



ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDACTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 170209 Crook

Date Investigated: 2/9/17

General Area: Wolf Creek area – private land

General situation and animal information: A livestock producer discovered a dead pregnant heifer in an open sagebrush pasture on 2/9/17. The cows were checked three times on 2/8/17 and the producer reported seeing a wolf one of the times. The producer suspected wolf depredation and ODFW investigated the same day. The carcass was intact and the left hindquarter had been scavenged. The unborn calf was intact with 2 of its legs through the birth canal.

Physical evidence of attack by a predator: None. The carcass was skinned. No bites, punctures or scrapes were observed on the hide. No premortem trauma was observed in the muscle tissue.

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: The carcass and scene were examined. There was no evidence of attack by a predator, resulting in a determination that the death was not wolf related.