



ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDACTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 160714 Umatilla

Date Investigated: 7/14/2016

General Area: Weston Mountain– private land

General situation and animal information: On the morning of 7/13/2016, the lessee of a bull (being used for breeding purposes) noticed scratch marks along the bull's rib cage and back when he checked the bull in its pasture. The lessee removed the live bull from its pasture and brought it to a corral later that day in Umapine, OR. The following morning, 7/14/2016, the lessee of the bull found it dead in the corral. The owner was notified who then requested an investigation by ODFW.

Physical evidence of attack by a predator: None. There were no bite marks or puncture wounds on the outside hide of the bull. There were no puncture wounds or hemorrhaging on the intact skinned carcass to indicate there was 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: Unknown. Pasture where bull was removed from by the lessee was not examined due to the outcome of the investigation determining that the cause of death was not wolf related.

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 bull and found no evidence of depredation. No premortem injuries or trauma were found on the carcass and the cause of death could not be determined.