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Subject Fw: Lynx Experts for Quick Consult. on Photo

Phil,

See response from Gary Koehler.

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Bryon: The head and ears suggest lynx, but cannot be sure that it might not be some bobcat hybrid as documented for MN .

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Gary,

What do you think??

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Subject  
Lynx Experts for Quick Consult. on

## Photo

A couple of years ago there was a photo of a dead lynx in a snare taken in Minnesota. We have confirmed the location where the photos were taken, but I would now like to solicit the opinions of a few lynx experts regarding the identify of the species shown. All we have is this photo - no hairs, scat, etc. for DNA analysis.

I would like to ask each expert how much confidence (e.g., 100%, 80%, etc.) they are that the animal in the photo is *L. canadensis*. I would like to get opinions of 2-3 lynx experts outside of Minnesota because this animal was snared outside of the area in which MN DNR is currently proposing trapping rule changes - therefore, it could have an impact on the area in which it would be appropriate to change trapping rules to minimize the likelihood of capturing lynx.

Any recommendations?

Thanks, Phil

P.S. I've attached the photos that I have. I am trying to get less grainy photos.

(See attached file: Photos.pdf)