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Colorado Wolf Restoration and Management Plan

FINAL Colorado Wolf Restoration and Management Plan



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3 May 2023

Petition Signature Gathering

- Summer 2019



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Wolves in North Park

- July 2019



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Wolves in Moffat County

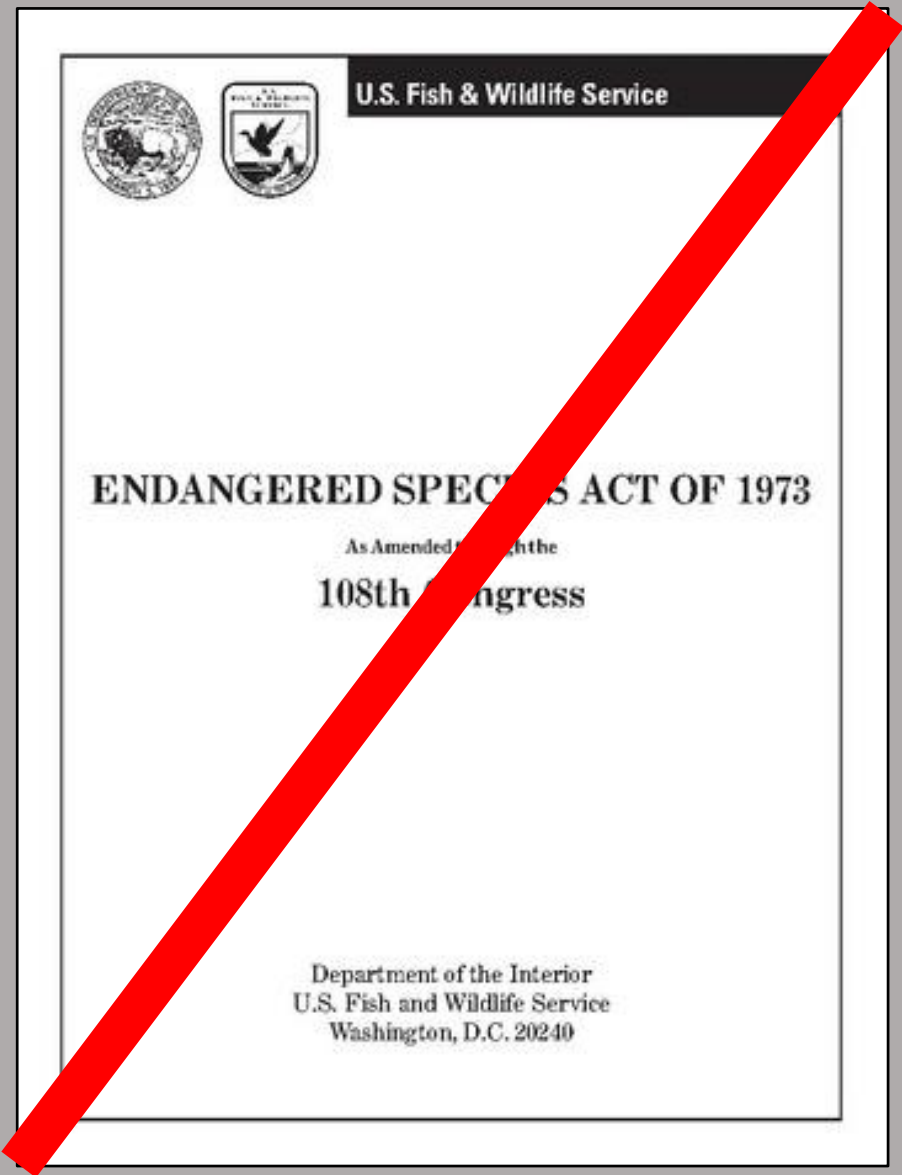
- January 2020



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Federal Status

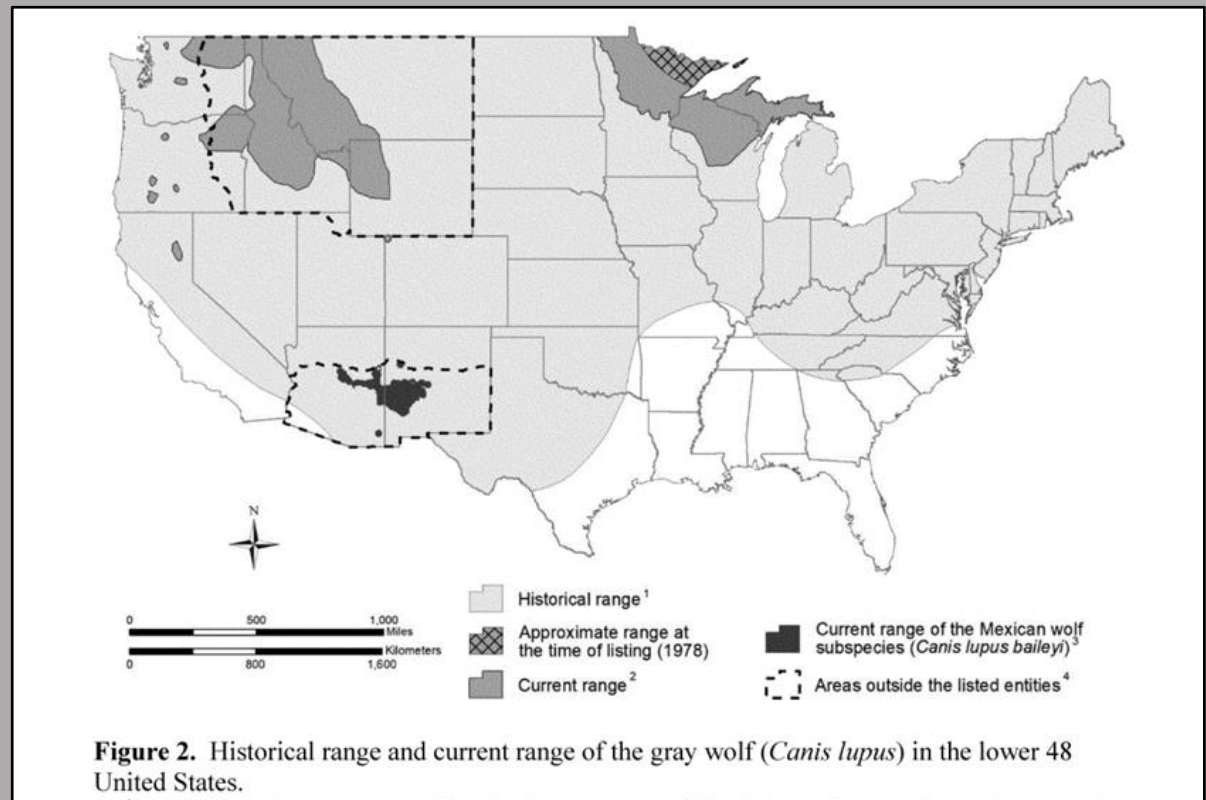
- October 2020
 - Delisted from ESA



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Conversations with other States

•October 2020



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Ballot Initiative

- November 2020



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Colorado Revised Statute 33-2-105.8

The Commission shall...

- Restore wolves west of the Continental Divide
- Develop methodology for determining when the gray wolf is sustaining itself
- Resolve conflicts with those involved in ranching and farming
- Take steps necessary to begin reintroductions by December 31, 2023



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Wolves in North Park

- January 2021



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Education Sessions


- April 2021



Wolf Education Session #2
Reintroduction Logistics and Lessons Learned

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Wolf Education Session #1
Wolf Management and Wolf-Prey Interactions

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Wolf Education Session #3
Wolf-Livestock Damage Minimization and Compensation

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Keystone Policy Center

- April 2021 - August 2022



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Technical Working Group and Stakeholder Advisory Group

- June 2021- August 2022



Livestock Depredation

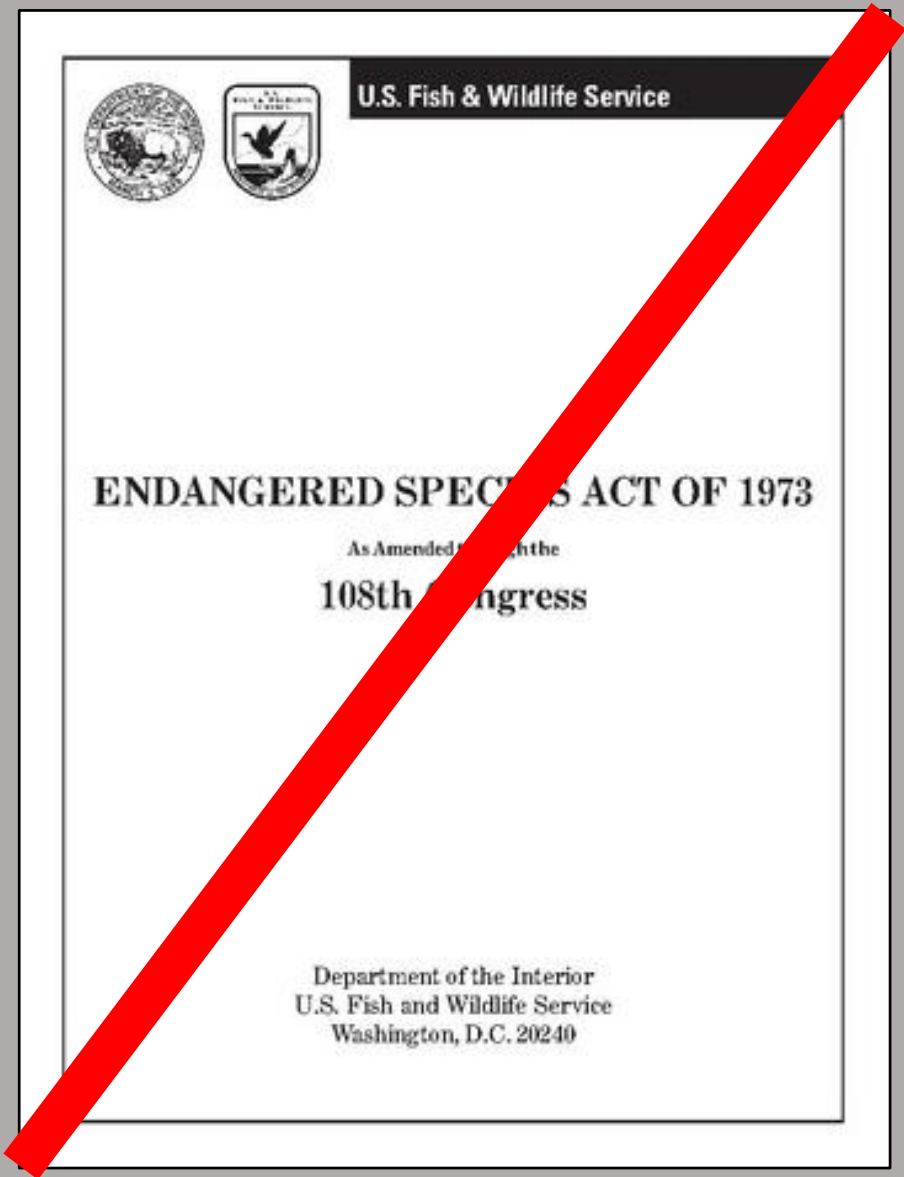
- December 2021



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Federal Status

- February 2022
 - Court Ruling
relisted wolves



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10(j) and NEPA Analysis

- February 2022 - December 2023

Colorado Gray Wolf Section 10(j) Rulemaking
Proposed Rule and Environmental Impact Statement

Winter 2023

Fish and Wildlife Service
U.S. Department of the Interior



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Plan Drafting

- August 2022 -
December
2022

DRAFT Presented to Colorado Parks and Wildlife Commission 9 December 2022 DRAFT

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Photo of 1084F taken in North Park, Colorado, July 2019
Submitted anonymously to CPW



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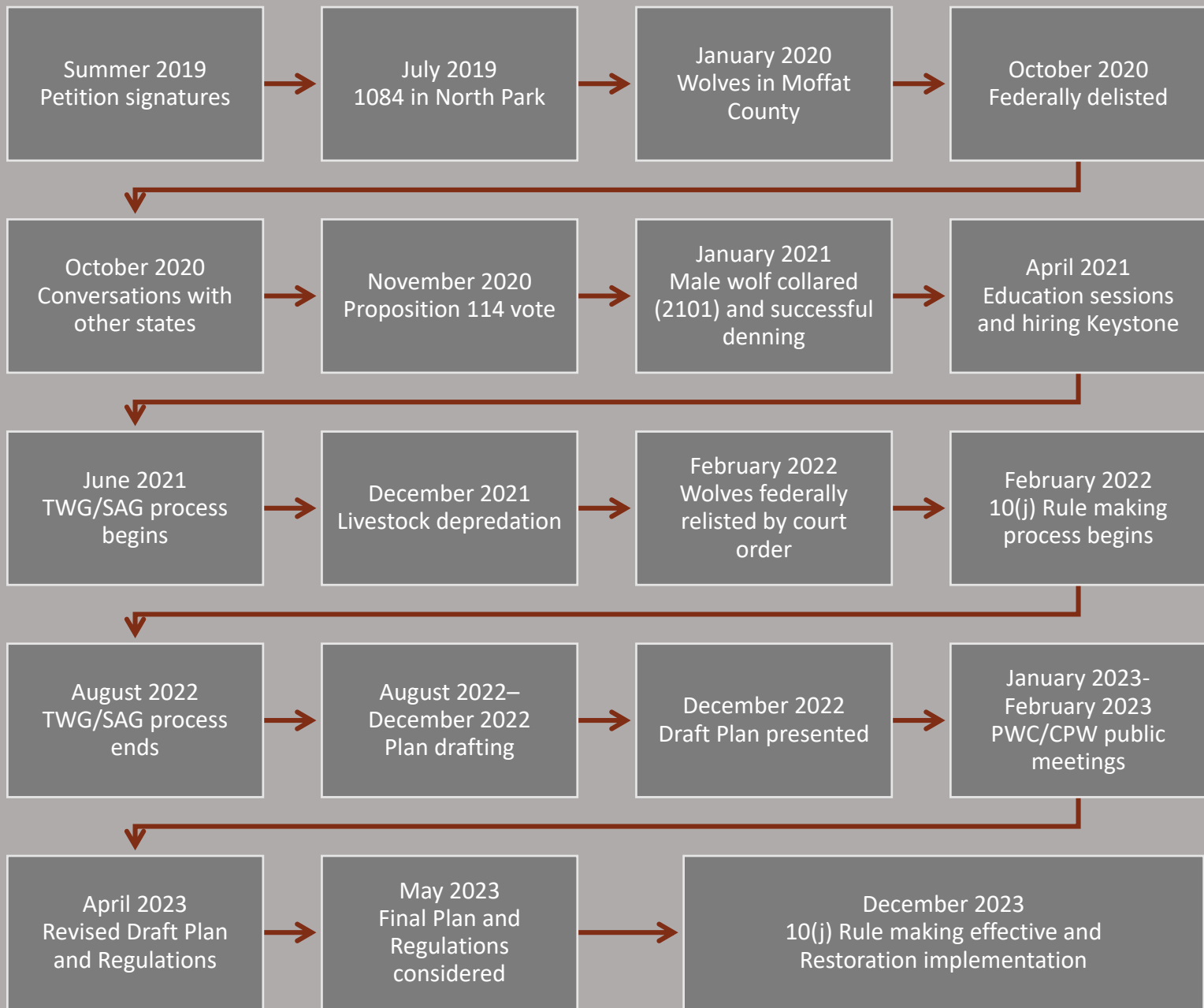
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CPW Commission Involvement

- Presentations throughout TWG/SAG Progress
- Draft Plan presented in December 2022
- 5 meetings in January/February 2023
- Revised Plan presented April 2023
- Final Plan presented today



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