

# LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

## California Department of Fish and Wildlife

**Investigation ID:** 061718-PLU

**Date Investigated:** 06/17/18

**General Area:** Northern Plumas County, private land

**General situation and animal information:** A livestock producer reported that he had lost eight calves over a roughly 30 day period. On or around June 15 he discovered two more calf carcasses. He contacted CDFW on June 17. Staff from USDA Wildlife Services investigated the carcasses on the same day.

**Physical evidence of attack by a predator:** Evidence of predation was not observed.

**Evidence that the predator was a wolf:** Evidence of wolf predation was not observed.

**Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury:** There was no evidence of wolf presence in the area near the time the calves were killed.

**Recent wolf depredation in the same or nearby area:** None

**Cause of death/injury:**

Confirmed Wolf

Probable Wolf

Possible/Unknown

Other

**Summary:** The cause of death of both carcasses is unknown. There was evidence of coyotes near the carcasses, but too little of the carcasses remained for determine whether the calves had been killed by a predator.