

SPECIES: Canada lynx Date observed: January 26, 2012

Certainty of observation: ☐ moderate ☒ high Any tools / references used for identification? _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

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OBSERVATION DETAILS

Type of observation: ☐ tracks ☐ nest ☒ sighting ☐ vocalization ☒ other: Incidentally trapped

Total No. of individuals: 1 No. of males (if identifiable): TBD No. of females (if identifiable): TBD

Is this count: ☒ absolute ☐ an estimate ☐ a minimum

Location use / Behavior: Lynx was likely foraging in the vicinity; relatively high density of snowshoe hare in the Williams Creek watershed.

Other Comments about this Observation: Lynx was incidentally trapped in a #3 long spring trap with offset jaws, multiple swivels, on a drag with six foot chain; released unharmed by Cook/Thimons/Waterbury; lynx found by Nicholas Thimons and reported to IDFG; licensed trapper was encountered by Cook/Waterbury on his way to check trap after 48 hr. interval. Last confirmed lynx occurrence in the Salmon River Mountains was 1983; 29 years ago. Hair and scat samples were collected for DNA analysis at Rocky Mountain Research Station's Carnivore Genetics Lab.

LOCATION INFORMATION

Location of observation (be specific; use place names that can be located on a topographic map):

South Fork of Williams Creek approx. 2.6 miles upstream from confluence with Williams Creek; along Forest Service Rd. 28; 6152 ft. elevation.

County: Lemhi Landowner / Manager: Salmon-Challis National Forest
Salmon/Cobalt Ranger District

Township: T 20 N Range: R 20 W Section: S. 13 1/4 of the 1/4

Coordinate System Used: Decimal degrees Datum (include Zone if UTM's): WGS 84

Easting or Longitude (X): -114.04954 Northing or Latitude (Y): 45.05512

Maps attached

Habitat description (any comments regarding the habitat, e.g., types of vegetation, geographical characteristics):

Idaho Batholith Ecological Section, riparian woodland (willow dominant) within patches of Douglas-fir/lodgepole pine forest with small pockets of aspen; much second growth in the vicinity and notably, a relatively high density of snowshoe hare.

Photograph taken? ☒ Yes ☐ No Specimen collected? ☒ Yes ☐ No

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