

From: [Jess Carey](#)
To: [John Oakleaf](#); [Matt Ellis](#)
Subject: Fwd: Wolf Siting on April Fools Ranch near Horse Springs, NM
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John, Matt here the photos...Jess

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Subject: Wolf Siting on April Fools Ranch near Horse Springs, NM

Date: Thu, 9 Apr 2015 08:40:24 -0600

From: (b) (6) <(b) (6)>

To: 3trees@gilanet.com

TO: Jess Carey
County Wolf Interaction Investigator
Catron County

Hi Jess-

Per my phone call to you this morning:

On April 8, 2015, at 1930 hours I noticed an animal through the window on the back of my property.

At first I thought it was a dog or a coyote and then noticed it was wearing a collar. I think it is a Mexican Gray Wolf.

I took 20 photos of the animal (all were taken from inside the house except for the one by the chicken coop).

We do not have any chickens, but I have two barn cats currently locked up in the chicken coop. On April 7, 2015, I cleaned the cat litter box and stored it in a white garbage bag. I put the garbage bag in a blue bucket and set the bucket on the outside the chicken coop.

I believe the wolf dragged the garbage bag about 50 feet from the chicken coop and was digging through the bag and rolling around on the ground. I took several photos of the wolf and then noticed it headed back to the chicken coop. My husband and I went out the front door and walked around to the side of the porch and took another photo of the wolf by the chicken coop. The wolf then walked back over to the bag and then slowly walked away to the north and disappeared in the tree line.

I left a message for our ranch manager that the wolf may possibly be heading towards his house on our property where our small cattle herd usually hangs out.

Here are a few cropped pictures of the wolf. I will make a copy of the full size photos and give to you later.

We live at (b) (6) which is located 8 miles south of NM Highway 12 & Horse

Springs Bible Church junction at Mile Post 40 (about half way between Reserve, NM and Datil, NM). On the right side of the road is a sign with the numbers "(b) (6)" on it and we live in a white house with a blue roof (we have a tequila sunrise colored Dodge truck and a copper/orange Chevy HHR car).

Per your request, I am going outside to locate footprints and cover them with a tub (with rocks holding the tub down) until you can get here to investigate.

Please share this information with the Forest Service and other agencies.

Thanks,

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