California Department of Fish and Wildlife



LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 120422-SIS

Date Investigated: 12/04/22

Cause of Death:

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

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

General situation and animal information: A rancher discovered a 150 lb. calf carcass on the morning of December 4 that had died the previous night. CDFW and Siskiyou County investigated the carcass that same day. The carcass was fully consumed, but most of the hide remained and was in sufficient condition to allow for a thorough investigation.

Physical evidence of wolf predation: The hide had external tooth marks of the size and locations matched with subcutaneous hemorrhage, that were consistent with wolf attack.

Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury: The early morning ground was frozen and tracking conditions where poor, however one wolf track was found close to the carcass.

Summary: The size and location of wounds indicated that the calf was killed by wolves.

