

Smackout pack, once targeted by WDFW, kills cow

Wolves had been target of culling

By DON JENKINS
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The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife confirmed Oct. 9 that the Smackout wolfpack killed a cow on private land in Stevens County, about two weeks after the department said it was hopeful the pack's appetite for cattle had been curbed.

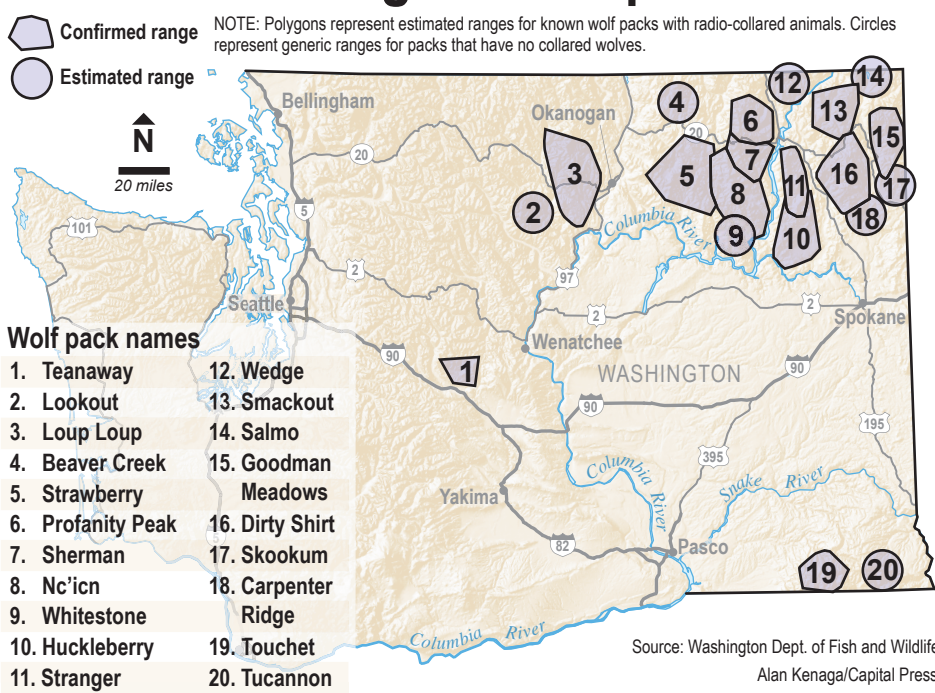
The department, which killed two wolves in the pack in July, won't consider restarting the lethal-removal operation unless the pack attacks one more time, crossing a threshold set by department policy.

"It's hard to say whether it's an isolated case. We'll have to see what the next month has in store," WDFW wolf policy coordinator Donny Martorello said Monday. "It's a very dynamic system. It's a very wild system, and you never know what's going to happen next."

WDFW reported the depredation Friday in a weekly roundup of wolf activities in the state. The department originally reported the cow was killed in the Colville National Forest, but later corrected the location.

The attack was the first confirmed depredation by the pack since July 22 and the third in less than three months, according to WDFW. The department

Known Washington wolf packs (As of Dec. 2016)



will consider culling a pack after four depredations within 10 months or three depredations within 30 days.

The pack met the threshold in July, and WDFW trapped and euthanized two wolves. Two months passed without another depredation, and WDFW declared the operation over on Sept. 26. The department had hoped its new policy of intervening sooner once depredations started but shooting fewer wolves had worked.

The Smackout pack, however, remains one of the larger of the state's 20 wolfpacks, with about a dozen wolves. The pack's youngest members are now old

enough to travel more widely than earlier in the year.

Stevens County rancher Justin Hedrick said Monday that he did not believe WDFW's incremental approach to culling the pack would stop depredations.

"The department's evaluation period ended, but so what?" he said. "When the numbers get so dang high, they kill the game and run the rest of the game out, and it's still a lot of protein they have to have every day."

The cow killed by the Smackout pack this month belonged to another rancher. The Smackout pack has attacked cattle from at least three producers over the past

year, according to WDFW.

Hedrick said his family's operation has lost at least 10 cows to wolves this year, though the number could rise as the ranch tries to bring in cattle from grazing allotments, he said.

The grazing season in the national forest ends this month, but the wolves will still endanger cows on private land, Hedrick said.

"They just follow the cattle," he said. "The grazing season is never over for cattlemen."

Martorello agreed the department and ranchers will have to continue guarding against conflicts between livestock and wolves.

Phelan hired to lead Oregon Aglink

By ERIC MORTENSON
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Mallory Phelan is the new executive director of Oregon Aglink, the Portland-based nonprofit that attempts to bridge the urban-rural divide with educational programs and advocacy.

Phelan was interim director following the departure of Geoff Horning, who left this past summer to take the top executive job at Oregon Hazelnut Industries. Phelan was offered the job after a national search and accepted the position Oct. 17, according to an Oregon AgLink news release.

Phelan, 30, said she is honored and excited to be picked for the job.

She said existing programs will be continued, with the upcoming "Denim and Diamonds" dinner and auction in Portland being at the forefront of the organization's work.

But Phelan said she wants to dive into more strategic planning. She said Oregon Aglink should become more of a presence in agriculture across the state.

"We're heavy in the (Willamette) valley," she said. "We want to expand."

She said there are "farmers and ranchers down in the Klamath Basin, out in Ione, in the Umatilla Basin," for example, who want to be part of the "Adopt a Farmer" program. It connects middle school science classes with farms and ranches for field trips and other presentation.

Phelan said a number of producers are especially interested in linking with students in the Portland metro area.

Phelan also said Oregon



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Mallory Phelan has been named the new executive director of Oregon Aglink.

Aglink will look for more "strategic partnerships" with other organizations. Her group has done two joint programs with the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry, OMSI, in Portland. OMSI has "such a great base" because of its programs for students in the metro area, she said.

Oregon Aglink wants to increase its membership, Phelan said, and offers a discount rate on workers' compensation premiums.

Jeff Freeman, president of the Board of Directors at Oregon Aglink, said Phelan showed "great execution in her previous management role." In a prepared statement, Freeman said Phelan's "authentic voice and enthusiasm for agriculture are her greatest assets."

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