

## ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDATION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 150529 Wallowa

Date Investigated: 05/29/2015

General Area: Coyote Creek Drainage – Private land

**General situation and animal information**: On 05/29/2015 the local range rider found a partially consumed adult cow while using telemetry to locate a collared wolf. Wolf depredation was suspected and ODFW was contacted and ODFW examined the carcass the same day on 05/29/2015.

**Physical evidence of attack by a predator**: No evidence of attack by predator. The upper right hind leg, left front leg and muscle tissue of left ribs was consumed by scavengers.

Evidence that the predator was a wolf: N.A.

**Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury**: Tracks of a single wolf were observed near cow carcass. GPS locations of Imnaha wolf OR-33 near the carcass on 05/27 and 05/29.

**Recent wolf depredation in the same or nearby area**: No recent confirmed or probable wolf depredations in the general area.

## Cause of death/injury:

Confirmed Wolf Probable Wolf Possible/Unknown Other

**Summary**: ODFW examined the cow carcass and did not find any evidence of predation. GPS locations and tracks suggest collared wolf OR-33 was at the site 2-3 days following estimated death of the cow. No evidence indicates the death was the result of any type of predation. Thus the cause of death is unknown.