### BACKGROUND: Recently there has quite a bit of conversation about the number of Grey Wolves in the U.P. of Michigan and the effects on the deer herd. When the Grey Wolf was first put on the Endangered Species List the Federal Government goal was 50 in the U.P. and the Michigan DNR goal was 200. During the 2019 winter survey, before pups were born, 662 wolves were identified and 139 packs were identified. Each pack has 1 dominate female which will breed and drop 4-6 pups, thus the spring/summer population could be 1,218-1,496. According to some studies 40%-60% may die from natural causes during a year. Many people feel the number of wolves should be reduced others feel nothing should be done to manage the number of wolves.

### We would like your opinion. *When the Grey Wolf is taken off the Endangered Species list should the DNR manage the wolf population by:*

### Question #1 - Have a controlled hunting and trapping season to bring Grey Wolf numbers down to

### 200

* 1. **300**
  2. **400**
  3. **Do nothing**

**Question #2 - In the past there were designated areas of the U.P. where the DNR had a controlled hunt.**

1. **Should hunting and trapping season remain in designated areas?**
2. **Should hunting and trapping season be across the entire U.P.?**

**Your comments are encouraged below.**