

SALMO PACK

Latest Revision Date: August 19, 2016.

1. Pack Information

2015 minimum number of wolves: Three animals.

Number of collared individuals: There are no active collars in the Salmo Pack at this time.

Summer trapping plans: Trapping and collaring efforts will be initiated if areas of high wolf activity are located.

General denning area known (yes/no): None at this time.

2. Wolf-Livestock Conflict

Conflict history: Minimal to none. Pack members were found feeding on a livestock producer's bone pile in 2014, but the landowner addressed that situation.

Knowledge of allotments/producers/grazing practices in area: While there are some small farms with limited numbers of livestock, they have not experienced any problems with wolves. There is one producer with Scottish Highlanders on open range, but he recently indicated he was planning to sell his livestock.

Outreach with producers (leading up to turn out; plans for check-ins throughout summer): No current plans, but will be addressed as needed.

Number of Damage Prevention Cooperative Agreements with livestock producers: With no major livestock producers, there has not been any interest in developing a formal agreement. However, we have provided advice to a couple of local landowners with livestock.

Number of data sharing agreements with producers/counties: Pend Oreille County has a data-sharing agreement with the Department, but none are needed with producers at this time.

Plans for verbal communication of wolf locations to area producers: No current plans, but will be addressed as needed.

Approaches for sanitation: Will be addressed when and if necessary.

Range rider/human presence: Not necessary at this time.

Outreach to producers on WDFW lands: Will be conducted as needed.

Other items of interest/awareness:

- There are two federally listed large mammals in this area, grizzly bears and potentially caribou.
 - The Selkirk caribou herd has dwindled in recent years. These caribou are known to sometimes roam into northeast Washington from British Columbia and Idaho. British Columbia has implemented wolf-control measures to address caribou depredation. Currently, the Salmo Pack does not appear to overlap often with these caribou. Salmo Pack has not been implicated in depredating on the herd at this time. The priority for placing a better-functioning collar may increase if that situation changes.