



## ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDACTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

**Investigation ID:** 150911 Umatilla

**Date Investigated:** 09/11/2015

**General Area:** Government Mountain – private land

**General situation and animal information:** A friend of a livestock producer found a partially consumed dead adult cow near a boundary fence in a timbered area on 09/06/2015. On 09/11/2015 the livestock producer was notified of the dead animal and wolf depredation was suspected. ODFW was contacted by the livestock producer that morning and an investigation was completed the same day.

**Physical evidence of attack by a predator:** No physical evidence was found on the carcass or the scene that would indicate an attack by a predator.

**Evidence that the predator was a wolf:** None.

**Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury:** None.

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

**Cause of death/injury:**

Confirmed Wolf

Probable Wolf

Possible/Unknown

Other

**Summary:** ODFW examined the cow carcass. Minimal feeding on the carcass with no bite marks, scratches, or deep muscle trauma with hemorrhage indicated the death was not from predation. The lack of evidence of predation and no clear cause of death warranted a designation of possible/unknown.