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**Wolf Depredation Control
Semi-annual Activity Report
July 1, 2021 – November 30, 2021**

The information below summarizes actions and expenditures for wolf control in Idaho during the period July 1, 2021 – November 30, 2021 conducted under a work and financial cooperative agreement between the Idaho Department of Fish and Game and the Idaho Wolf Depredation Control Board (WDCB). The stated objective of the agreement is: “To implement an integrated wildlife management program for the protection of elk from unacceptable levels gray wolf predation in elk management zones with approved predation management plans and where ungulate populations are below objective and for addressing wolf/landowner conflicts where they are occurring on a chronic basis.”

To facilitate efficient and effective wolf removals, we will use aerial capture to collar 2-4 wolves in the Lolo Elk Zone and potentially in the adjacent GMUs, 7 and 9. Capture/collar activities and removal are scheduled to begin in January 2022. Additionally, we will work with the non-profit, Foundation For Wildlife Management (F4WM) to implement our cooperative agreement with them to pay up to \$200,000 as cost-share on the reimbursement of hunters and trappers for costs incurred during the legal harvest of wolves. Fish and Game provided F4WM a prioritized list of GMUs for which we will cost-share on expense reimbursement.

Expenditures through November 30, 2021 associated with the implementation of our planned FY22 wolf removal activities are presented in Table 1. Expenditures are for the purchase of helicopter fuel and a fuel filter for the fuel trailer that will be used for wolf capture/collar and removal activities. Expenditures also include a payment to F4WM to reimbursement them for our cost-share portion of hunter and trapper reimbursement for expenses incurred during wolf harvest.

Table 1. IDFG FY22 expenditure for wolf depredation control activities to-date.

Expenditures		
Cooperative Agreement		\$108,750.00
Supplies/Equipment		\$ 2,857.72
	Total	\$111,607.72

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