

LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

California Department of Fish and Wildlife

Investigation ID: 081918-LAS

Date Investigated: 08/19/18

General Area: Western Lassen County, public land

General situation and animal information: On August 18 a calf carcass was found by a livestock producer and reported to CDFW and USDA Wildlife Services. CDFW and WS investigated the carcass and its surroundings on the morning of August 19.

Physical evidence of attack by a predator: No bite marks, scrapes or punctures (or associated hemorrhage) were found on the carcass. No struggle or kill site was observed.

Evidence that the predator was a wolf: None

Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury: There was no evidence of wolves in the immediate vicinity of the carcass. Two days earlier the producer had observed wolf tracks approximately 0.6 miles away from the carcass.

Recent wolf depredation in the same or nearby area: On August 15, Lassen Pack wolves killed a calf approximately 16 miles away.

Cause of death/injury:

Confirmed Wolf

Probable Wolf

Possible/Unknown

Other

Summary. The carcass was in good condition and sufficiently intact to allow for a thorough investigation. This animal was not attacked or killed by a wolf or other predator.