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## **GRIZZLY MANAGEMENT STATEMENT**

*BHA is a proponent of the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation and the Public Trust Doctrine that define fish and wildlife resources as the property of the people and managed on our behalf by state agencies entrusted with their stewardship. This proven conservation model is the foundation of science-based fish and wildlife management and we put our trust in state agencies to ensure that decisions are being guided by science.*

*The Endangered Species Act has been an important conservation tool for recovering threatened and endangered wildlife species in America. The grizzly bear is a remarkable ESA success story with strong population growth and expansion across the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem. Grizzly bear population recovery and habitat goals have been met for many years and with healthy populations across Idaho, Montana and Wyoming, Backcountry Hunters & Anglers supports the decision by wildlife professionals at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to delist grizzlies and transition management back to the states.*

