

Young male wolf found dead in Oregon near Mount Hood

■ Wolf one of first to stay near mountain

The Associated Press

PORTLAND — A wolf that might have been injured when it was captured and fitted with a radio collar was found dead near Mount Hood in northern Oregon, wildlife officials said.

The young male wolf found in November was one of only a few wolves that have taken up residence again near the volcanic mountain, The Oregonian/OregonLive reported Monday.

A necropsy found the

wolf was not poisoned or shot, said Elizabeth Matera, a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service spokeswoman. The animal's cause of death was unknown, but it had an injury to its front paw that possibly occurred when it was captured, she said.

The federal agency over-

sees wolf management in most of western Oregon.

The first wolves were sighted in early 2018 in this area of the northern Cascades Mountains. Images from a trail camera near Mount Hood last summer showed the returning wolves had produced a litter of at least two. The wolf

that recently died was not thought to be the breeding male, wildlife officials said.

Officials estimate that at least 124 wolves live in Oregon, mostly in the northeastern part of the state.

The state Department of Fish and Wildlife manages wolves in the eastern

part of the state where the animals are listed as endangered. The state wildlife commission is set to vote a management plan in March.

Environmental groups withdrew last month from negotiations on the plan, saying their proposals had not been fairly considered.

OREGON IN BRIEF

From wire reports

Police investigate suspicious death near Portland bridge

PORTLAND — Authorities are investigating after finding a man's body on a concrete landing near the Morrison Bridge in Portland.

The Portland Police Bureau says officers responded Tuesday afternoon to a report that a man had been found dead near one of the bridge's east pillars.

Members of the Detective Division's Homicide Detail and Criminalists with the Forensic Evidence Division responded after officers noted the death could be suspicious.

An autopsy will be conducted tomorrow by the State Medical Examiner

to determine the cause of death.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Anthony Merrill at 503-823-4033.

Mom of woman who tumbled from car jail time for DUII

PORTLAND — The mother of a 27-year-old woman who investigators believe died after she tumbled out of her mother's moving car has been sentenced to five days in jail.

The Oregonian/OregonLive reports 50-year-old Jennifer Weathers pleaded guilty Tuesday to driving under the influence of intoxicants on Aug. 18 when her daughter Meighan Cordie died.

Cordie's body was found

several days later down an embankment by the side of a rural Yamhill County road.

Prosecutors say they were headed home from a wedding when the women argued about leaving the party and Cordie somehow exited the vehicle.

Weathers didn't face homicide charges after Yamhill County District Attorney Brad Berry said an investigation came up with insufficient evidence.

The state medical examiner's office ruled Cordie's death was accidental.

A charge that Weathers recklessly endangered her 3-year-old granddaughter was dismissed as part of the plea deal.

— AP reports

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As for "The Old Man and the Sea," he's satisfied with having finally followed through on a half-century-old promise to his friend, and he's pleased with how it turned out.

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