



**Wheeler County Wolf Depredation
Compensation Committee**

Featuring Non-Lethal Deterrents for
Interactions with Humans, Pets and
Livestock



What is the Wheeler County Wolf
Depredation Compensation
Committee?

What does the Committee do for
Wheeler County?

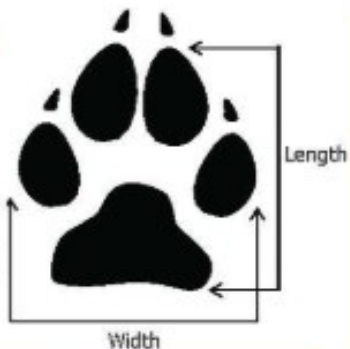
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PO Box 447
Fossil, OR 97830

Addressee

Wolf Tracks

Track Identification:

- claws evident
- general oval shape
- track is longer than wide
- 4 toes, symmetrical
- single lobe on the front of the main foot pad

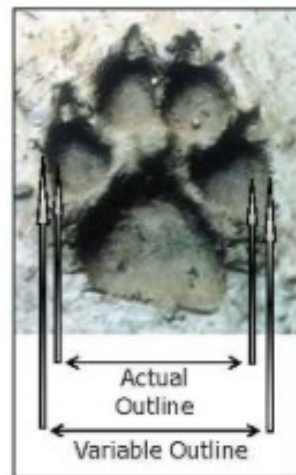


Wolf Front (without claws)

- length: 3.8-4.6" ■ width: 3.3-4.3"

Wolf Hind (without claws)

- length: 3.4-4.2" ■ width: 2.8-3.8"



Measuring Tracks:

- measure the actual outline (inches)
- report length by width
- do not include claws
- measure several tracks

NOTE:

Take into account the substrate. Soft mud or melted snow may make the foot size appear larger than it really is. Attempt to record the actual outline by measuring the bottom of the track.



Report all wolf activity online at:

[Http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wolves/](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wolves/)

Wolf Facts

There are 124 known wolves in Oregon

As of this date, Wheeler County does not have a known breeding paid residing in the county.

Counties with the largest number of wolves are Baker, Grant, Jackson, Klamath, Lake, Union and Wallowa County.

In 2017 block grant monies spent on livestock losses were \$15,227 and \$198,481 was used for prevention.

Non-lethal and effective tools to protect livestock include fencing, range riders, noise makers, specialized flagging, inflatable devices, and non-lethal chemical deterrents.

One of the best guard dogs for protecting livestock is the Great Pyrenees.

For more information on the committee visit the Wheeler County website at:

www.wheelercountyoregon.com/wheeler-county-predator--pest-control

Contacts for Wolf Sightings/Issues:

ODF&W During normal business hours

Heppner: 541-676-5230

Wheeler County Sheriff's Office:
541-763-4101

IF ATTACKED OR BITTEN CALL 9-1-1

The Wheeler County Wolf Depredation Compensation Committee is made up of residents of Wheeler County who have volunteered to serve as an advisory group to the owners of livestock. As an Advisory Committee we provide direct assistance to livestock owners to:

1. Request compensation for the loss or injury to livestock or working dogs due to wolf depredation, and;
2. Provide direct financial assistance to persons who implement livestock management techniques or non-lethal methods to deter and discourage wolf depredation of livestock.

The committee serves in an oversight role to serve livestock owners . The committee consists of two members from the pro-wolf or wolf-neutral position, two members who are livestock owners, two members who represent local businesses, and one County Court member. Funding to compensate for the loss of livestock or to implement non-lethal techniques is funded by grant monies through the Oregon Department of Agriculture.

Persons who experience a loss due to wolf depredation must report their loss immediately to the contact numbers provided in this brochure. Wolf sightings should be reported as soon as possible. Include the time and place of the sighting when making your report to ODF&W.

The Wheeler County Wolf Depredation Compensation Committee can provide assistance when filing claims for compensation and make recommendations when implementing non-lethal tools and techniques. Residents of Wheeler County are encouraged to contact our committee for more information and to address any questions you may have.