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- 48 • The recovery plan should identify:
- 49 (1) The actions necessary for recovery of the listed species;
- 50 (2) The cost of recovery;
- 51 (3) The probability of recovery if the recommended actions are
- 52 taken;
- 53 (4) The types of activities that will be subject to Section 7
- 54 consultation as a result of the listing;
- 55 (5) The consultation;
- 56 (6) The potential economic impacts of listing or not listing;
- 57 (7) The quantities of the same species found elsewhere; and
- 58 (8) The degree that major natural conditions deplete the species.
- 59 • An independent assessment and analysis of the economic impacts of
- 60 any ESA action should be conducted.
- 61 • With regard to consultations,
- 62 (1) Section 7 consultations should be designed to ensure
- 63 compliance with recovery plans;
- 64 (2) Customers of federal agencies involved in consultations should
- 65 be permitted to participate in federal consultation proceedings; and
- 66 (3) The Secretary should be required to streamline and increase the
- 67 efficiency of the consultation and decision making processes.
- 68 • The Secretary of the appropriate federal agency should be required to
- 69 prepare and publish a detailed decision document containing all data
- 70 and scientific analysis, sociological and economic impacts concerning
- 71 the designation of species, sub-species or critical habitat, or finding of
- 72 jeopardy from a proposed project or action.
- 73 • The ESA should provide for standing and intervention by citizens or
- 74 organizations suffering economic injury as a result of a listing, a
- 75 critical habitat designation or recovery plan adoption.

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77 Key Members of Congress have recently advanced legislation

78 to update and improve the ESA, incorporating many of the

79 recommendations listed above. NWPPA urges Congress to swiftly

80 embrace legislation that focuses on species recovery, increases

81 participation by local governments and improves scientific standards.

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