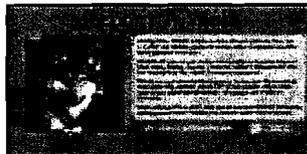


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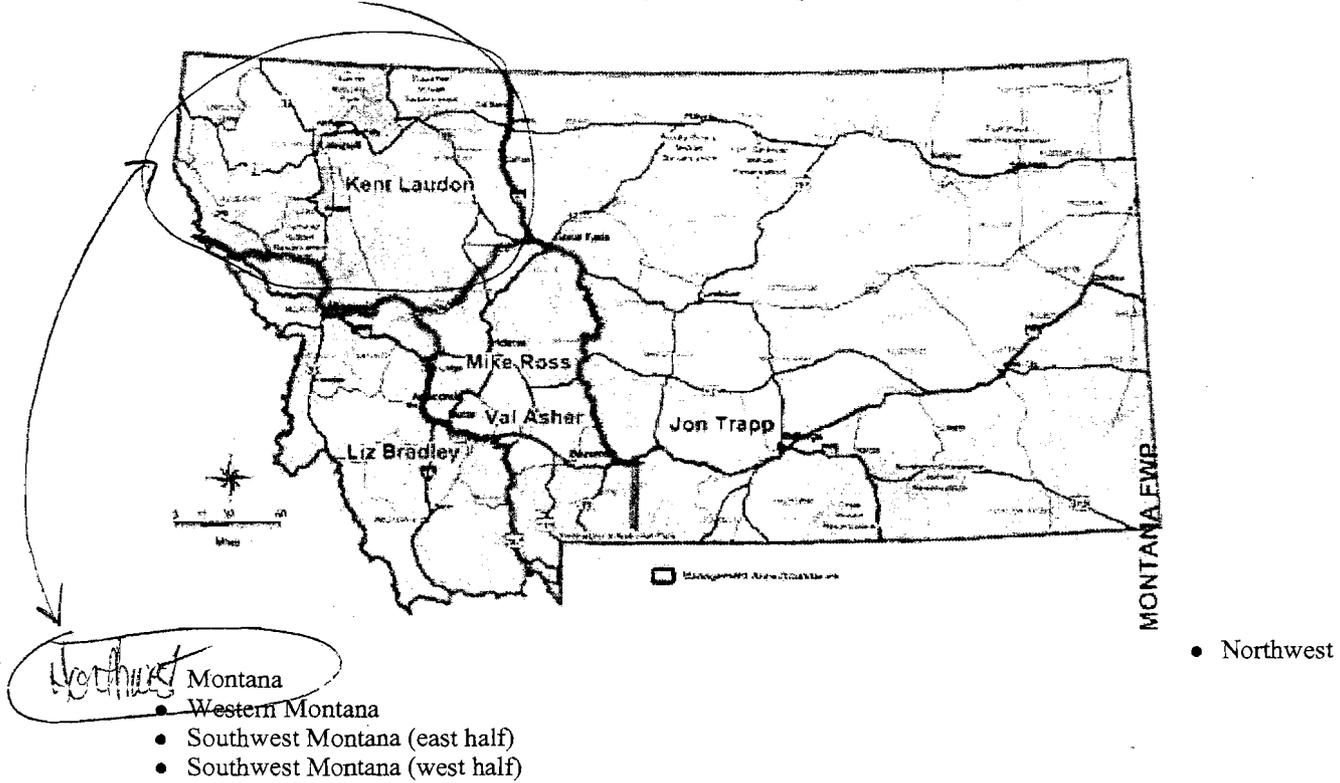


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Wolf Monitoring Flight – Northwest Montana

DATE: 4/27/06

Kintla: 255 was located in the Kintla Ck drainage.

Kintla disperser: 263 was located in the St Clair Ck drainage.

Spotted Bear: Could not be located

Whitefish: 389 was located in the Anaconda Ck drainage.

Wolf Monitoring Flight – Northwest Montana

DATE: 4/25/06

Candy Mountain: 351 was located in the Yaak River drainage.

Fishtrap: 266 and 270 were located together in the McGinnis Ck drainage. Visual 2 black/gray.1 black.

Hog Heaven: 286 was located in the Pilgrim Ck drainage. Visual 1 gray.

Kintla disperser: Not Located

Kootenai North: Not Located on the US side of the border.

Kootenai South: NW034M and NW036F located ~ 1 mile apart in the Sullivan Ck drainage

Lazy Creek: 261 was located in the Middle Fork Lazy Ck drainage and NW026M was located in the Stillwater R drainage.

Murphy Lake: NW022M could not be located

Wolf Prairie: 330 could not be located

Wolf Monitoring Flight – Northwest Montana

DATE: 3/17/06

The purpose of this flight was to concentrate on missing wolves in areas adjacent to packs with missing collars and areas that are seldom monitored in NW MT. Of particular interest was missing or suspected missing wolves, NW030F (Candy Mountain, 330 (Wolf Prairie), 326 (Fishtrap). The flight path covered Pleasant Valley, to in and around the Wolf Prairie homerange, to the Fisher River, up Silver Butte Creek, down the Clark Fork to the Idaho Border, up the Bull River, down the Kootenai River, up the Moyie River (Idaho), up the Yaak, down the S Fk Yaak, through Garden Ridge, down the east side of Kooconusa, up Wolf Creek, and back through Pleasant Valley to Kalispell. No missing wolves were picked up.

Candy Mountain: 351, signal check – active in the Hensley Mountain area. NW030F was not located.

Wolf Prairie: 330 was not located.

Besides NW030F and 330, as noted above, it appears that we may also be missing NW022M (Murphy Lake) and NW041M (Spotted Bear).

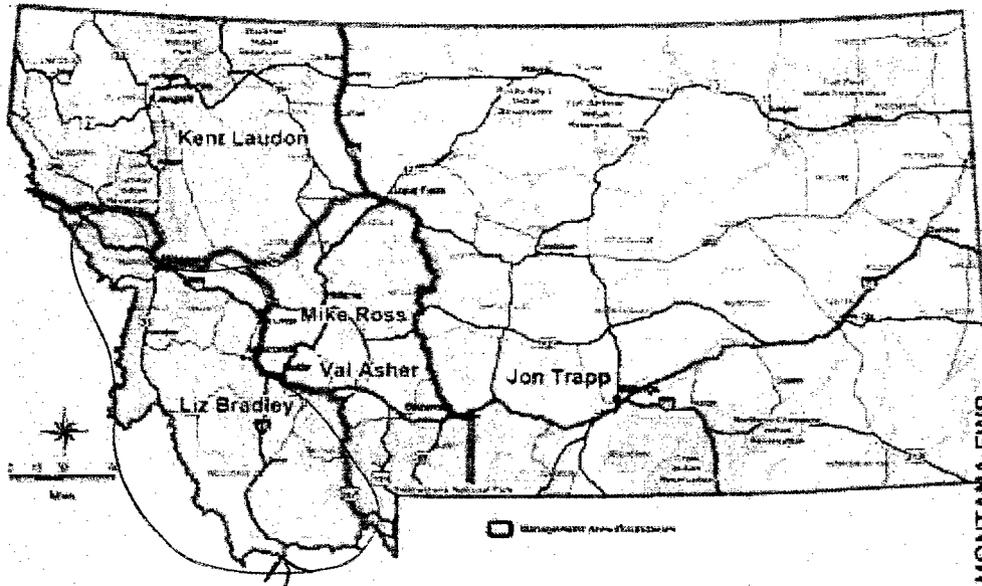
Wolf Monitoring Flight – Northwest Montana

DATE: 3/11/06

Spotted Bear: NW041M could not be located. We covered the South Fork Flathead from the southern half of the Hungry Horse Reservoir to Big Prairie, to Brushy Park in the North Fork White River, Shafer Meadows, and Marias Pass. We searched NW041M extensively and all NW MT missing frequencies. No signals were detected. NW041M has not been located now in three consecutive flights.

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Wolf Monitoring Flight - Western Montana

5/9 – 5/10/06:

Sula (Bitterroot Valley):

SW20 in Warm Springs Creek. Visual 1 black.

Sapphire (Sapphire Range):

SW45 in Ross' Fork of Rock Creek. Visual 1 black.

Willow Creek (Phillipsburg area):

B142 SW of lower Willow reservoir. No visual.

Ninemile (northwest of Missoula):

NW56 in Josephine Creek area. No visual.

NW61 near Lookout Mtn. No visual.

Big Hole (Lolo Pass):

B151 in S. Fork of Lolo Creek. No visual.

Brooks Creek (Bitterroot Valley):

SW17 in Fred Burr Creek. No visual.

Fish Creek (w. of Missoula):

B235 and B236 near Little Moose Ridge, Idaho.

B213 (Lolo Pass area):

B213 in Moose Creek, Idaho.

Wolf Monitoring Flight - Western Montana

4/25 – 4/26/06:

Sula (Bitterroot Valley):

SW20 in Gilbert Creek area. Visual 1 gray.

Sapphire (Sapphire Range):

SW45 in Ross' Fork of Rock Creek. No visual.

Willow Creek (Phillipsburg area):

B142 near Silver King ridge. No visual.

Ninemile (northwest of Missoula):

NW56 and NW61 in Butler Creek area. No visual.

Big Hole (Lolo Pass):

B151 in S. Fork of Lolo Creek. No visual.

Brooks Creek (Bitterroot Valley):

SW17 in White Sand Creek, Idaho. No visual.

Fish Creek (W. of Missoula):

B235 near Kelly's Thumb, Idaho. No visual.

B236 in Howard Creek, Montana. No visual.

Wolf Monitoring Flight - Western Montana

4/14 – 4/19/06:

Sula (Bitterroot Valley):

SW20 in Warm Springs Creek. Visual 2 black.

Sapphire (Sapphire Range):

SW45 in middle fork Rock Creek. Visual 9+ wolves (1 gray, 8 black).

Willow Creek (Phillipsburg area):

B142 near lower Willow reservoir. No visual.

Ninemile (northwest of Missoula):

NW56 in Butler Creek area. No visual.

NW61 in Marion Creek area. No visual.

Big Hole (Lolo Pass):

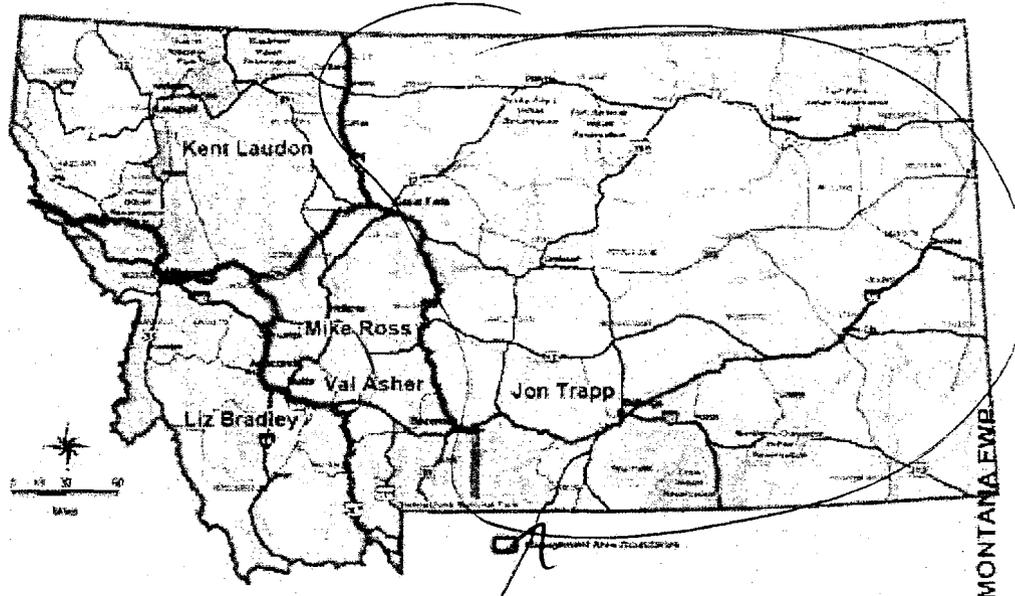
B151 in S. Fork of Lolo Creek. No visual.

Brooks Creek (Bitterroot Valley):

SW17 in Colt Killed Creek, Idaho. No visual.

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Wolf Monitoring Flight – Southwest Montana, east half

East of Livingston

DATE: 5-5-06

Moccasin Lake (General area: Stillwater/East Boulder):
242F and 473M were north of Boone Mountain. Visual on one.

Mission Creek (General area: West Boulder-North):
457F was near the headwaters of Locke Creek, visual on one. SW28M was NW of Mount Greeley, no visual.

Baker Mountain – (General area: Main Boulder/West Boulder-South):
SW57F was NNE of Baker Mountain. No visual.

Wolf Monitoring Flight – Southwest Montana, east half

East of Livingston

DATE: 4-20-06

Moccasin Lake (General area: Stillwater/East Boulder):

242F was north of Boone Mountain. 473M was several miles NW of 242F. No visual.

Mission Creek (General area: West Boulder-North):

457F, SW28, and one uncollared wolf were NNW of Mount Greeley, near Locke Creek. Visual on three.

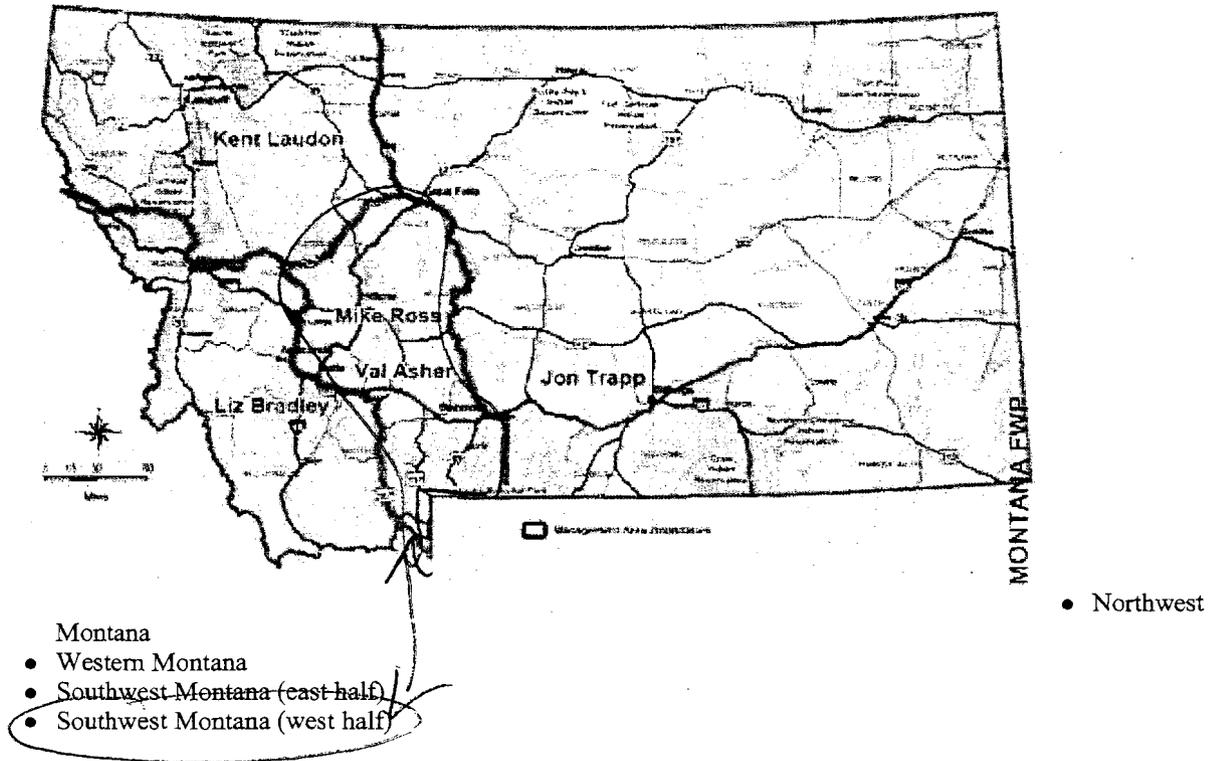
Baker Mountain – (General area: Main Boulder/West Boulder-South):

Not located.

* Trapping efforts are underway for the Rosebud pack (S of Roscoe).

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Wolf Monitoring Flight – Southwest Montana (west half)

Date: 5/13/06

(Paradise valley) ...unsure of relation with donohue

065F

Strickland creek, north end of the hogback. No visual.

Donohue (Paradise valley)

283F

Did not hear.

Mill creek (Paradise valley)

271F

High in Strawberry creek. No visual.

Chief Joe (Paradise valley)

394M

Between Dry and Big creek lying in pivot. Alone.

Cougar II (Gallatins)

546M

Black Butte creek. Traveling alone.

Wedge (Madison)

SW008M

In Bad Luck creek. With one gray.

SW007M

Did not hear.

Newly collared group (Madison)

SW073F

Wall creek. Feeding on elk kill. Alone.

SW072F

Did not hear.

Deadhorse (Gallatins)

454M

Hit by car.

Freezeout and Sage creek (Snowcrests)

Did not hear.

Wolf Monitoring Flight – Southwest Montana (west half)

Paradise Valley to the Snowcrests

Date: 04-19-06

Mill Creek (Paradise valley)
271F Strawberry Creek, no visual.

Donohue (Paradise valley)
283F couldn't find.
SW65F couldn't find.

Chief Joe (Paradise valley)
394M couldn't find.

Wedge (Madison Valley)
SW07M Corral Creek, no visual.
SW08M Corral Creek, no visual.

Freezeout (Snowcrests)
SW052F East Fork of the Blacktail. Visual of 5 grays.

Deadhorse (Taylor Fork)
454M Beaver Creek, no visual.

Cougar Creek (Gallatin, this is a YNP pack that was located outside of the park)
477M, 479M, 546M couldn't find.