



## LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

**Investigation ID:** 013022-SIS

**Date Investigated:** 1/30/22

### Cause of Death:

- Confirmed Wolf
- Probable Wolf
- Possible Wolf
- Non-Wolf Depredation (coyote) – 1 calf
- Non-Depredation – 1 calf
- Unknown

**General Area:** Eastern Siskiyou County, private land.

**General situation and animal information:** A cattle producer found the carcasses of two calves (70 lbs. and 120 lbs.) in different pastures on the morning of January 30. CDFW was able to investigate the carcasses that afternoon. Both animals appeared to have died within the prior two days.

**Physical evidence of wolf predation:** No evidence of wolf predation was found.

**Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury:** There was no evidence of wolf presence around the estimated time of death of the calves.

**Summary:** The organs and muscles of the first calf (70 lbs.) were mostly consumed. Small teeth marks were located on the jaw and left front leg with associated subcutaneous hemorrhage, indicating the bites occurred while the animal was alive. The location and size of the teeth marks were consistent with coyote predation. The second calf was fully intact with no feeding. No bite wounds were found on the carcass indicating it had not been predated.