California Department of Fish and Wildlife



LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 110222-SIS-2

Date Investigated: 11/02/2022

Cause of Death:

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

General Area: Eastern Siskiyou County, private land, Whaleback pack area

General situation and animal information: While on a nighttime patrol of pastures to watch for wolves, cattle producer found a two-day-old calf carcass. CDFW and Siskiyou County wildlife specialists investigated the carcass on November 2. There was minimal feeding on the carcass allowing for a thorough investigation.

Physical evidence of wolf predation: None.

Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury: None.

Summary: Evidence indicated that calf died of natural causes and then was fed on by birds and coyotes from the presence of tracks and some feeding on the carcass. There were no tooth marks or subcutaneous muscle hemorrhage.