## <u>The wolves of Yellowstone</u> February 15, 2018 Wyoming Nouse

... Wolves were then trapped, shot or poisoned until the last packs were removed in the 1920's ... Elk saw rapid increases in their populations ... wolves were finally released [into Yellowstone] in the winter of 1995 ... The main effect the wolves had on the deer population was not the amount they reduced it by but how they altered their behavior ... Changes to the grazing patterns allowed rejuvenation in the areas where the deer avoided..,