California Department of Fish and Wildlife



LIVESTOCK LOSS DETERMINATION

Investigation ID: 062122-SIS

Date Investigated: 6/21/22

Cause of Death:

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

□ Unknown

General Area: Eastern Siskiyou County, private land

General situation and animal information: A cattle producer found an adult cow carcass within the Whaleback pack territory on June 21 and suspected possible wolf depredation. The carcass was investigated by Siskiyou County Wildlife Specialists the same day. The carcass was in sufficient condition to allow a thorough investigation.

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

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

Summary: There carcass had no evidence of premortem bite wounds, indicating it had not been depredated. The wolf tracks near the carcass suggested wolves likely scavenged the carcass.