Please Take Action Today to Save Mexican Wolves!

Congressional Bills Will Strip Endangered Species Act Protections From Gray Wolves!

Five bills have been introduced in Congress that would strip gray wolves of the protections of the Endangered Species Act. Two of these bills would endanger all gray wolves, including the handful of struggling Mexican gray wolves that remain in the wild in Arizona and New Mexico.

The proposed legislation will place Mexican gray wolves, already teetering on the brink of extinction, in even greater peril.



Please contact your members of Congress today, and ask everyone you know to do the same.

There is a very real danger that language from these bills could be inserted into must-pass Omnibus legislation before the end of the year.

The Endangered Species Act (ESA) requires that decisions on delisting be based on the best available science. Never before has a species been taken off the endangered species list by an act of Congress that would amend the ESA.

If this happens, wolves and ultimately, all wildlife, will be in grave danger - their survival will depend on political, rather than scientific, considerations.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recently <u>called the Mexican Gray Wolf "probably the most endangered land mammal in North America."</u> Only 42 wolves remain in the wild. The safety net of the Endangered Species Act may be the only thing standing in the way of extinction of the Mexican Gray Wolf. Now is not the time to remove federal protection for wolves and the habitat they need to survive.

Supporters of wolves and other wildlife need to flood the White House and Congress with protests against this congressional end-run around the Endangered Species Act.

Please, call or write right away and tell everyone you know to do the same. None of our wildlife is safe if Congress and the Obama administration are willing to let political considerations trump science and law.

<u>This link</u> will take you to a form for written comments to the White House. The White House phone line for comments is: 202-456-1111

Contact information for members of Congress in AZ and NM can be found <u>here</u>; other states' representatives can be found <u>here</u>.

Please send us a message at info@mexicanwolves.org to let us know you've taken action. Thank you!

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