

Media Invited to Living Northwest Conservation Story Workshop

Three Pacific Northwest species considered for historic conservation action

WHAT: The media is invited to a special idea incubator and story workshop on **Thursday, December 7, at 10:00 a.m.** The event comes as three Northwest species, the wolverine, grizzly bear and western pond turtle, are all currently being considered for federal action, protection or reintroduction.

The zoo is gathering several science and policy experts to share their thoughts on and chat about the plight of these species. The event will feature both in-house experts and external zoo partners. Media and guests will also have the opportunity to ask questions and engage in conversation with the experts.

Space is limited and RSVPs are strongly requested.
Please RSVP by Nov. 30 by emailing WoodlandParkZooPR@Zoo.org.

If you have any accommodations of which we should be mindful, please reach out to us.

WHEN: **Thursday, Dec. 7 from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.** (doors open at 9:30 a.m.)

WHERE: Woodland Park Zoo's Center for Wildlife Conservation, CWC.

5500 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle, WA 98103
Cross streets: Phinney Ave. N. between N. 55th and N. 56th Sts.

INFO: This month, three species native to the Northwest—grizzly bears, western pond turtles and wolverines—are at the center of historic conservation activities. Grizzly bears are the focus of science-based recovery planning and are being considered for reintroduction in the North Cascades; the public comment period for the Environmental Impact Statement recently closed. Western pond turtles are being considered for possible protection listing under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the public is invited to provide comment for this proposal, too. Wolverines in the contiguous U.S. are also being assessed for ESA protections, with a decision anticipated by the end of November.

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