



## ODFW LIVESTOCK DEPREDAATION INVESTIGATION REPORT

**Investigation ID:** 170621 Wallowa

**Date Investigated:** 6/21/2017

**General Area:** Chesnimnus Creek drainage – public land.

**General situation and animal information:** On 6/21/2017 a member of the public was traveling along a forest road and found a dead domestic bull within an active USFS livestock allotment. Wolf depredation was suspected and ODFW was contacted. ODFW informed the livestock owner and the adult bull was examined the same day. It was estimated that the bull had died on 6/18/2017.

**Physical evidence of attack by a predator:** None. The intact carcass was examined and no pre-mortem injuries were observed. There was a small amount of evidence to indicate attempted post-mortem scavenging on the left front shoulder.

**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 bull carcass and investigated the surrounding area, but found no evidence of predation. The evidence gathered during this investigation is adequate to determine that the death of the bull was not wolf-related.