



ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDACTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 170327 Lake

Date Investigated: 3/27/2017

General Area: Fort Rock Valley – private land

General situation and animal information: A landowner reported that one of his cows had been killed by a wolf during the early morning of 3/27/2017. ODFW investigated the same day. The cow was a 2-3 year old adult with a 1-month-old calf. The cow reportedly had been standing by itself (away from the herd) for two days prior to death. The udder and an area of tissue approximately 10 inch diameter were missing from the anal area due to foraging by coyotes and birds.

Physical evidence of attack by a predator: ODFW investigated the surrounding area, but found no evidence of an attack. No punctures, bite marks, or bite scrapes were found on the hide. The intact carcass was skinned and no pre-mortem hemorrhage was found in the 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: ODFW examined the carcass and investigated the surrounding area, but found no evidence of wolf predation. The evidence gathered during this investigation is adequate to determine that the death of the cow was not wolf-related.