



ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDACTION INVESTIGATION REPORT

Investigation ID: 170503 Wallowa

Date Investigated: 5/3/2017

General Area: Camp Creek drainage - private land

General situation and animal information: On 5/3/2017 a stock owner was gathering cattle and found a dead adult cow. Wolf depredation was suspected and ODFW investigated that evening. The intact cow had been dead approximately one day, had various scrapes in the hide, and a small amount of muscle tissue had been scavenged around the anus and upper hind legs.

Physical evidence of attack by a predator: The carcass was skinned and each scrape was examined. Some of the scrapes in the hide had corresponding hemorrhage in the underlying tissues, but none that indicate attack by a predator. There was no evidence of attack by predator on the carcass or the scene.

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: A wolf depredation was confirmed on 11/21/2016 approximately 10 miles northwest of this site.

Cause of death/injury:

Confirmed Wolf

Probable Wolf

Possible/Unknown

Other

Summary: ODFW examined the adult cow carcass and did not find any evidence of predation. The injuries found on the cow carcass were believed to be the result of falls while traversing a steep canyon slope. The cause of death is determined to be other than wolf-related.