Michigan Wolf Management Wolf Hunt and Trapping Season

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Are you familiar with the Michigan DNR stance on a 2021 Wolf Season?	l am familiar	479 votes	50.5%
948 answers	l am somewhat familiar	362 votes	38.2%
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Do you believe Michigan DNR should change its stance and implement a wolf management hunting and trapping season in 2021? 948 answers

Yes	932 votes	98.3%
No	16 votes	1.7%

Would you support Hunter Nation challenging the Michigan DNR position on a 2021 Wolf Season? 948 answers

Yes, I would support this	906 votes	95.6%
No, I would not support to this	16 votes	1.7%
am neutral to this	26 votes	2.7%

Comments:

232 answers

I hunt the Eastern UP and the deer herd has been decimated. Very few deer and getting worse every year.

I want DNR and NRC to abide by Proposal G, sound science management -

Wolf season now!

a lot more wolves than the DNR states there is look how quick wisconsin filled there quota and more

I think we need to decide how to manage our wildlife and not people who have no idea what is going on or Noel affected by wolves!

The people living in city America do not see what the wolf has done to the whitetail herd. Way to many wolves.

We need a hunt ASAP!

This needs to be done

We need a controlled trapping season to get the numbers down to where they are supposed to be.

Wolves definitely need to be managed!!! Exterminated in Michigan wouldn't hurt my feelings.

I own a cabin in mackinaw county that 12 of us hunted all of muzzle loading season. We seen very few deer and a lot of wolves!!!!

When an animal gets above a healthy sustainable population it is much more humane to harvest them back into the desired population ...its quick effective and does not ad a species like in the case of the ash bore catastrophe no one seems to remember

They all need to be shot off!!!

Every state needs to manage there wolf population to keep everything in check

Wolves need to be managed there numbers in the up are out of control!!

Yes we need a hunt on them they are bad by my house and my two kids can't even play out side at dusk the dam wolf's sit across the road and watch us

Way to many wolfs and. It enough deer anymore. Figure if a wolf has to eat a deer a week and there are 2,000 wolfs times 52. Well let's just the Wolf has to go.

We are overrun with wolves in the eastern u.p.

Way more wolves than they realize. And deer are down a lot

DNR is almost worthless

Absolutely get it done

Lets do it now

Keep up the great work, Hunter Nation! God Bless

We need this badly! So maybe my children will see deer again!

Deer are in very low numbers in Mackinc county seen two wolves deer hunting this year. More wolves than deer in this county.

Wolves are devastating the deer in the east U.P. I have been hunting deer in the U.P. for over 51 years and have never seen the deer numbers so low even in 2015-16 when deer numbers were low i managed to shoot a nice buck. The last two years I saw very few deer with no shoot able bucks. Wolf tracks all over the place.

The DNR needs to establish a season asap

We are in severe trouble near Bark River, MI. We are flat out saturated with wolves. I have seen 11 different wolves so far this year after seeing a record number of 16 different wolves last year. Previous to last year I averaged seeing 6 different wolves per year. But with no complaints to the state about thwe high wolf population nobody knows how bad it really is up here. Thx for your time.

Need a hunt badly in houghton and keweenaw counties

Wolves should not be reintroduced. It is tree huggers miney , with no clue what it is doing to our deer beards.

I read a report on wolf/deer kill ratios and the co-habitation of both species. Lot of very important scientific info. I'm not opposed to a controlled wolf hunt but make sure that there is significant scientific data to support a hunt

It's all been said

Should do a lotta like bear and elk

The wolves have been steadily killing off our deer herd as well as the bear Cubs have seen this first hand if the d n r don't take care of the problem us sportsmanneed to take care of it our selves

The Michigan upper peninsula wolf population is out of control and needs to be managed.

There needs to be a wolf season to control and maintain a m

Please help us we have to many wolfs in Michigan thanks

We need a change and think HN is just what we need to continue moving forward in a positive direction!

Wolf's need to be managed...way to many!

I wish the MI DNR would wake up and open their eyes! I've been hunting the UP since I was a kid and I've watched the wolves take out the majority of the deer. I've watched the deer become less and less now it's almost pathetic to say I'm hunting in the UP it's more like I'm sitting in the woods with a rifle in my hands, not sure I can consider it hunting anymore when there's almost no deer left where I hunt in the eastern UP. I can't believe the DNR is just sitting back and watching this resource being destroyed when all they have to do is start managing the wolves. The eco system is becoming way out of balanced and its having awful effects on all wildlife in the UP.

They need to be controlled they're devastating DNR was intended for the sportsman not for publicity.

We need a season in Michigan so we can start to enjoy our resources again. I have been able to safely run my dogs up there in 5 years

Lets get back to honest management MDNR...Time to end politicalization of our resources!

Wolves should never have been reintr to the U P. We had a camp in the Big Bay Area for 50+ years and after the wolf reintroduction, sold!

DEFINITELY NEED A SEASON .

We have an ethical obligation to follow the SCIENCE and manage the wolf population appropriately, which includes a hunt/trapping season according to all the experts, including the man who was responsible for the reintroduction!

Worthless vermin

They need to be heavily managed! Every corner you go around is a wolf

wolf numbers need to be cut down majorly. you never realize how many there are until there is a season

Why hunt something you can't eat?

Please help us fight to manage wolves

All predators need to be hunted along with other wildlife to keep them at healthy population numbers. Wolves especially, when they're numbers get too high they are dangerous to domestic animals and humans.

There's getting way to many, and people love deer, big bucks. You won't have any left if u let the wolves take over.

We need this to happen ASAP

The population is getting out of control

Michigan needs to desperately take control of the Michigan wolf population

A wolf season here should parallel WI's recent Feb season to maximize harvest.

Thanks for doing this in WI. My wife was awarded a license, but the quota was filled before we could get there to hunt. Would love the chance to do it in MI before it's to late. Thanks

Minnesota and Michigan need to follow suit these state have been unmanaged for too long. It's unsafe for long for everybody involved

I have been an avid outdoorsman for 45 years, with the last 22 in Michigan's UP. I have seen first hand the devastation that wolves have done to the deer herds. I have seen the kills. I have seen the spread if wolves way past the intended target. I have seen hunters "quit " due to lack of deer, where they have been for generations. These same historical hunters are not passing the activity to younger generations. The overpopulation of wolves is, and will continue to negatively impact economies of Michigan's UP.

In order to regain control of the population. The longer it gets pushed back the more out of control they are going to be.

Get it done – no deer left in the UP because of wolves 🤬!

The Great Lakes wolf population is healthy to say the least and with a very healthy harvestable population a season makes sense on managing them. Wisconsin has already proven how over populated they are and how effective hunters can be at getting numbers back to a target number.

Thank you for your great efforts to help us in the management of these predators.

Wolves need to be managed just like every other animal.

Wolves are wrecking hunting for future generations. There is too many and they need to be dealt with

There is just as many wolves in MI as WI!! They need to be managed like mostly everything else that lives in the wild!!

They are destroying the UP the property value, tourism, and a way of life there is a reason why they were eradicated years a go. There is a place for wolfs in our national parks where there is no risk to the population. We are very close to wolfs hunting and feeding off people when they run out of game to eat in the UP, there no predators for them how do they think it's going to turn out as they are allowed to populate at will.

The wolf population is healthy and growing, which is why they have been delisted. It is now the responsibility of the state to manage wolves, and to control the population.

the wolf population needs to be controlled!!!

The wolf population is out of control and needs yo be managed.

Kill them all!

The Population NEEDS To Be Kept At A Manageable Rate!!

To many in our area

Keep up the great work HN.

We severely need to bring the wolf population back to a somewhat realistic number in mi.,mn., and wi.

The wolves need to be managed

Get R Done!

Get rid of them all

Getter done!

I own property in the UP, they should have done it years ago the deer heard probably never going to recover.

Michigan and Minnesota both need help just like Wisconsin

These things need to go, period.

All in with action now.

They are way too many wolves in Michigan. The Wisconsin hunt proved that the dnr is not capable of reasonably estimating true wolf numbers. Any Michigan hunter should be able to harvest 1 wolf per person if they choose to. Charge 20\$ for a wolf tag like a deer tag. The dnr would make a lot of money from that.

They need to be managed. They come right up to my aunt's deck in the up. I heard stories of hunters getting chased out of the woods.

Needs to be a wolf hunt to many of them causing livestock damage and other problems

Too many Wolves

Why not stick to the original plan of 200 wolves between Michigan and Wisconsin combined? Something needs to happen fast before the Biden administration activists re-list them. Also, the HSUS should have zero input in the decision. They're nothing more than an anti-hunting activist group.

I feel it's very important to get the wolf numbers lower to help the deer population and other species that have been affected by the overpopulation of wolfs.

There is already a management plan already follow it and work on it and update as we move forward they do not have accurate count of the wolf the real number is closer to 1200

Wolf numbers have greatly exceeded the sustainable number the scientists set. They are harming the UPs eco system.

Needs to happen. The sooner the better.

Hopefully all of you that killed a wolf just for a trophy meet a swift ending to your miserable existance.

Time to manage the packs

persons who reside in wolf country should have an exclusive on managing them

Just do it

Something needs to be done soon. I haven't seen a deer around my place in a year and a half. This has to stop.

The wolf population is plenty high to have a managed season

they rout of control

We should have had a season immediately after they were delisted.

The wild population is effecting the entire ecosystem in the upper peninsula

Open the season up.

Wolfs are out of control in Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. Every animal needs to be managed!!

Way to many wolves deer everywhere are hurting and land owners that have land in u.p don't even want to go up anymore to deer hunting because of the wolves. Open a season so we can manage them

I believe there should be a regulated wolf management hunt.

Get behind SR 15

Wolves need to be decreased some in Michigan upper peninsula

I'm losing faith in our DNR especially with whitetail

We desperately need a wolf season again to help manage the population effective

Wolves are terrible for Michigan.

Wolves are killing all deer in U P

I live in the up where I see more wolves than bucks

Need to allow hunting to control these predators before they kill all wildlife.

the wolf population in the last few years where I have bear hunted in the upper peninsula has been insane. some kind of management plan should definitely be put in place

We need a wolf/trapping season on wolfs.

The fact that Michigan is not implementing a season is disturbing.

It's already out of hand in so many areas of the upper peninsula. Some places more wolves than deer, and now we are getting videos of wolves in residential neighborhoods.

need a wolf hunt and trapping as soon as possible

It's long overdue for Michigan to start managing these wolves. There are way to many running around. I watched one this morning on the way home from work feeding on a dead deer.

Why would you challenge a hunt ge need a hunt for wolves asap

Im affraid if they DON'T allow a hunting/trapping season on wolfs, the public WILL in secret with NO LIMITS.

38 year UP deer hunter, 3 generation with the fourth generation going the last 15 years. We seen 8 wolves last muzzleloader season with few deer sighting!! There's talk in the group of not going in 2021 season due to wolves!!!

I live in a residential area in the U.P. and have had wolf tracks as close as 20yds to my house a few times this winter. I have little kids and dogs so I'm not a fan of that. It's time we start responsibly managing them.

The Michigan dnr is corrupt

It's time to manage the wolf population. As a resident of the UP (Dickinson County), I have seen more wolves this past year than coyotes. I drive every weekend to houghton from Iron Mountain and regularly see wolves crossing the road. It's apparent that they are becoming less scared of human interaction. Three times in the last 6 months, I have had them stop and do semi circles around my truck. This is not normal behavior. All three times they have exhibited a stature that showed they would not back down. Deer hunting has declined substantially in the area I hunt and it is because of wolves. Deer kill sites are so commonly found, it's become the norm. It's disheartening to see the tradition of deer hunting diminish so quickly.

There are way to many wolfs

Follow Wisconsin and allow all types of hunting and trapping.

Thy need to let dog hunters used dogs that way they would become dog sly and it would stop alot of problems

The DNR's guesstimate of the popular

Long overdue Michigan needs to manage the population.

Wolves need to be managed, the loss of deer, livestock and hunting dogs to wolves is uncalled for. Start listening to the sportsmen.

Kill the wolves! They have destroyed our deer population. Ridiculous

What about the NRC...Who is going to get them in line?

It is getting to a dangerous level. The heard needs to be managed. The numbers are much much higher than your guess!

Please help how ever you can they have taken over our property and are killing every thing

They need a wolf season as bad or worse than Wisconsin

Yes, I am in 100% in support of a wolf hunt they need to be managed in a bad I'm from the Newberry Area and they are terrible over here and devastating on our deer herd and other animals such as my hounds that i take pride in training.

I wish I had more time to address the lack of competence that Michigan DNR has. But that would take hours of typing and I'm not going to do that when I know that it won't do any good.

How many more dogs, cattle livestock etc have to be killed for sport before someone in Lansing pays attentions and listens. Stop listening to the people who just run there Louth listen to the sportsman who are out in the field everyday. These animals need to be managed to me it's common sense

The NRC and DNR need to be proactive and progressive in woof management.

Yes every michigan sportsman should support wolf management every person that recreates in the up should be in favor

Wes Fogle. Antrim county mi land owner and Houghton county mi land owner

The Upper Peninsula should have a Wolf hunt.

Just way to many wolfs. Deer herd and dogs people are in danger

I think we should have a two season hunt one in early fall for trappers and one later in the winter even if it is into 2022 for the gun and hound hunters.

The hunt is definitely needed and the NRC and DNR can't even agree

I believe a wolf hunting season is way over due. The deer herd has suffered because of the wolves and now moose is starting to suffer. To keep the eco system in balance, some of these wolves must be eliminated. And with no predator above them for nature to run its cource it is up to hunters.

Does this state agency actually care about the deer herd and actually do something or keep putting on a personal.

The wolves need managed in a bad way

Who or What is hunter Nation?

DNR is negligent if they don't manage the wolf population.

We need to actively manage Michigan's wolf population.

The wolves are killing everything. There's way more wolves the 700. Wisconsin had there season and killed over 200 in 2-3 days and they say there's roughly 1000 in there state. Talk to any dnr field officer and they'll even tell you there's double the population then what upper officials are telling you. There needs to be a season, hands down.

They need to be managed we can't let them ruin all type of hunting across the upper peninsula,

I live in Houghton county and personally see tens of wolves a year hunting

We need a wolf season permanently

these wolfs are going to kill a child or weak person then the dnr should be held mostly at blame.my family has a cabin in the central UP lve seen wolfs but what lve seen most of is how they are attracted to ome of these state parks. Im no pro but when the parks get busy its not to hard to read the signs on sand roads.

Wolves are clearly over populated in the upper peninsula ... a wolf was seen by Cameron elementary school in Gladstone.. right in town... and another was killed by the log cabin in Gladstone which is a very busy highway and highly populated area.

I am tired of the DNR not managing wolf population.

I hunt Chippewa county and have seen wolves and I have also seen what they have done to the deer population. I have invested a lot of time, money and effort in order to be there and hunt, and all seems for nothing. Thanks

Getting late in the season to have a wolf hunt this year, next year for sure.

Kill em all

They need to be controlled by having a hunting/trapping season!

Wolf hunt/ management needs to take place immediately

MI needs to manage wolves. They are a problem at their current population.

Open the season on the wolf's

Our DNR has done a terrible job of managing our natural resources. Give up hunt out of state

All wildlife needs to be managed. And without managing apex predators we cannot pretend we are effectively managing any other game species

We have way over the base number of breeding pairs in the upper peninsula and should be managed to sustain a viable deer population also

We need to kill some wolves!

Need a balance of deer and wolves. Hunted 12 days in Ontonagan county saw 6 deer.

We desperately need to.

Currently own and hunt property in the U.P. I would fully support a wolf hunt as we have multiple wolf sightings. Furthermore, have seen a major decline in deer numbers.

We need a wolf season!!

We need this!

It mite already be to late 😠

The Michigan DNR needs to pull their heads out of the sand and do something before we have no deer or moose left in the upper peninsula.

I am not anti-wolf. I am pro-diverse ecosystems. Diverse ecosystems create opportunities for sportsmen, and I am in favor of that. I am pro-wolf hunting and trapping.

we need lower wolf numbers, they are undercounted

Time is wasting.

The wolves of the UP must be managed with a hunting and trapping season.

Wolve are a nessecary evil and are in dire need of management.

Please let us know what legislators we can contact to help this along

This hunt needs to happen before the deer are totally wiped out in in the YOOP !

Take off your tinfoil hats boys. Killing a bunch of wolves won't solve anything

They made the mistake of releasing an apex predator into the ecosystem without any means to control it. We must right the wrongs of the DNR and get our ecosystem back to where it's pre wolf condition.

Wolves need to be managed! Not let to continue breeding and feasting on whatever wildlife is available. When that runs out livestock is game to them. I should say plenty of farm stock gets killed already!

We need a season on wolves. They are out of hand and don't know to fear man. They are in our towns and yards and don't care if you try to s are them away

Don't let idiots from down state determine if we need a wolf hunt or not. Listen to us who are out in the woods all year round.

If one waits to address a cancer the results are the same as waiting to address the wolf problem.

Just like any other animal, wolves need to be managed. Hunters and trappers are the most logical way. I would love to hunt wolves every few years. I personally don't want them wiped out but I see the damage they have done to our deer herd and I don't see it getting better till the wolves are managed

Too many wolves. Need thinned out

They need to be managed like everything else!!

They are not managing game properly in the Upper Michigan. The Wolf is listed as a game species in the state and should immediately be managed as such. The last two years the deer numbers in the U.P. have declined.

We need a season so they can be managed. The DNR is not managing them now. Just like other animals especially predators they need managed so they don't overpopulate and kill everything, then they will have a population crash by starvation after they have eaten every living animal

Manage!

They need to be managed at the least.

I own property and hunt in western upper peninsula. The population has exploded in the past 20 years.

HN and Wi DNR no doubt made it almost impossible for Michigan to defend a hunt in court by the rushed and poorly held hunt that overshot the quota by 82%. If it isn't done right it WILL be taken away and made even more difficult to get back.

The wolf population in our area in Marquette county is getting high. Not a lot of deer sign and I worry about children and pets being attacked in the near future.

I'm a hunter and trapper in Northern Michigan. My family is from the u.p. wolves are a problem we need to manage. Iv seen them around mackinaw city. Allow hunting and traping

We cannot run our hounds anymore due to the risk of wolf attacks

Undecided many comments suggest motivation to decimate the U.P. Wolf population

We have got to do something! Wolves have destroyed the deer herd in Michigan!

At this point it's not nearly as much the state holding it up as it will the feds. Politicians have no business in fisheries and wildlife management.

Way tome

Michigan's upper peninsula desperately need a wolf hunt. I am a land owner and have been hunting the upper peninsula for 25 years. Right now are the lowest deer numbers and highest wolf numbers I have ever seen!

To have a good management process you have to manage all species. We cannot let the Gray Wolf go unchecked.

Long overdue action must be done to keep a stable population of other creatures

Definitely open a hunting and trapping season.

Desperately in need of a wolf hunt, all government officials opposed should explain the declining deer numbers in the U.P but recently allowed more for tags without allowing a wolf hunting and trapping season.

The original wolf reintroduction in the UP was set up to mange 200 wolves maximum !! Mr. Robinson who spearheaded this said no more than 200 max. UP wide. He was a professor at NMU and has since passed. Maybe check his work (must be archived somewhere) to help reduce the current population

A controlled predator population is good for an ecosystem but we are well beyond that now. Wolves showing up in populated areas and the significant decline of the UP's whitetail population is extremely alarming. Relatives who farm are now dealing with wolves at a higher rate, as well as the coyotes they have always had to deal with. It is time to control the wolf population.

Make it a game hunt. Sell tags. Have to be able to Hunt at night with spotlight.

If something isn't done to contain these wolves we will loose an entire generation of hunters here in the U.P

The wolves need to be taken care of !!!

We have way to many wolves in mackinac co, I had a pack of 9 come through my blind in late season, and a single wolf chase a buck during rifle season

The Michigan DNR is so far off on their estimated wolf count it is truly sad. As a sportsman that spends 3 to 4 days a week in the woods it is very frustrating to see wolves take over our woods, im afraid by the time we have a season it will be too late because they will have ruined what has made the upper peninsula of Michigan some place special.

The U.P. has way to many wolves, they need to be managed. Last year was by far the worst deer season in my hunting career of 35 yrs. Something needs to be done immediately

Would like to see a 2021 wolf season.

This needs to happen this year. The MDNR failed Michigan Sportsmen and Women. The current Wolf Management plan already allows for the MDNR to develop a sport hunt. They didn't and should have been ready to roll

There has to be a balance in all animals right now there way out out of balance I hunt from Sault area to Bergland I've seen more wolves this year than I've ever seen it's not good deer numbers are declining considerably some areas that they habitat you don't even hear a squirrel they kill everything then move on.

There are many people who spend lots of there free time in the woods. Especially in the U.P. We see the tracks of wolfs and lots of time see the wolfs in person. There's more of us then there is "experts" on the situation. We need to take advantage of the opportunity we have with the wolfs being delisted. We need to manage them before they get out back on the list and are on there for another 10 years. There's more wolfs then they can even count. They need management

The UP needs to manage the wolf populations for several years to come. I am in favor of any way to curve this population to ZERO

Words cannot explain the frustration we as a responsible people feel when we watch a population(even a small one) takes over to the detriment of the majority. Whether your talking of wolves or a population of people sometimes a responsible reduction the reasonable laws (i.e. people) or reduction in population (i.e wolves) is what needs to be put at the top of the list of what we do!!!!!

There's to many wolves and mountain lion and we are losing our deer they got rid of them in the sixties and we should get rid of them now

Way to many wolves hurting deer hunting and also to many wolf dog conflicts

I am in full support of a wolf hunt and trapping. These wolfs are getting out of control. The season needs to be open. No limits or areas. They try to keep you from the heavy population areas or packs they want to keep. Just like the last hunt.

There needs to be a wolf hunt. The deer are really struggling because of them

I would like to see the eastern end of the UP Chippewa County get permits as well the eastern end of the UP is left out of most of the Wolf talk