

Beaver Creek Pack

Latest Revision Date: June 27, 2016

1. Pack Information

2015 minimum number of wolves: Two individuals confirmed at the end of 2015.

Number of radioed individuals and type of collar: None

Summer trapping plans: There are no trapping plans at this time. Trapping may occur in late summer/fall if WDFW staff discovers concentrated areas of wolf activity.

General denning area known (yes/no): No.

2. Wolf-Livestock Conflict

Pack's conflict history: No known conflicts.

Knowledge of allotments/producers/grazing practices in area: Pack territory is undefined. The general area is a combination of federal, state, and private grazing leases. There are at least 12 cattle producers in the area where the most recent wolf sightings and sign have been reported.

Outreach with producers (leading up to turn out; plans for check-ins throughout summer): Conflict Specialist regularly contacts range rider working in the area and speaks with producers as wolf information becomes available. Coordination with interested producers is occurring. Outreach efforts will be ongoing as WDFW staff learns more about this pack.

Number of Damage Prevention Cooperative Agreements with livestock producers: None.

Status of formal data sharing agreements with producers/counties: There are no collared wolves in this pack. If radio collar locations become available, the Conflict Specialist will discuss data sharing agreements with affected livestock producers.

Plans for verbal communication of wolf locations to area producers: When radio collar locations are available through the data sharing agreement, producers and range riders are responsible for monitoring wolf locations. The Conflict Specialist monitors collar data daily/weekly and appropriate producers will be notified of pertinent activity by telephone during the blackout period. Conflict Specialist notifies producers of verified wolf sightings.

Approaches for sanitation: The importance of, and options for, sanitation is discussed with livestock producers and range riders. Emphasis is placed on range riders to look for carcasses. Fladry is available for loan from WDFW if a livestock producer needs to encircle a carcass until it can be permanently removed.

Range rider/human presence: A WDFW contracted range rider works cooperatively with producers to monitor livestock. However, the contracted range rider may assist range riders hired through damage prevention cooperative agreements with monitoring livestock, in a different wolf pack territory, if a conflict transpires.

Outreach to producers on WDFW lands: The Beaver Creek Pack does not currently use WDFW lands with grazing leases.

Any other items of interest/awareness: None