



ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDACTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 170201 Jackson

Date Investigated: 2/1/2017

General Area: South Fork Rogue River area – private land

General situation and animal information: On 1/30/2017 a hunter found a domestic cow carcass in a forested area in an active logging operation. Depredation was suspected and ODFW examined the carcass on the morning of 2/1/2017. The entire skeleton and most of the hide was intact, but almost all internal tissues had been consumed. During the investigation a member of the logging crew notified ODFW that the carcass was there on 1/4/2017 and he had observed dogs at the site. The cow was estimated to have died between 12/30/2016 and 1/4/2017.

Physical evidence of attack by a predator: No evidence of a predator attack was found on the scene or carcass remains.

Evidence that the predator was a wolf: N/A

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 and USFWS examined the scene and the carcass remains and did not find any evidence of a predator attack. The cause of death could not be determined because the cow had been dead for about 1 month and was nearly entirely consumed by scavengers.