

# Wolf Conservation and Management Update on 2015 Calendar Year

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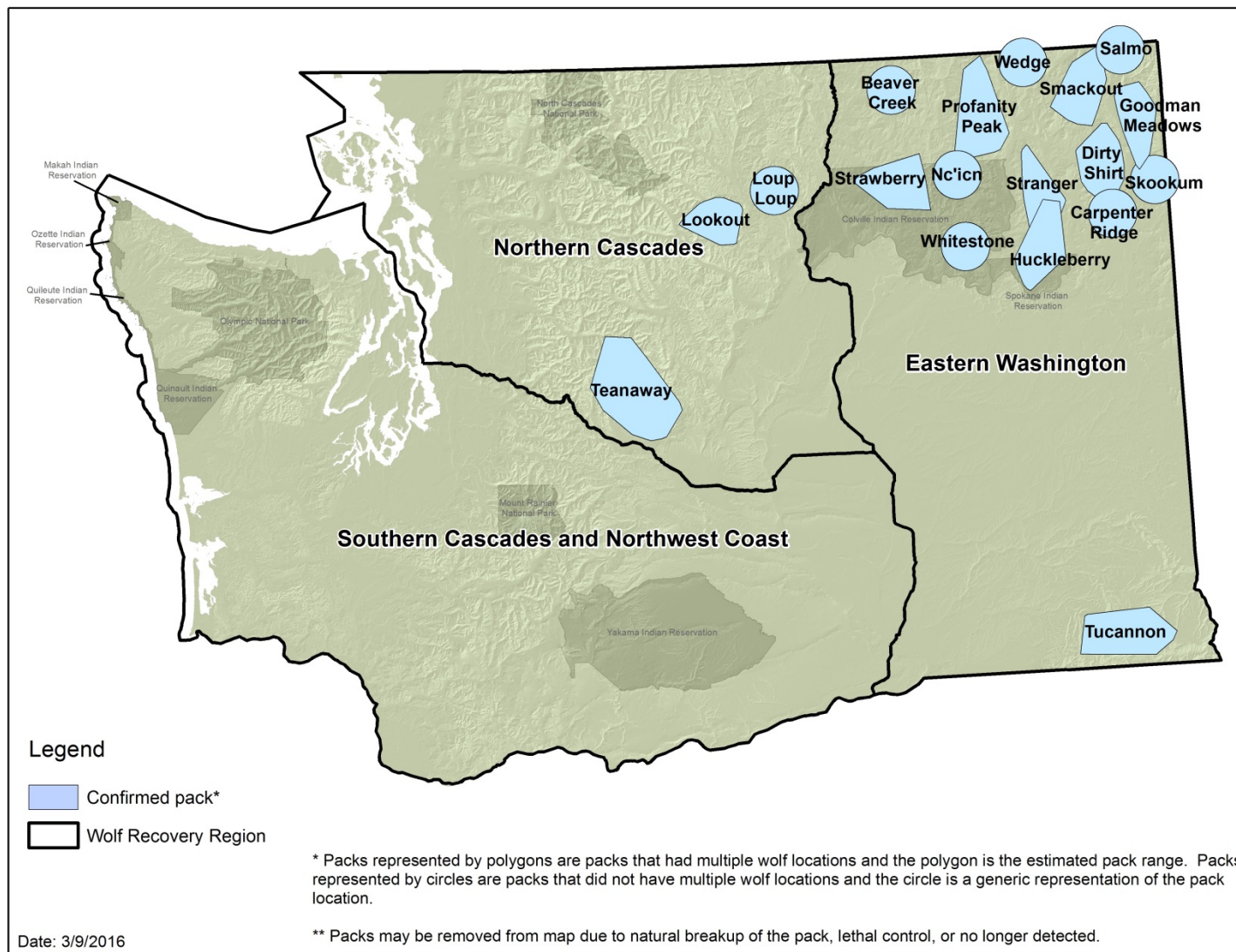


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# Washington's Known Wolf Packs

As of December 31, 2015



# Capture and Monitoring

2015 Calendar Year

- Captured 14 unique wolves
- 9 adults, 2 yearlings, 3 pups
- 12 radio collars deployed
- Monitored 22 unique radio collared wolves (24% of minimum known population) from 13 packs (65% of known packs)
- Monitoring 11 collared wolves at end of calendar year

# Statewide

Recovery Region	Successful Breeding Pair	Min Count	Mortality	Known Dispersal	Depredations
Eastern	7	77	6	0	6
N. Cascades	1	13	1	1	2
S. Cascades/Coastal	0	0	0	0	0
<b>STATEWIDE TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>



# Eastern Washington Recovery Area

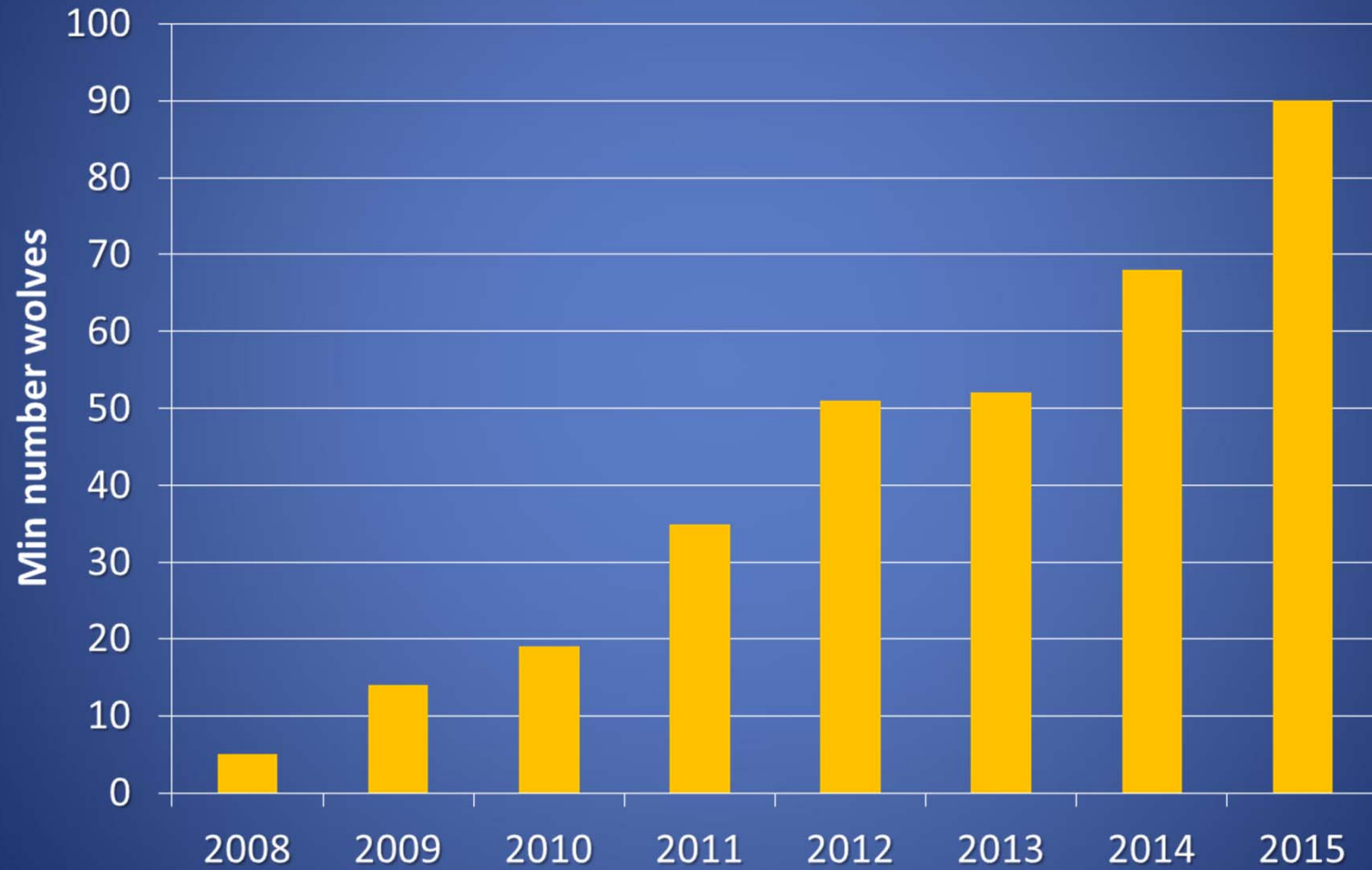
Confirmed Pack	Successful Breeding Pair	Min Count	Mortality	Known Dispersal	Depredations
Beaver Creek	No	2	0	0	0
Carpenter Ridge	No	2	0	0	0
Diamond	--	--	--	--	--
Dirty Shirt	Yes	8	0	0	4
Goodman Meadows	Yes	7	0	0	0
Huckleberry	Yes	5	3	0	0
Nc'icn (CCT)	No	5	1	0	0
Profanity Peak	Yes	7	1	0	0
Salmo	No	3	0	0	0
Skookum	Yes	5	0	0	0
Smackout	Yes	8	0	0	1
Stranger	No	2	0	0	1
Strawberry (CCT)	No	4	0	0	0
Tucannon	Yes	5	0	0	0
Wedge	No	3	0	0	0
Whitestone (CCT)	No	2	0	0	0
Misc/Lone Wolves	No	9	1	0	0
<b>Recovery area total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>

# North Cascades Recovery Area

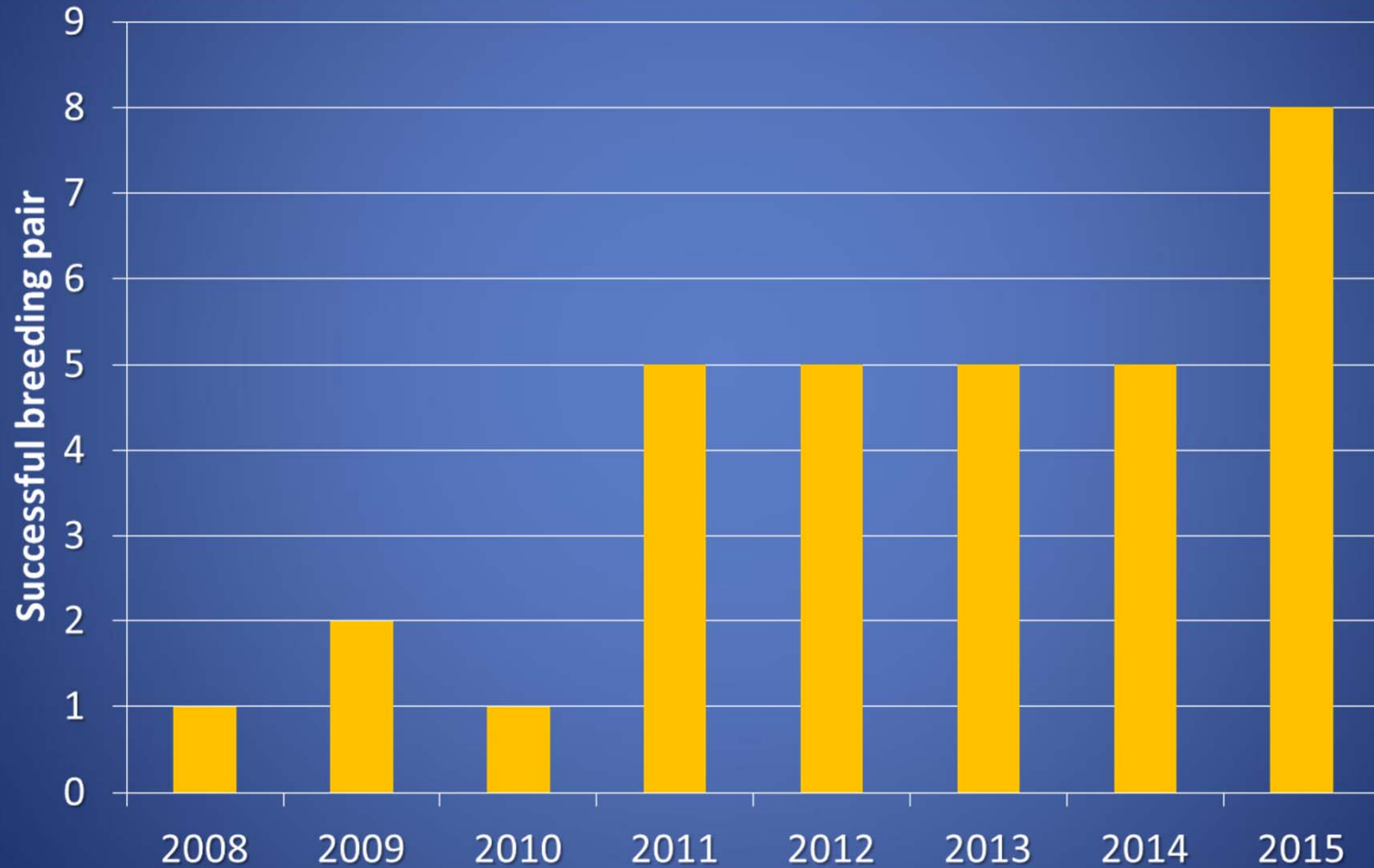
Confirmed Pack	Successful Breeding Pair	Min Count	Mortality	Known Dispersal	Depredations
Lookout	No	3	0	0	0
<u>Loup Loup</u>	Yes	6	0	0	0
Teaway	No	3	0	1	2
Wenatchee	--	--	--	--	--
Misc/Lone Wolves	No	1	1	0	0
<b>Recovery area total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>



# Trend in Minimum Number of Wolves

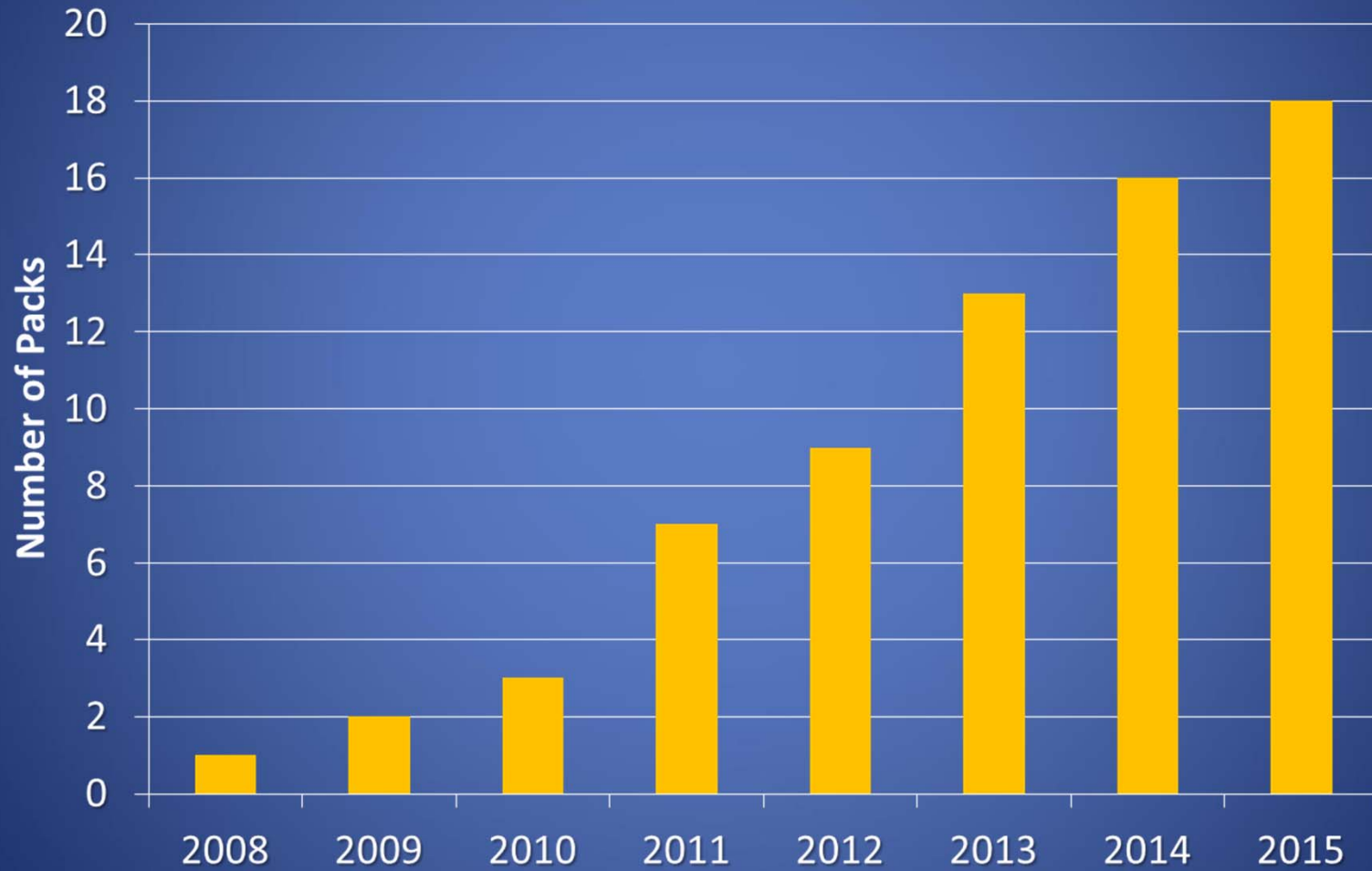


# Trend in Number of Successful Breeding Pairs

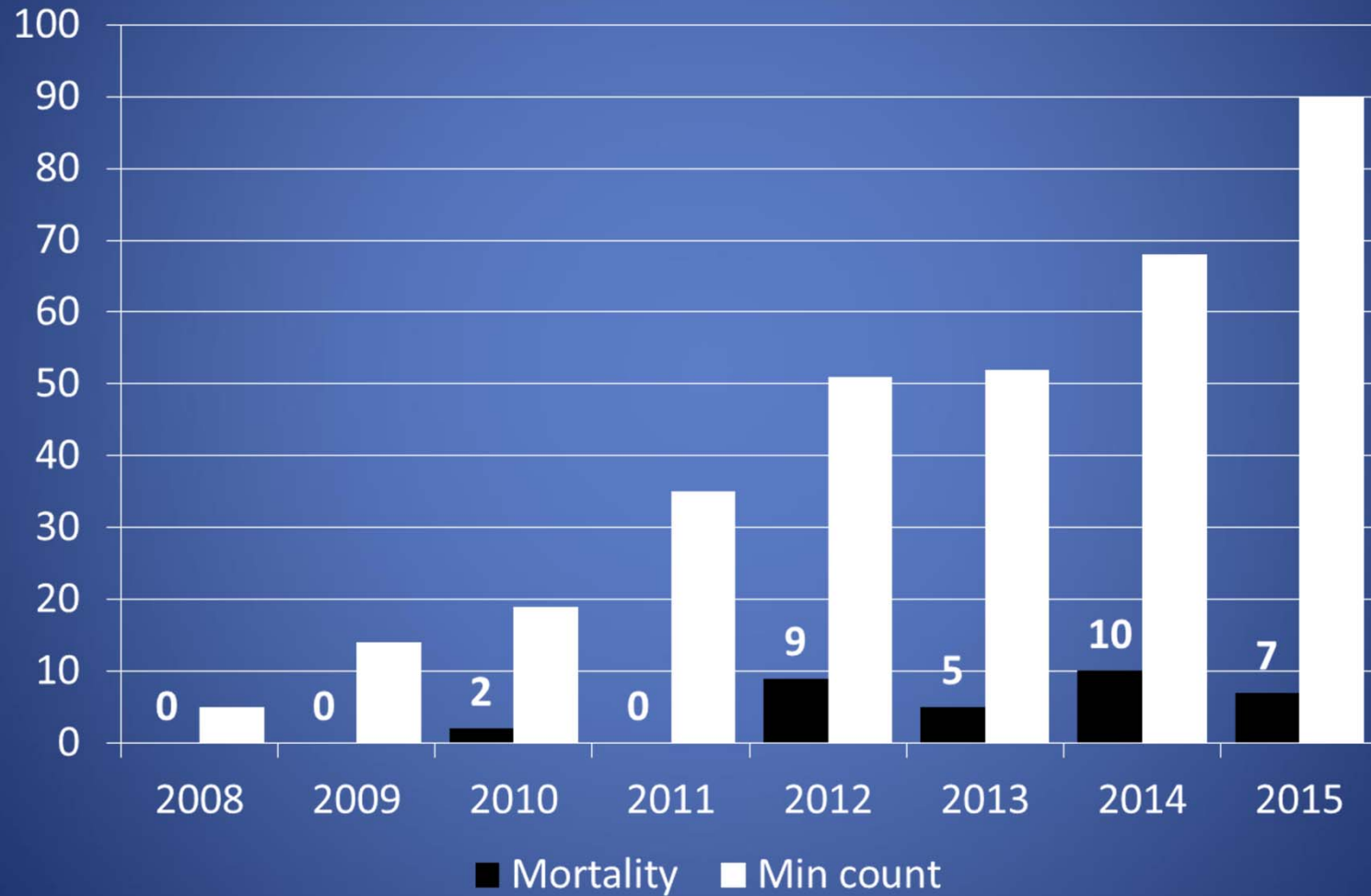




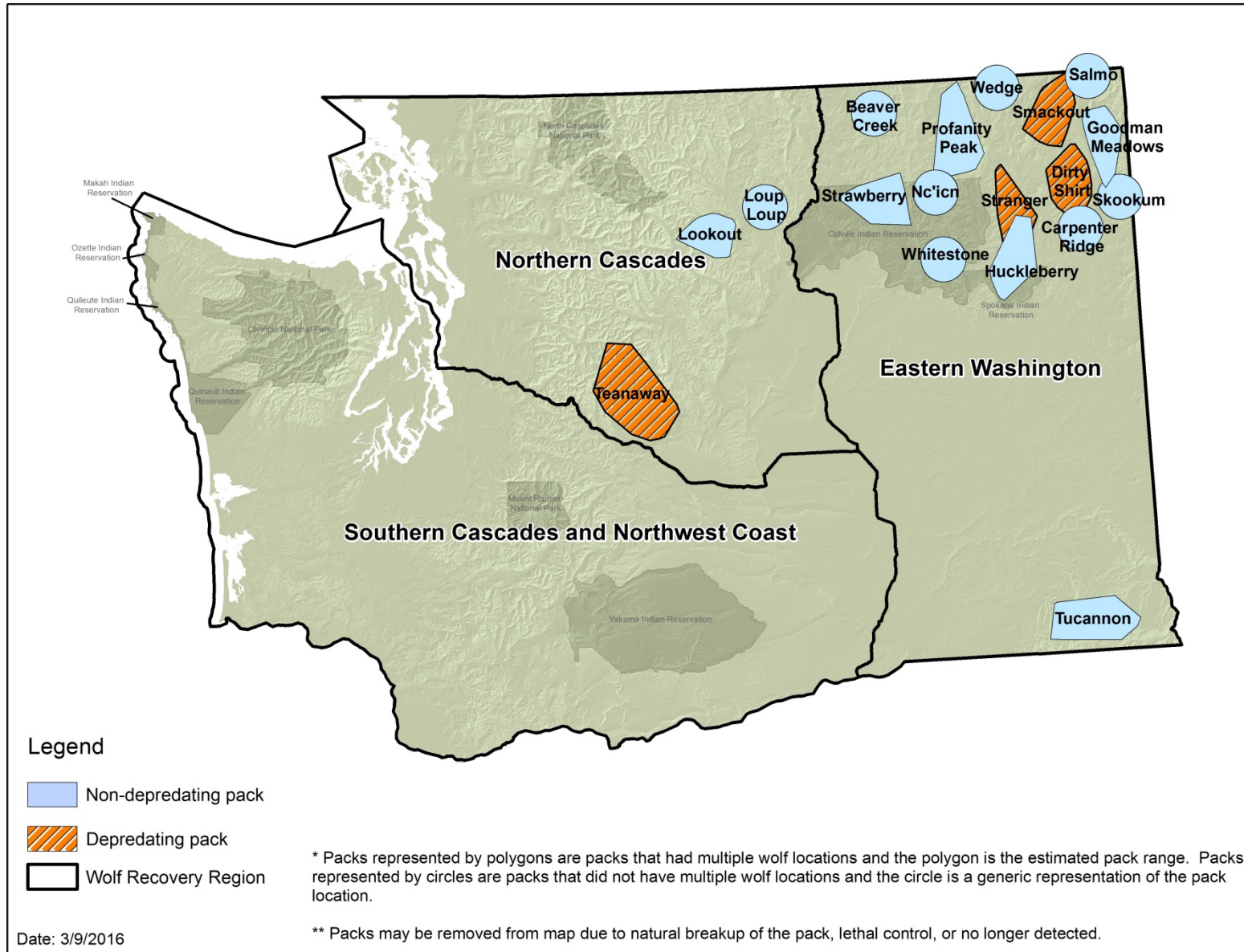
# Trend in Number of Wolf Packs



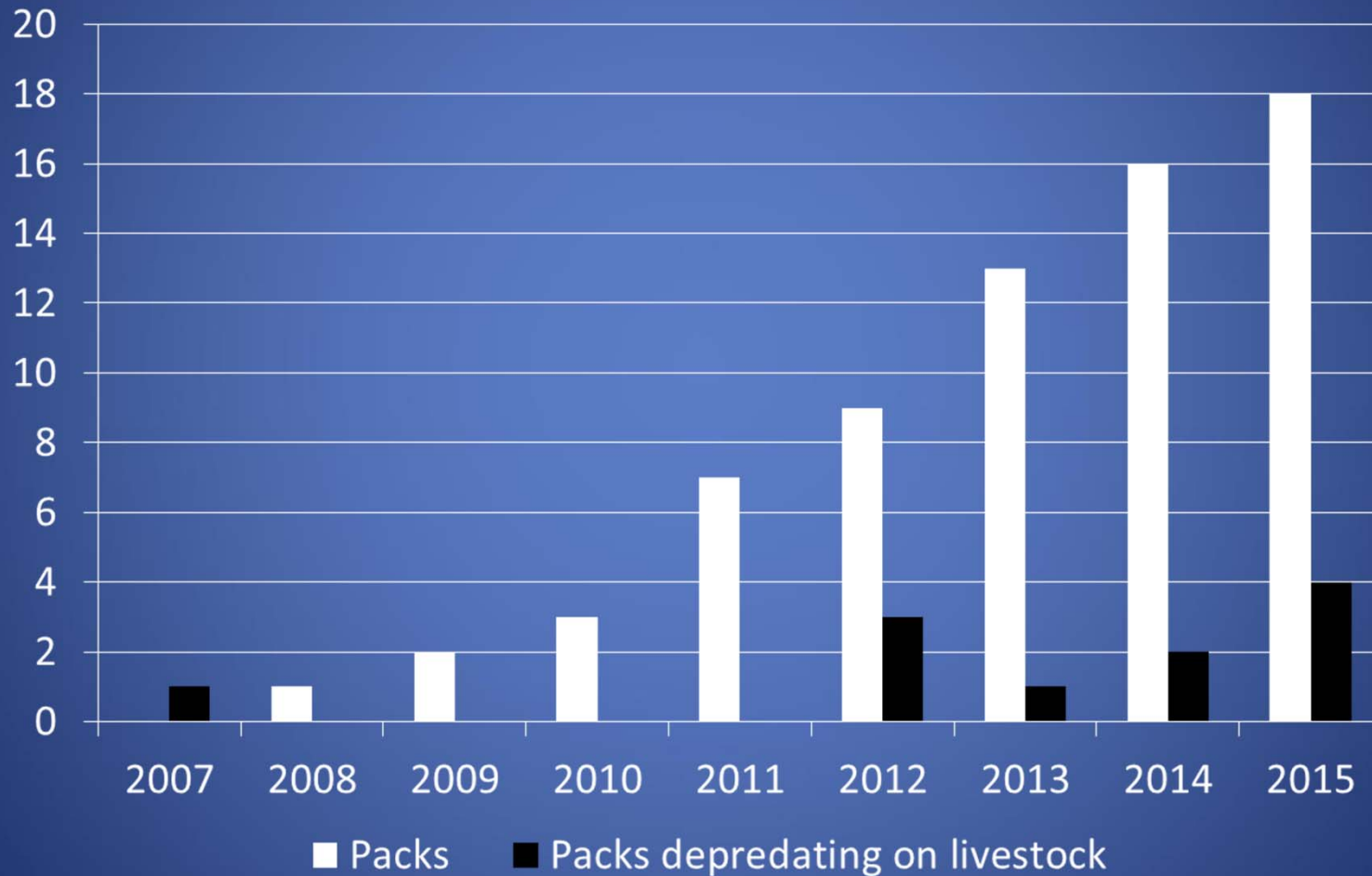
# Known Wolf Mortalities



# Packs Depredating on Livestock in 2015

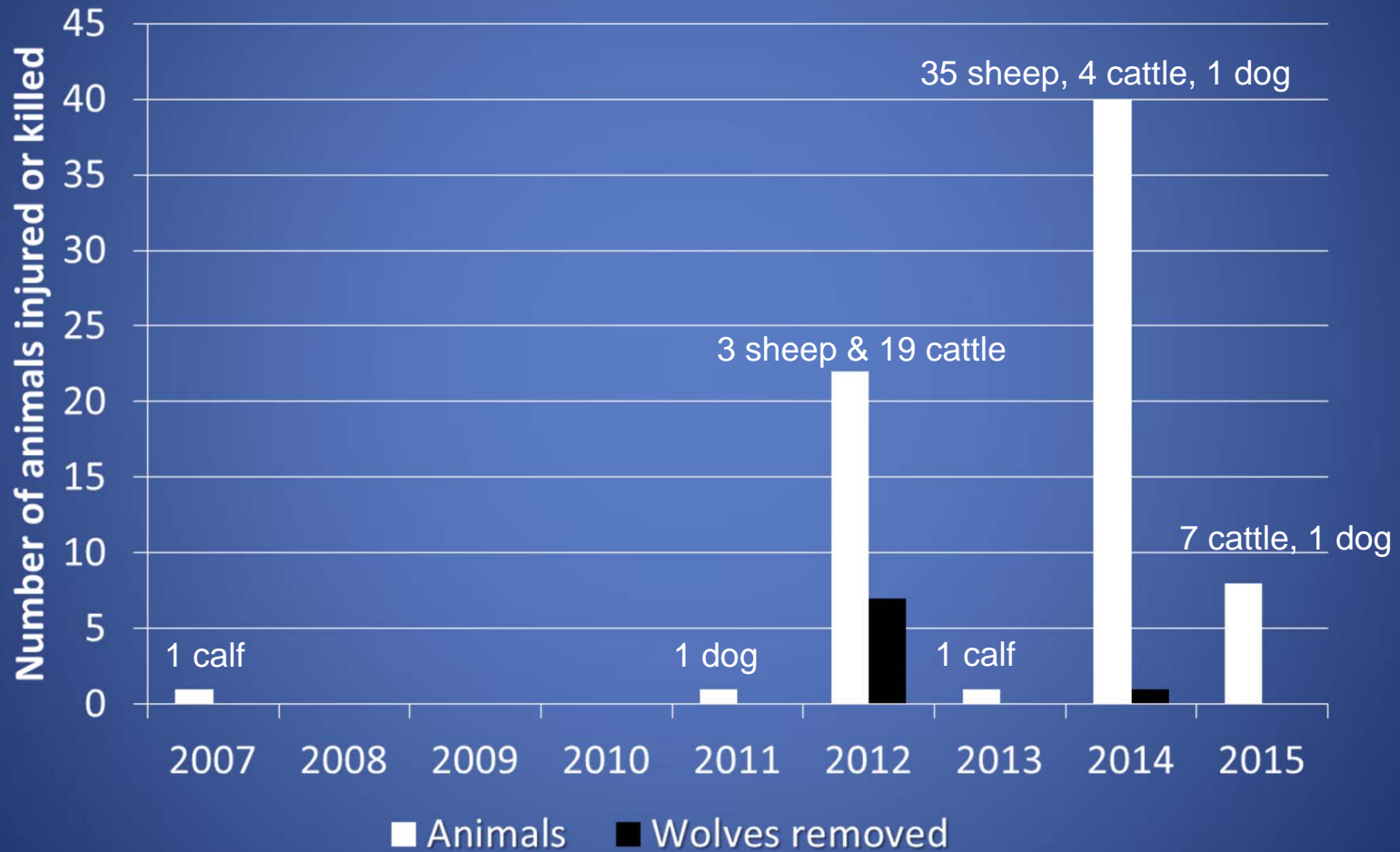


# Packs Depredating on Livestock





# Wolf Depredations in Washington



# Washington Wolf Population Summary

Year	Min count	Known No. Packs	SBP	Growth Rate	Known Wolf Mortality	Depredating packs (%)
2008	5	1	1	--	0	0%
2009	14	2	2	--	0	0%
2010	19	3	1	36%	2	0%
2011	35	7	5	84%	0	0%
2012	51	9	5	46%	9	33%
2013	52	13	5	2%	5	8%
2014	68	16	5	31%	10	13%
2015	90	18	8	32%	7	22%
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# For More Information

## Website

[http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/gray\\_wolf/](http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/gray_wolf/)

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