

Endangered Gray wolves

In 2022, six gray wolves were fatally poisoned in Washington State and did not survive.

Gray wolves are a very important animal in this world, if they went extinct then the food chain would collapse. During 1860-1870 more than 10,000 gray wolves were killed a year mostly because they would eat farmers crops and vegetables. Farmers would set up traps to attempt and kill the wolf, sometimes they would poison them by putting poison in the crops.

Where in the world does the gray wolf live?

The gray wolf lives in North America, Europe, and Asia. Its habitat is temperate forests, mountains, tundra, taiga, grasslands and deserts.

What threats is this animal facing?

One of the gray wolves problems right now is deforestation. The gray wolf doesn't have a lot of places to live because we cut down too many trees to build homes for ourselves. But deforestation is only an elementary problem that the gray wolf is having to deal with right now. Poachers from all over the world hunt the gray wolf for its skin, because the poachers want to sell it for money. One major way that people can help protect gray wolves is to not buy their skin, by not buying their skin the poachers won't sell it and if nobody buys the gray wolves' skin then they would stop hunting them.

What would happen to the environment if the gray wolf went extinct?

If the gray wolf went extinct then the food chain would collapse. The elk and deer population would increase and eat the cow and other livestock's food. Then we would

have a food shortage in beef and dairy and possibly shortages in other food products as well. What other animal would be affected if the gray wolf went extinct?

If the gray wolf goes extinct then the grizzly bear will go endangered, because the carcasses of the gray wolf's prey help to reconstruct nutrients and supply food for other wild species.. In conclusion there are only 7,000-11,000 gray wolves left in the world!