



LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 122922-SIS-3

Date Investigated: 12/29/22

Cause of Death:

- 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 the carcass of a 150 lb. calf on the morning of December 27. He did not immediately suspect predation until a few days later after another calf was confirmed to have been killed by wolves on the 29th. CDFW and Siskiyou County staff investigated the carcass on the 29th. The carcass was largely consumed, but enough hide remained for a sufficient but not thorough investigation.

Physical evidence of wolf predation: The hemorrhaging and attack patterns indicated that the calf had died of a predator attack. The size and pattern were suggestive to have been caused by a wolf but there was not enough evidence to confirm.

Evidence of wolf presence near the time of the animal(s) death/injury: Wolf tracks were found in the vicinity of the attack site.

Summary: Evidence indicated that the calf was probably killed by wolves in the early morning of December 27.

