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Hi there

Could you please include this late item of correspondence for the committee of the whole meeting tomorrow regarding the wolf moratorium topic. I am writing in opposition to ban wolf hunting on Vancouver Island.

I highly recommend the ACRD & AICC read Dr Valerius Geist's work regarding wolves; there are many resources on the internet and the ACRD should consider contacting him. Valerius is a resident of Port Alberni. He is an ethologist, world renowned author and professor retired from the University of Calgary. His passion has taught me that wolves prey on humans, they become overpopulated and laws that ban wolf hunting in other countries have become a massive problem. Please read his research before a vote goes ahead.

I would like to share a quote from Valerius, "The absolutely precious lesson from our North American experience with wolves in the 20th century is that at low wolf-to-prey ratios wolves grow into very large, shy specimens that shun humans, while greatly enriching our landscape and quality of life. Control will be seen as essential to maintain wolves and robust big game populations and minimize intrusions by wolves into human settlements."

Sincerely,

Nikki Levasseur