



[Education](#)
[Milwaukee's](#)
[Homeschoolers Take](#)



[Health & Science](#)
[Mentorship to Help](#)
[Breast Cancer Patients](#)



[Arts & Culture](#)
[Twin Brother Debuts](#)
[Natural, Feel-Good](#)

Environment

5:51 PM THU MAY 23, 2013

Committee Debates Second Wolf Hunt Quota

By [SUSAN BENCE](#) (/PEOPLE/SUSAN-BENCE)

Listen

WUWM environmental reporter Susan Bence interviews UW-Madison researchers Lisa Naughton and Adrian Treves about public opinions on the state's wolf hunt.

The clock is ticking ever closer to Wisconsin's "still hotly debated" second wolf harvest.



http://mediad.publicbroadcasting.net/p/wuwm/files/201305/W766_woodford.jpg

[Enlarge image](#)

http://mediad.publicbroadcasting.net/p/wuwm/files/201305/W766_woodford.jpg

Credit Michele Woodford

A gray wolf in Wisconsin

After the wolf's federal endangered status was lifted in January 2012, Wisconsin quickly drafted a wolf hunt law. In what critics complained was the blink of an eye, Wisconsin carried out its first wolf harvest.

On Thursday, the DNR's recently formed Wolf Advisory Committee is huddled in a conference room in Wausau, charged with setting this season's harvest quota.

As the committee deliberates, two UW-Madison scientists will share their 14 years of research.

Geography professor Lisa Naughton and environmental studies associate professor Adrian Treves have – and continue to – survey Wisconsin residents to glean public opinion on wolf policy and management.

"Most of the state agrees we

should have some wolves – most of the state agrees we probably need to keep a cap on how big that population is," Naughton says. "Most agree that there should be some kind of compensation or protection of livestock producers, so they don't lose livestock on their private land."

Naughton and Treves were both members of the wolf scientific advisory committee, which was disbanded when the wolf was removed from the endangered list in Wisconsin. They are currently completing three related studies on public attitudes on wolf policy and management.



http://mediad.publicbroadcasting.net/p/wuwm/files/201305/treves_and_naughton.jpg

Today's meeting of the DNR's

CL

[Enlarge image](#)

http://mediad.publicbroadcasting.net/p/wuwm/files/201305/treves_and_naughton.jpg

recommendations, slated to be reviewed by the Natural Resources Board in June, with the wolf hunt season slated to kick off on October 15.

Credit Susan Bence

UW Madison researchers Adrian Treves and Lisa Naughton

TAGS: [Lake Effect \(/term/lake-effect\)](#) [environment \(/term/environment-0\)](#)
[Wolves \(/term/wolves\)](#) [wolf hunt \(/term/wolf-hunt\)](#) [Wisconsin DNR \(/term/wisconsin-dnr\)](#)

Related Content:



Environment

[National Forests Face Threats from People, Politics - and](#)