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Good evening,

The Service, SOL, DOJ, and DOI have posted a statement on the gray wolf webpage regarding the 2020 delisting rule, subsequent court case, and next steps for the status of wolves in the lower 48. **This statement is not for proactive outreach and should only be used to point people to if they inquire.**

- Gray wolf (lower 48) webpage: <https://www.fws.gov/initiative/protecting-wildlife/gray-wolf-recovery-news-and-updates>
- Direct link to statement: <https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/2023%20USFWS%20Gray%20Wolf%20Statement.pdf>
 - Also attached to this email

NGOs with an interest in the gray wolf may begin proactive outreach now that a court order has been issued, which may start the public asking questions on social or contacting the call center. All inquiries must be coordinated with Vanessa Kauffman at HQ OC and myself (Adriana Zorrilla will be acting while I am on leave beginning 2/15).

Please let me know if you have any questions

Note: this is in regards to the lower-48 gray wolves entity, separate from the Colorado 10(j) announcement

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