

From: [Grizzle, Betty](#)
To: [Inman, Bob](#)
Subject: Re: Great Falls Tribune OpEd on wolverines
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Thanks Bob. I sent Audrey an email asking her if anyone has looked at this (prevalence, genetic markers). Would be an interesting study.

On Thu, May 4, 2017 at 10:10 AM, Inman, Bob <bobinman@mt.gov> wrote:

I had heard about the article, but not read it. It is always scary to work with a media person and then they walk away and write whatever they want. So I guess I try to keep my blood pressure in good shape by often not reading the articles.

We have seen fairly extensive white markings, and commonly on the foot, at least in GYA and much of Montana. I am not sure how prevalent it is globally though. Would be interesting to pull together some info on that. Sounds like something Audrey might be willing and able to do.

-Bob Inman

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Hi Bob - You have probably seen this opinion piece, but I noticed in one of the photographs (Pintler Mtns), that the wolverine has white paws (or at least the tips are white).

I had read about that interesting characteristic (somewhere in my readings). Is this a common trait for wolverines in North America, or lower 48, or Montana only? Does this also occur in Scandinavian wolverines?

Wolverine study's plan preferred to endangered species listing

GreatFalls Tribune/Opinion

May 2, 2017

During a multi-state survey this winter to establish a baseline of where wolverines live in the U.S., one of the solitary mountaineers was photographed by a motion-detecting camera 65 miles southeast of Great Falls in the Little Belt Mountains.... <http://www.greatfallstribune.com/story/opinion/2017/05/02/wolverine-studys-plan-preferred-endangered-species-listing/101208748/>

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