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Comments:

The High Uintas Wilderness needs to be left to native wildlife. Livestock grazing should be eliminated or severely limited so as to avoid interference with native species.

Grazing by domestic livestock fouls lakes and streams, and negatively impacts native wildlife. The welfare of native species needs to be a priority and domestic sheep grazing would have a negative impact on recovering native bighorn sheep and others.

Likewise it would not be acceptable to cull predators to protect livestock should the decision be made to allow livestock to continue to graze in the Wilderness. The recovery of native predators needs to be placed above domestic livestock. Any actions that may be taken to curtail predation would need to be non-lethal and take the welfare of native predators into account.

No grazing is the best option as it is best for the wildlife, watersheds, recreation, and the Wilderness. At the very least, the Forest Service should close any sheep grazing allotment if the permit is waived back to the Forest Service.