LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 111021-SIS
Date Investigated: 11/10/21
Cause of Death:

☑ Confirmed Wolf
☐ Probable Wolf
☐ Possible Wolf
☐ Non-Wolf Depredation
☐ Non-Depredation
☐ Unknown

General Area: Eastern Siskiyou County, private land.

General situation and animal information: An injured, approximately 80-90 lb. injured calf was found by a livestock producer on November 10. CDFW was notified and investigated that day. The wounds were approximately one week old when discovered.

Physical evidence of wolf predation: The calf had bite wounds on its left rear leg. One large wound was located on its hip, while another was on its thigh. The wounds were in areas typically attacked by wolves.

Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury: OR103’s tracking collar indicated he was present in the area the calf was found from November 3 until November 6.

Summary: The nature and location of the wounds, the presence of OR103 in the area during the estimated time of injury, and the fact that he injured several other calves (and was strongly suspected of injuring a cow) in close spatial and temporal proximity by biting all on the rear legs (incidents 102521-SIS, 110521-SIS, 110721-SIS-2, 110921-SIS) are sufficient to confirm this injury as a wolf depredation.