

On July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011, Idaho For Wildlife sponsored Dr. Charles E Kay, and Clayton H. Dethlefsen to speak in Salmon, Idaho regarding the controversial wolf issue.

Charles E. Kay is an Adjunct Associate Professor in Political Science and a Senior Research Scientist with the Institute of Political Economy at Utah State University. He received his Ph.D. in wildlife ecology from Utah State University, his M.S. in environmental studies from the University of Montana, and his B.S. in wildlife biology also from the University of Montana. Dr. Kay is frequently referred as the “Wolf prophet”, because he predicted back in 1993 that we would in this wolf crisis today and he knew the original US Fish & Wildlife services wolf plan was not based on science and that the 300 wolf requirement for the 3 states was disingenuous at best.

Clayton H. Dethlefsen represents the Western predator control association who is providing independent research regarding potential wolf diseases throughout Idaho counties. Clay is a retired military officer who was involved in the strategic logistical plans of the 1<sup>st</sup> gulf war.

The following day, July 10, 2011, Dr. Charles Kay, Idaho for Wildlife members and two Idaho Fish and game commissioners spent a day horseback riding to discuss the wolf crisis. IDFG commissioners had called and reached out to Dr. Kay for any wisdom he could offer the department regarding future political and legal challenges that will likely surface regarding wolf desisting.

Terry and Billijo Beck owners of Big Timber Outfitters were generous enough to provide the stock along with their professional and courteous services for this trip.



**Clayton H. Dethlefsen from the Western predator control association**



**Dr Charles E. Kay**



**Dr. Kay and IDFG commissioner Gary Powers discuss strategy for keeping the wolves delisted**



**Dr. Kay making a strong point to Commissioner McDermott about wolves and the ESA**



**Getting away in the backcountry is the best setting to learn from the "Wolf Prophet" Dr. Kay!**



**Nathan Alder, IDFG region 7 commissioner Gary Powers and Steve Alder**



**Dr. Kay explaining how the ESA must be changed in order to circumvent future challenges that will negatively impact our ability to manage our wildlife**



**16 year old Nathan Alder enjoying the beauty of the Salmon region and getting an education that he will never forget!**



**Big Timber Outfitters Billijo and Terry Beck who generously made this trip possible by providing wonderful stock, great food, and pleasant trail etiquette!**