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Jon,

I believe the decision to have internal IFT discussions prior to WS making a depredation call was based on a request from the FWS. The attached memo provided guidance to the IFT so if you wish to change process, we should issue a new memo.

Alan

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Hello Caren, Carey, and Patrick: last week, Jess Carey from Catron County sent out an email to several ranchers that provided misleading information regarding conversations that I had with Wildlife Services on depredation investigations for the Mexican Wolf Recovery Program.

Fish and Wildlife Service and Wildlife Service have subsequently provided a clarifying memorandum to the Interagency Field Team (IFT). In essence, the memo notes that the decisions on depredations will incorporate all information available at the IFT level. However, the Wildlife Services will remain the responsible party that determines whether the depredation was caused by a wolf, and the IFT jurisdictional lead will determine which wolf or wolves were responsible.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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Below is the email sent out by Jess Carey:

Hello everyone, I hope all is well with you.

Today I found out that Wildlife Services depredation Investigators were told not to disclose their investigative findings to the resource owner or me in

the field. First WS have to send their reports and findings to the IFT, Liz Jozwiak. Here she will look at the report and either agree with the investigative findings by wildlife Services or has the power to change the findings from confirmed to probable or probable to unknown based on whatever she thinks. She also has the power to assign the depredation to whatever wolf she feels based on whatever.

This way they will have total control and can protect any wolf they think necessary. The WS investigators were recently told not to identify the deprecating wolf, and for them to recommend the removal of multiple livestock killing wolves is a big no-no.

I guess the next step is for Liz to eliminate Wildlife Service and they, the IFT can do the depredation investigations their selves. They already tried to keep the county from participating in depredation investigations.

Your livestock are just that; your private property dead or alive. You have the say who can touch your dead cow or calf. We all need to seriously look at the 10j rule on wolves attacking, biting, and feeding on live livestock on your private property.

Well, it seems there is no end to the ongoing manipulation.

Thank you

If you have any question, please give me a call..

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