidly. Also, the Scandinavian population began with just 2-3 wolves, while the GYA population began with 41, again not comparable and the genetic impacts and conclusions between these two scenarios are entirely different.

Further our population is not totally isolated. We have documented at least 2 wolves moving into the GYA (both from Idaho), one that moved from the GYA to near Boise, Idaho that bred, another that dispersed from YNP to near Denver, CO, another from YNP that dispersed to near Morgan, UT, and finally one other that made it to near Helena, MT. Also, and it is worth stressing again, these are known movements, most wolves are not radio collared. This clearly indicates that wolves have the capability to move around between recovery areas enabling connectivity and reducing isolation; a situation not at all similar to the Scandinavian situation.

- 10. I also disagree with the Plaintiff's broad statement that the killing of individual wolves irreparably harm's entire wolf packs. I was co-author on another scientific peerreviewed paper about the loss of breeding individuals in wolf packs (Brainard et al. 2008. The effects of breeder loss on wolves, The Journal of Wildlife Management 72(1):89-98). We concluded that the outcome of such events was variable and dependent on many factors; in some cases there was a small effect (no pack displacement or loss of breeding opportunity), and in other cases the pack dissolved and/or did not breed the following year. I have much more detailed knowledge of wolves in YNP that was not used in the publication of this paper and we found that breeder loss from packs was fairly common and that in most situations the wolf packs were able to adapt and adjust to the loss of these breeding individuals, unless the pack was small. When other animals than breeders are considered, we found that in virtually all cases there was no affect on the viability of the pack when one of these other wolves was lost. For example, we found that YNP wolves kill each other at a high rate (this is the leading cause of mortality for YNP wolves) and that they nearly always adjust to the removal of lost pack members. In fact in one extreme case in October 2007 both breeding wolves (e.g., alphas) were killed by a neighboring pack and the remaining wolves survived and appear to be breeding (e.g., denning) in 2008. 11. Finally, to the extent that Plaintiff's are concerned about diminished ability to see
- and hear wolves in the wild. YNP is one of the best places in the world to observe wolves in the wild. Most wild wolf viewing takes place in YNP and many people and organizations lead tours to YNP to see wolves. Delisting of wolves will not affect the

protection level or management of wolves and therefore not affect wolf viewing in any way.

III. **CONCLUSION**

In short, my scientific research and intimate involvement with wolf management since 1994 in the NRM do not support the plaintiff's claims that the NRM wolf population will be irreparably harmed post-delisting. Specifically, research led by me directly evaluated the mortality and survival rate of NRM wolves and on both counts we did not find the population in danger of extinction or was it negatively affected by federal management actions. This finding, along with continued annual population growth in all three recovery areas, clearly indicates that the federal mandate of a restored population has been achieved and that threats to the population have been removed. Further, I have published with coauthors on the genetic viability of the Yellowstone National Park wolf population, a population contended to be genetically isolated, and found genetic diversity to be high and inbreeding low. Further, my tracking of wolves in the greater Yellowstone area since the inception of the program indicates a level of wolf movement consistent with the idea that greater Yellowstone wolves are connected with wolves from the other NRM population. Also, my research and other work with collaborators on wolf pack dynamics and the loss of individual wolves from packs indicates a certain amount of resilience to the mortality of some individuals. Lastly, most wild wolf observation occurs inside Yellowstone National Park and delisting will not affect these viewing opportunities. Therefore, I fully support delisting of the NRM wolf population as I believe the population is biologically viable, and this is the correct action given policy and statements made to the public throughout this entire process. The goal has been achieved, and as promised, it is time to move on.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge information and belief.

Executed on May , 2008 at Mammoth Hot Springs, WY.

By:

Douglas W. Smith

Exhibit A: CURRICULUM VITAE for DOUGLAS W. SMITH

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EDUCATION

1997 Ph.D., University of Nevada, Reno

Program in Ecology, Evolution, and Conservation Biology

Dissertation: Dispersal Strategies and Cooperative Breeding in Beavers

Advisor: Dr. Stephen Jenkins

1988 M.S., Michigan Technological University, Biology

Thesis: Natural Winter Body Temperature Fluctuations in the Beaver

(Castor canadensis).

Advisor: Dr. Rolf Peterson

1985 B.S., University of Idaho, Wildlife Biology

Advisor: Dr. James Peek

EXPERIENCE

1997-Present

 ${\it Project Leader, Yellowstone Wolf Project}$

Yellowstone National Park (YNP), WY, MT, ID

-Responsible for research and management of wolves within YNP

-Assist U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with wolf recovery outside YNP

-Supervision of 8-12 (varies by season) employees

-Responsible for helicopter capture and handling of 30-35 wolves/year

-Certified helicopter gunner (>250 wolf captures); supervised >350

captures

- -Certified Helicopter Manager –ACE Training current in 2007
- -3 wildlife handling and immobilization classes
- -200 hrs/year aerial radio telemetry
- -Manage budget of \$425,000/year
- -70-75 public and scientific presentations/year
- -Interviews with media
- -Data analysis, write technical and peer reviewed scientific publications
- -Appointed to technical committee for wolf management in state of Montana and Oregon; assist Wyoming with wolf management plan
- -Consultant to Iberian wolf studies in Portugal
- -Member IUCN Reintroduction Specialist Group
- -Affiliate Professor Montana State University (MSU)
- -Reviewer for various scientific journals and proposals

1994-1997

Biologist, Yellowstone Wolf Project

Yellowstone National Park, WY, MT, ID

- -Husbandry of wolves in remote pens before release into wild
- -Monitoring of wolves from air and ground
- -Wild & captive capture and handling of wolves
- -Principal author of wolf research plan for entire Yellowstone recovery
- -Supervision of six employees; public speaking, reporter interviews: radio, television, newspaper, magazine
- -Data analysis, publication writing
- -Interagency cooperation

1990-1994

Ph.D. Research, University of Nevada, Reno

Dispersal Strategies and Cooperative Breeding in Beavers

Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota

- -Second phase of eleven-year research project on beavers in Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota
- -Live-trapping and radio implanting of beavers
- -Forest transects, aquatic vegetation photography, and pond measurements to determine beaver habitat quality
- -DNA fingerprinting

Fall 1990

Consultant, Beaver Research and Management

1992, 1994 Isle Royale National Park, Michigan

1996, 1998, 2002

- -Aerial population census of park beaver population
- -Habitat evaluation and some beaver live-trapping
- -Evaluation of beaver-wolf relationship, including work with researchers

involved with long-term studies of wolves and moose

Winter 1983 & 1994

Research Assistant, Wolf-Moose Research Isle Royale National Park, Michigan

- -Aerial tracking of wolves with & without radio collars
- -Aerial census of moose
- -Retrieval of wolf-killed moose
- -Bone inventory

1988-1990 Research Associate, Michigan Technological University

Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Wisconsin

-Studied beaver ecology in Apostle Islands National Lakeshore,

Wisconsin

- -Formulated beaver management plan with Park staff
- -Conducted three aerial population censuses of beavers
- -Consultation on beaver management ongoing and aerial censusing continues at three year intervals

Summers 1986-1991

Research Assistant, Wolf-Moose Research, Isle

Royale National Park, Michigan

- -Wolf-moose radio tracking, bone collection of wolf killed moose,
- orienteering, and data tabulation
- -Wolf howling surveys
- -Summer 1986 responsible for all field operations, supervision of graduate students, and coordination with National Park Service in absence of the principal investigator Rolf Peterson

Fall 1987

Research Associate, Michigan Technological University

Grand Portage National Monument, Minnesota

-Studied beaver population ecology and made management

recommendations for Grand Portage National Monument, Minnesota

1984-1988

Research Assistant, Michigan Technological University

Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota

- -First phase of long-term research on beavers
- -Studied the effects of unnatural water drawdowns in winter on beaver

behavior in Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota

-Simultaneously gathered data for Master's Thesis on beaver

thermoregulation.

- -Assisted in writing Park management plan for beavers
- -Consultant for beaver management
- -Other duties: muskrat & otter trapping and tracking

Summer 1984

Field Technician, U.S. Forest Service, Alaska

Chugach National Forest, Alaska

-Responsible for planning and conducting breeding bird surveys and

population censuses of birds in Chugach National Forest

-Assisted with moose habitat surveys

Spring 1983 Field Technician, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Wolf-Deer Research

Project, Ely, Minnesota

-Capture, handling, and radio instrumentation of white-tailed deer

-Radio tracking of wolves and deer

-Wolf sign surveys

-Wolf capture and handling

Summer 1982 Field Assistant, University of Idaho, Pronghorn Antelope Research,

National Bison Range, Montana
-Captured and tagged antelope fawns

-Observed and recorded behavioral data on marked fawns and adults

Summers 1979-1981 Field Assistant, Wolf-Moose Research, Isle Royale

National Park, Michigan

-Monitored wolves via howling contacts

-Retrieved wolf-killed moose

-Responsible for preservation and storage of moose bones

-Data tabulation, wildlife observation orienteering, and wilderness travel

Spring 1979 Volunteer, Captive Wolf Research, Wolf Park, Indiana

-Hand rearing wolf pups

-Behavioral observation of captive wolves

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2001 - Present *Yellowstone Institute*

-Taught 3 day classes on wolves and beavers

1996-Present Affiliate Professor, Montana State University

1992-1994 Biology Instructor, University of Nevada, Reno

Summers -Developed a previously untaught class in Field Mammalogy

-Stressed the study of mammals in the field with an accompanying lecture

reviewing mammalogy

1992-1994 Teaching Assistant, University of Nevada, Reno

Spring Assist teaching the class Desert-Montane Ecosystems

-Responsible for mammal portion of the class

-Lecture and field trips

1991-1994 Guest Lecturer Mammalogy, University of Nevada, Reno

-Substitute lecturer for Mammalogy course: topics include dispersal,

cooperative breeding, & mating systems

1991-1994 Earthwatch Principal Investigator

Sept.-Oct. -Led groups of 6-8 people for ten days in the field to study beavers in

Voyageurs National Park, Minnesota

-75 students of all ages and backgrounds for the last three autumns

-Responsibilities include teaching ecology, animal behavior, and field

techniques to study beavers

1988-1994 Earthwatch Leader

-Led groups of 5 people on week long expeditions to study wolf-moose

ecology on Isle Royale

-Responsible for instruction and safety of 90 volunteers to date

1987 Teaching Assistant, Michigan Technological University

-Taught General Botany Labs

-Responsibilities included lab lecture, preparation and grading of lab

quizzes, and lab practical exams

HONORS AND AWARDS

2007 Defenders of Wildlife Spirit of Defenders Award for Science

2007 North American Wildlife Foundation – Wolf Park

Erich Klinghammer Award – Outstanding contribution to wolf

conservation and research

2006 2005 Montana Book Award for *Decade of the Wolf*

National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS)

Outstanding Alumni Award

2005 University of Idaho

Celebration Natural Resources Award

Outstanding work in wolf restoration and recovery and dedication to the

field of wildlife biology

2003 National Park Service

Director's Award for Natural Resource Management

Outstanding Employee in Natural Resources for the National Park Service

Nationwide (357 areas)

2003 National Park Service

Region of National Park Service (90 parks)

Outstanding Natural Resource Employee for the Year for Intermountain

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2003	Yellowstone National Park Award for Outstanding Performance in Wolf Research & Management (\$500)
2002	U.S. Forest Service Excellence in Presentations Each Year to the Interagency Carnivore Class James Claar, Program Coordinator
2001	Wolf Recovery Foundation & Defenders of Wildlife <i>Alpha Award</i> for outstanding performance in the Rocky Mountain region in wolf recovery
2000	Yellowstone National Park Star Award for outstanding performance in wolf recovery (\$1000)
1999	Yellowstone National Park Safety Award (Time Off)
1998	Yellowstone National Park On the Spot Award for Outstanding performance supervising & managing wolf capture (\$300)
1995	Yellowstone National Park Quality Step Increase for Outstanding Performance in Wolf Reintroduction in YNP
1991-1994	Welder Wildlife Foundation Fellowship. Full financial support for Ph.D.

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