



## ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDAATION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 130703 Union

**Date Investigated:** 7/3/2013

**General Area:** Indian Creek area –Private land

**General situation and animal information:** A calf was found dead on 7/2/2013 near a shed and house. It had been seen alive 8 days earlier. The livestock owner expressed concerns that wolves were involved in the death of this calf and ODFW investigated within 3 hours. No scavenging had occurred prior to the investigation and the calf was intact except for a ruptured rumen, probably a result of decomposition. The entire carcass was skinned and examined by ODFW.

**Physical evidence of attack by a predator:** No evidence of attack by any predator was observed. No sign of a struggle or evidence of any wounds (pre or post mortem) was found.

**Evidence that the predator was a wolf:** N/A

**Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury:** None, this is not an area of known wolf use.

**Recent wolf depredation in the same or nearby area:** None

**Cause of death/injury:**

Confirmed Wolf

Probable Wolf

Possible/Unknown

Other

**Summary:** It is unknown why the calf died, but there was no evidence of predation. Thus, a determination of “other” is warranted.