



LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 020723-SIS

Date Investigated: 2/7/23

Cause of Death:

- Confirmed Wolf
- Probable Wolf
- Possible Wolf
- Non-Wolf Depredation – 2 dogs killed 4 goats
- Non-Depredation
- Unknown

General Area: Southern Siskiyou County, private property, undocumented wolf area

General situation and animal information: A rancher found 3 goats killed and 1 goat injured (and euthanized) over a two day period February 6-7. CDFW and Siskiyou County wildlife specialists investigated the carcasses on February 7. There were large canid tracks present and the bite wounds were large and extensive. The nature of the attack appeared consistent with domestic dog, but wolves could not be ruled out. DNA was collected from the carcasses and traps for dogs were set. Two dogs were captured and the DNA analysis revealed domestic dog.

Physical evidence of wolf predation: There was no evidence of wolf predation.

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

Summary: The goats were killed by two dogs belonging to a neighbor.

