MONTANA WOLF PROGRAM - WEEKLY REPORT

TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Ken McDonald, Wildlife Bureau Chief

SUBJECT: Wolf Program Activities and Related Information

WEEK OF: April 7 – April 13, 2012

Contributors to the Montana Wolf Weekly are Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP), Universities, USDA Wildlife Services (WS), the National Park Service (NPS; Glacier NP; Yellowstone National Park will be reported in the Wyoming Wolf Weekly), US Forest Service, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes, and the Blackfeet Nation.

PROGRAM UPDATES:

Weekly reports for 2012 will be shown in an additive, running tally fashion. New incidents will be pasted to the bottom of the tables each week.

Montana Annual Wolf Report can be found on the FWP website:

http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/wolf/

To learn more about Montana's wolf population, the Montana program and to help FWP monitor wolves by reporting wolf sign, visit FWP online. http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/management/wolf/

To anonymously report a dead or injured wolf or suspected illegal activity, call: 1-800-TIP-MONT or 1-800-847-6668.

To request an investigation of injured or dead livestock, call USDA Wildlife Services directly in western Montana / Helena area at 406-458-0106 or in eastern Montana at the statewide office at 406-657-6464. Or, call your nearest FWP representative to have your call referred to Wildlife Services.

If you have a confirmed or probable livestock death loss due to wolves, USDA Wildlife Services will supply you with a copy of the Loss Reimbursement Application form. For more information, see http://liv.mt.gov/default.mcpx Or, contact the Livestock Loss Reduction and Mitigation Program Coordinator, George Edwards at the Montana Department of Livestock at 406-444-5609.

WOLF-LIVESTOCK CONFLICTS

North of Niarada (Flathead) Grant (Beaverhead)	Irvine	Cattle 1c	Sheep	Goat/	Horse	Dan		
Niarada (Flathead) Grant		1c		Llama	110100	Dog		
	I I to I to a second						Tribal	Initial response*
	Unknown		1c				Private	Collar 1/Initial response
W of Arlee (Sanders)	Sleeping Woman (CSKT)	1c 2p						Initial response*
Potomac (Missoula)	Union Peak suspected					1	Private	None
W of Dell (Beaverhead)	Four Eyes		4c 4p				Private	Collar 1/Lethal removal up to 4
South of Ulm (Cascade)		2c						Collar 1/Initial response
Harrison (Madison)		1p						None
Lincoln area (Lewis and Clark)	Unknown					1	Private	Remove 1 (only one wolf thought to be involved in incident)
NW of Wolf Creek(Lewis and Clark)	Unknown	1c					Private	Collar 1/Lethal removal of 2
SW of Dillon (Beaverhead)	Jeff Davis Peak	2c					Private	Collar 1/Lethal removal of 2
W of Dell (Beaverhead)	Four Eyes		2c				Private	Renewed: Lethal removal up to 4
SW of Dillon (Beaverhead)	Jeff Davis Peak	1c					Private	Renewed: Lethal removal of 2
SE of Helmville (Powell)	Unnamed	1c					Private	Lethal removal of 2
W of Helmville (Powell)	Garnet	1c					Private	Lethal removal of 3, Landowner shoot on site permit
じくじょびょじょじこくこ ほうじくじきじく	Missoula) V of Dell Beaverhead) South of Ulm Cascade) Harrison Madison) Lincoln area Lewis and Clark) W of Wolf Creek(Lewis and Clark) W of Dillon Beaverhead) V of Dell Beaverhead) W of Dillon Beaverhead) E of Helmville Powell) V of Helmville	Potomac Missoula) V of Dell Beaverhead) South of Ulm Cascade) Harrison Madison) Lincoln area Lewis and Clark) W of Wolf Creek(Lewis Ind Clark) W of Dillon Beaverhead) V of Dell Beaverhead) W of Dillon Beaverhead) SW of Dillon Beaverhead) SE of Helmville Powell) V of Helmville Garnet	Potomac Missoula) V of Dell Beaverhead) South of Ulm Cascade) Harrison Madison) Lincoln area Lewis and Clark) W of Wolf Creek(Lewis Ind Clark) W of Dell Beaverhead) W of Dell Beaverhead) W of Dell Beaverhead) SW of Dillon Beaverhead) SW of Helmville Coarnet	Potomac Missoula) V of Dell Four Eyes 4c 4p Beaverhead) South of Ulm Cascade) Harrison Madison) Incoln area Lewis and Clark) W of Wolf Unknown 1c Creek(Lewis and Clark) W of Dillon Jeff Davis Peak V of Dell Four Eyes 2c Beaverhead) W of Dillon Jeff Davis 1c Beaverhead) SW of Helmville Unnamed 1c V of Helmville Garnet	Potomac Union Peak suspected V of Dell Four Eyes 4c 4p Beaverhead) South of Ulm 2c Cascade) Harrison Ip Madison) Lincoln area Lewis and Clark) W of Wolf Unknown 1c Preek(Lewis and Clark) W of Dillon Jeff Davis Peak V of Dell Four Eyes 2c Beaverhead) W of Dillon Jeff Davis Peak W of Dillon Jeff Davis 1c Beaverhead) SW of Dillon Jeff Davis 1c Beaverhead) SW of Dillon Jeff Davis 1c Beaverhead) SW of Helmville Unnamed 1c Powell) V of Helmville Garnet	Potomac Missoula) Wissoula) Wissoula) Wissoula) Four Eyes Beaverhead) Four Eyes Gouth of Ulm Cascade) Harrison Madison) Incoln area Lewis and Clark) Wiff Wolf Creek(Lewis Ind Clark) Wiff Dillon Beaverhead) Wiff Dell Four Eyes Description Descr	Potomac Missoula) V of Dell Suspected V of Dell Four Eyes South of Ulm Cascade) Harrison Madison) Lincoln area Lewis and Clark) W of Dillon Beaverhead) W of Dillon Jeff Davis Peak V of Dell Four Eyes Beaverhead) W of Dillon Jeff Davis Peak Beaverhead) W of Helmville Unnamed Powell) V of Helmville Garnet	Pototomac Missoula) V of Dell Four Eyes

Date	General Area (County)	Pack Name	(injured	k Type ar livestock ed kills (c)	(i), probabl	Land Type	Authorized Control Action		
			Cattle	Sheep	Goat/ Llama	Horse	Dog		
2012 Running Total*			10c 3p	7c 4p	0	0	2		

^{*}Initial response allows for the removal of any wolves returning to the depredation site.

WOLF CAPTURE, COLLARING, REMOVAL ACTIVITIES

Area (Cour	General	Pack Name	Capture/Collaring				al Removal	Control Action -ongoing/	Other Mortalities
			FMD MO OIL				olves)		
	(County)		FWP (monitoring/ research)	WS	Other (tribal/ incidental)	WS	Landowner	completed	(by cause)
1/12/12	Mt Haggin (Deer Lodge)	Pintler				2		Ongoing (Kill 3/Collar 1 from 12/2/11 cattle depredation incident)	
1/20/12	NW Niarada (Flathead)	Irvine				1		Ongoing	
1/25/12	(Gallatin)	Bear Trap	2						
1/24/12	Bitterroot Valley (Missoula)	One Horse Creek							1 (killed by a lion)
2/1/12	Jefferson Crk - E of Helmville (Powell)			1					
2/6/12	(Sanders)	Garden Crk			2 (CSKT/WS)	mo	(incidental rtalities from T/WS capture effort)		
2/20/12	N of Perma (Sanders)	Cotton- wood			1 (CSKT)		,		
1/24/12	(Flathead)	Dutch							1 (natural cause)
2/15/12	NW Niarada (Flathead)	Irvine				1		Completed	
3/3/12	(Flathead)	Lazy Creek							1 (vehicle)
3/13/12	South of Trego (Lincoln)	Murphy Creek					1		
3/17/12	North of Trego (Lincoln)	Murphy Creek							1 (euthanized due to injury)

Area	General Area	Pack Name	Capture/Collaring				al Removal olves)	Control Action -ongoing/	Other Mortalities
	(County)		FWP (monitoring/ research)	WS	Other (tribal/ incidental)	WS	Landowner	completed	(by cause)
3/22/12	Highway 310 - N of WY border (Carbon)	Unknown							1 (vehicle)
3/23/12	Gardiner Basin (Park)	Quadrant							1 (killed by other wolves in early March)
4/6/12	SE Helmville (Powell)	Unnamed				1		Remove 1 more	
4/3/12	(Lincoln)	Wolf Prairie							1 (train strike)
4/10/12	W of Helmville (Powell)	Garnet		1				Ongoing	
4/9/12	N of Roger's Pass (Lewis and Clark)	Unknown		1				Ongoing (from 3/19 incident NW of Wolf Crk)	
4/10/12	SW of Dillon (Beaver- head)	Jeff Davis Peak		1				Ongoing	
4/13/12	Near Thompson Falls. (Sanders)	Silcox							Unknown
2012 Running Total*			2	4	3	7	1		8 + 45 legal sport harvest

^{*}There is often a lag time between activities and reporting due to ongoing investigations. Running tallies are estimates based on known data at the time of 'wolf weekly' publication and may not match final annual report numbers.