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Subject Lynx snaring incident, bobcat season 2004-05

History:

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Phil,

This is a follow-up to the note I sent to you and Rich to help document the report. Attached are 2 more images taken at the set where the lynx kitten was snared, which I visited on June 9, 2008, and below is information about this trapping incident:

The kitten was snared in St. Louis County in west half of T56 R20.

The set is best described as a gang set involving numerous snares anchored to trees near a spot where deer carcasses (or parts of several deer) had been deposited for bait. The lynx kitten (note color of the fur, length of ear tufts, and big feet) was taken after the close of the fisher-marten season, but prior to end of the 2004-2005 bobcat season. The base of the tree where the kitten was taken is approximately 6 to 6 1/2" in diameter. Numerous snare wires had been cut, which is an indication that at least several other animals were taken at this set. I counted about a dozen trees in this area wrapped with wire, obviously used at one time or another to anchor snares. There were other trees wrapped with wire a bit further away from the immediate area. I do not know target species.

If you wish to see the evidence at this set first hand, I'm willing to serve as your guide. Feel free to call if you need additional information.

Ed Lindquist

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