

**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#); [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Update #2 on FN Notification of wolf  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 2:22:00 PM

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Ben

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 9:02 AM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca>; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

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***Inspector Ben York***

Officer in Charge, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
(250) 751-3163 (d) (250) 755-5816 (c)

WILDLIFE NECROPSY  
WILDLIFE HEALTH ID: 20-008  
March 26, 2020

A mature adult, male wolf was provided to the wildlife veterinarian by CO Kissinger at 8 AM, March 26, 2020. s.16 in a fresh state and transported to the Nanaimo Regional office for necropsy.

NECROPSY FINDINGS:

The necropsy was performed at noon. The carcass (as presented) weighed 65 lbs. There was significant subcutaneous fat. A bullet entry site was noted caudal to the left shoulder with the trajectory wound passing through the thorax and into the right shoulder area. A large blood clot was covering the lungs and heart on opening the thorax. The left upper lateral 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> ribs were fragmented by the bullet and the ventral trachea and both cranial and middle lung lobes were lacerated. On removal of the lungs and heart, 10 hard, oblong, pale masses from 1 – 2.5 cm in size were observed on the right 10 ribs, midway up the thoracic wall in a lateral chain. While the ribs were rigid, the bone was easy to cut through, above and below the masses. There was significant fat in all body depots. The stomach contained most if not an entire adult beaver. The remainder of the gastrointestinal tract was not examined. The carcass was labelled and frozen.

COMMENTS:

The wolf was in excellent body condition and appeared to have been feeding on natural food sources. There was a significant pre-existing injury of the thorax where 10 ribs on the right side of the animal appeared to have been fractured and subsequently healed. However, it is also possible that the rib lesions are from a chronic infection so laboratory work is needed to confirm the cause of these rib lesions. The cause of death was gunshot and the death was immediate.

Helen Schwantje  
Wildlife Veterinarian





# Case Summary

## Details

<b>Case File #:</b>	202000682	<b>Opened Date:</b>	2020-01-31 04:02 PM
<b>Category:</b>	CO SERVICE	<b>Discovery Date:</b>	2020-01-30
<b>Type:</b>	WILDLIFE	<b>Closed Date:</b>	2020-01-31 04:06 PM
<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Admin Org Unit:</b>	SOUTH ISLAND ZONE
<b>Opened By:</b>	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	<b>Source:</b>	REPORTED
<b>Lead Investigator:</b>	PAUWELS, PETER : 56871	<b>Source Ref #:</b>	ERS 19-6521
<b>Lead Investigator's Phone:</b>		<b>Other Source Agency:</b>	
<b>Paper File Created:</b>	No	<b>Transferred to Agency:</b>	
<b>Electronic Case File:</b>	No	<b>Other Transferred Agency:</b>	
<b>Investigation Review Process:</b>	No	<b>Joint Investigation:</b>	No
<b>Investigation Review Date:</b>		<b>Transferred Agency Contact:</b>	
<b>Investigation Start Date:</b>	2020-01-30	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Joint Agency Contact:</b>		<b>Joint Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Other Joint Agency:</b>		<b>Joint Agency Phone:</b>	
<b>Case Description:</b>	ERS 19-6521 REPORT OF INTENT TO SHOOT A WOLF.		

## Members:

Name	Phone Number	Start Date	End Date
PAUWELS, PETER : 56871		2020-01-30	2030-01-28
PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730		2020-01-31	2030-01-28

## Parties Involved:

Name	DOB	Role	Nature of Involvement	Phone No.	Address
UNKNOWN, SIZ		SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT			VICTORIA BC
s.22		COMPLAINANT		s.22	VICTORIA BC

## Sites:

Site	Site Type	Description
1. 1-1; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE		VICTORIA

## Notes:

Date	Name	Comments
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**Continuation Report:**

Date	Time	Name	Report
2020-01-30	11:00	PAUWELS, PETER : 56871	CO Pauwels reviewed ERS which does not disclose that an offence has taken place. Vic PD were considering shooting the wolf in question for reasons of public safety, however that never happened as the wolf was tranquilized by COS.

**Attachments:**

Attach#	Description	Photo	File	Attached By	Attached Date
1	20200125_DOC_s.22 _ERS_19-6521	No	20200125_DOC_s.22 ERS_19-6521.PDF	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	2020-01-31

**Contravention No.1** WILDLIFE ACT AND REGULATIONS 26 (1)(C) : HUNT, TAKE, TRAP, WOUND  
OR KILL WILDLIFE NOT WITHIN OPEN SEASON**Species:**

**Est. Incident Date** 2020-01-25 **Party:** UNKNOWN, SIZ  
**Site:** 1. 1-1; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE; **Party Address:** VICTORIA BC  
VICTORIA

**Enforcement Actions****Enforcement Action No. 1**

**Type:** UNFOUNDED  
**Comments:**

**Vehicles:**

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Close Report

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Previous

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Next

Enforcement Routing Sheet #19-6521

Complaint Received By: TYLER (Operations 4 ECC)

Date / Time received:

2020-01-25 15:55

Area: VICTORIA - VICTORIA - WEST COAST REGION

COORS OR#:

CALLER INFORMATION	
Caller Name:	s.22
Mail / Street	.
Address:	
City:	.
Postal Code:	
Referred By:	
Contact Numbers	s.22

VIOLATION DETAILS		
Violation Date: 01/25/2020	Violation Time:	Violation in Progress? Yes
Violation Type: WILDLIFE		
Offense Witnessed:		
Intent to shoot a wolf.		
Offense Location:		
Victoria		
Offense Details:		
Caller overheard VicPD broadcast - reports that Victoria Police's road Sgt., identified as C50, ordered constables on shift to search for and attempt to shoot the wolf believed to be in Victoria.		
15:58 left VM – CO Dekelver		
16:00 left VM - CO Sano		
16:01 left VM - CO Kissinger		
16:02 left VM - SCO Norris		
16:03 left VM - SCO Newton		
16:04 briefed SCO Bates		

DESCRIPTION				
Name (if known)				
Description	Sex	Race	Height	Weight
	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
	Build	Complexion	Distinguishing Features	
Clothing				
Vehicle				
Weapons				
Other Details				
	Sex	Race	Height	Weight

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	Build	Complexion	Distinguishing Features	
Clothing				
Vehicle				
Weapons				
Other Details				

**Notification:**  
2020-01-25 16:08 Email to: South Island, Central Island [DUNCAN, VICTORIA, NANAIMO, PORT ALBERNI]  
[COS.South.Island.Zone@gov.bc.ca, COS.CentrallIslandZone@gov.bc.ca] Sent from SGPEP.ECC1@gov.bc.ca

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# RESIDENT HUNTER NUMBER CARD

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RESIDENT HUNTER NUMBER

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LAST NAME

BIRTHDATE

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# Case Summary

## Details

<b>Case File #:</b>	202002069	<b>Opened Date:</b>	2020-03-25 09:31 AM
<b>Category:</b>	CO SERVICE	<b>Discovery Date:</b>	2020-03-24
<b>Type:</b>	WILDLIFE	<b>Closed Date:</b>	
<b>Status:</b>	Open	<b>Admin Org Unit:</b>	SOUTH ISLAND ZONE
<b>Opened By:</b>	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	<b>Source:</b>	CONSERVATION OFFICER FOUND
<b>Lead Investigator:</b>	PAUWELS, PETER : 56871	<b>Source Ref #:</b>	
<b>Lead Investigator's Phone:</b>		<b>Other Source Agency:</b>	
<b>Paper File Created:</b>	No	<b>Transferred to Agency:</b>	
<b>Electronic Case File:</b>	Yes	<b>Other Transferred Agency:</b>	
<b>Investigation Review Process:</b>	No	<b>Joint Investigation:</b>	No
<b>Investigation Review Date:</b>		<b>Transferred Agency Contact:</b>	
<b>Investigation Start Date:</b>	2020-03-24	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Joint Agency Contact:</b>		<b>Joint Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Other Joint Agency:</b>		<b>Joint Agency Phone:</b>	
<b>Case Description:</b>	NO ERS - EAR TAGGED WOLF SHOT NEAR SHAWNIGAN LAKE.		

## Members:

Name	Phone Number	Start Date	End Date
PAUWELS, PETER : 56871		2020-03-25	2030-03-23
PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730		2020-03-25	2030-03-23
KISSINGER, MARK		2020-03-24	2021-04-30
NORRIS, SCOTT		2020-03-24	2021-03-31

## Parties Involved:

Name	DOB	Role	Nature of Involvement	Phone No.	Address
s.22	*****	SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT		s.22	

## Sites:

Site	Site Type	Description
1. 1-2; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE		OFF OF KAPOOR MAIN, WEST OF SHAWNIGAN LAKE

## Notes:

Date	Name	Comments
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2020-04-02	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	FOI FOLDER CREATED IN ECF
2020-04-01	NORRIS, SCOTT	SGT REVIEWED. GOOD WORK - PLEASE CONCLUDE FILE DETAILS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FOR FOI REQUEST. SIGN AND SEND EXHIBIT REPORT TO SGT FOR SIGN OFF. THANKS.
2020-03-31	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	NECROPSY RPT ATTACHED.
2020-03-31	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	CONTINUATION REPORT COPIED TO ECF FILE FOLDER. WILL BE DELETED OUT OF COORS SHORTLY.
2020-03-27	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE & LEGAL OPINION ATTACHED.
2020-03-25	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	COORS / ECF CREATED. PHOTOS IN FOLDER.

#### Continuation Report:

Date	Time	Name	Report
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#### Attachments:

Attach#	Description	Photo	File	Attached By	Attached Date
1	202002069_PHOTO_TEXT_COMMUNICATION_PAUWELS	Yes	202002069_PHOTO_TEXT_COMMUNICATION_PAUWELS.PDF	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	2020-03-25
3	202002069_PHOTO_BCDL_s.22_PAUWELS	Yes	202002069_PHOTO_BCDL_s.22_PAUWELS.PDF	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	2020-03-25
4	20200327_1247_COR_E s.14	No	20200327_1247_COR_EM	PAUWELS,	2020-03-27
5					2020-03-27
6	2(3) AND 94(2) 20200326_RPT_NECRO PSY	No	AND 94(2).PDF 20-0008 WOLF.DOCX	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	2020-03-31

#### Contravention No.1 TRESPASS ACT 2 (1) : TRESPASS ON ENCLOSED LAND OR PREMISES, OR ENGAGE IN PROHIBITED ACTIVITY

##### Species:

Est. Incident Date 2020-03-24 12:00 Party: s.22

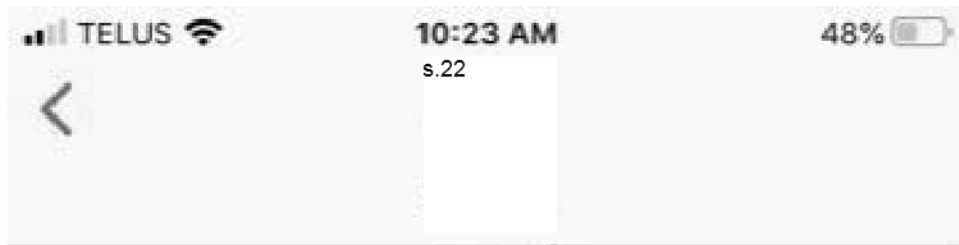
Site: 1. 1-2; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE; OFF OF KAPOOR MAIN, WEST OF SHAWNIGAN LAKE Party Address:

#### Enforcement Actions

##### Enforcement Action No. 1

Type: UNFOUNDED  
Comments:





Yesterday 12:59 PM



Wolf killed up kapour.  
Recognize the tag at all  
Peter?



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**From:** Liedtke, Michael ENV:EX  
**Sent:** March-27-20 12:47 PM  
**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX; York, Ben A ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: trespass and possession

See attached for the gist.

**From:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 12:27 PM  
**To:** Liedtke, Michael ENV:EX <[Michael.Liedtke@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Liedtke@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: trespass and possession

Do you have an actual legal opinion? If so, Ben would like to read it.  
Thanks Mike...I am available on cell as s.22

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**From:** Liedtke, Michael ENV:EX  
**Sent:** March-27-20 9:46 AM  
**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: trespass and possession

As I understand it, the person has not acquired a "right of property" - the animal needs to be "lawfully" harvested, which can't be the case if you were in trespass at the time it was hunted/killed.

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You can seize the animal.

I can recall a case in the Kootenays where a hunter was otherwise in compliance with the Wildlife Act, but shot an elk in a no shooting area under a regional district or local municipality bylaw. s.14

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## **Property in wildlife**

- 2** (1) Ownership in all wildlife in British Columbia is vested in the government.
- (2) A person does not acquire a right of property in any wildlife except in accordance with a permit or licence issued under this Act or the *Animal Health Act* or as provided in subsection (3) of this section.
- (3) A person who lawfully kills wildlife and complies with all applicable provisions of this Act and the regulations acquires the right of property in that wildlife.

(4) If a person by accident or for the protection of life or property kills wildlife, that wildlife, despite subsection (3), remains the property of the government.

(5) Despite anything in this Act, no right of action lies, and no right of compensation exists, against the government for death, personal injury or property damage caused by

(a) wildlife,

(a.1) controlled alien species described in paragraph (a) of the definition of "species", or

(b) an animal that escapes or is released from captivity or is abandoned

in British Columbia.

**From:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 27, 2020 9:32 AM

**To:** Liedtke, Michael ENV:EX <[Michael.Liedtke@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Liedtke@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** trespass and possession

Hi Mike

Do you have any case law regarding trespassing and possession of an animal harvested?

Basically, if you harvest an animal while trespassing, do you still retain the right to possess it?

Thanks,

Scott



WILDLIFE NECROPSY  
WILDLIFE HEALTH ID: 20-008  
March 26, 2020

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NECROPSY FINDINGS:

The necropsy was performed at noon. The carcass (as presented) weighed 65 lbs. There was significant subcutaneous fat. A bullet entry site was noted caudal to the left shoulder with the trajectory wound passing through the thorax and into the right shoulder area. A large blood clot was covering the lungs and heart on opening the thorax. The left upper lateral 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> ribs were fragmented by the bullet and the ventral trachea and both cranial and middle lung lobes were lacerated. On removal of the lungs and heart, 10 hard, oblong, pale masses from 1 – 2.5 cm in size were observed on the right 10 ribs, midway up the thoracic wall in a lateral chain. While the ribs were rigid, the bone was easy to cut through, above and below the masses. There was significant fat in all body depots. The stomach contained most if not an entire adult beaver. The remainder of the gastrointestinal tract was not examined. The carcass was labelled and frozen.

COMMENTS:

The wolf was in excellent body condition and appeared to have been feeding on natural food sources. There was a significant pre-existing injury of the thorax where 10 ribs on the right side of the animal appeared to have been fractured and subsequently healed. However, it is also possible that the rib lesions are from a chronic infection so laboratory work is needed to confirm the cause of these rib lesions. The cause of death was gunshot and the death was immediate.

Helen Schwantje  
Wildlife Veterinarian

## DISTRICT OF ELKFORD

### BYLAW NO. 747, 2014

#### A bylaw to regulate the discharge of Firearms

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The Municipal Council of the District of Elkford, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

#### 1. Citation.

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "District of Elkford Firearms Regulation Bylaw No. 747, 2014".

#### 2. Definitions:

In this bylaw:

**Bow** means a longBow, recurve Bow, short Bow, compound Bow or crossBow from which any arrow or bolt may be discharged by means of a Bowstring and that is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death.

**Bylaw Enforcement Officer** means any member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, British Columbia Conservation Officer Service, a Bylaw Enforcement Officer or any Person appointed by Council to enforce this bylaw pursuant to s. 264 of the *Community Charter*.

**Council** means the Mayor and Council of the District of Elkford.

**District** means the District of Elkford.

**Firearm** means a barreled weapon from which any shot, bullet, or other projectile can be discharged by means of an explosion, compressed gas or spring and that is capable of causing serious bodily injury or death to a Person. This includes rifle, shotgun, handgun, pellet gun, BB gun, spring gun, paintball gun and includes any frame or receiver of such a barreled weapon and anything can be adapted for use as a Firearm.

**Person** means any individual, corporation, partnership, association or other legal entity and includes any trustee, executor, administrator or other legal representative.

#### 3. Discharge of Firearms

3.1 No Person shall discharge or cause or permit to be discharged a Firearm or Bow within the area of the District of Elkford as shown on Schedule 'A' attached hereto.

3.2 Notwithstanding 3.1 a Peace Officer, an employee of the Province of British Columbia, Government of Canada or the District may discharge Firearms, within the District of Elkford, when required to do so in the performance of their duties.

3.3 No provision of this Bylaw shall prevent or restrict the discharge of a Firearm under the Livestock Act, in the District of Elkford.

#### **4. Permits**

4.1 Notwithstanding Section 3.1 a permit may be issued to a Person or organization for the discharge of Firearms within the No Discharge of Firearm Boundary for a special event or festival and the permit issued shall be in the manner of Schedule 'B' attached hereto.

4.2 Any permit issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 4.1 may be cancelled by the Bylaw Enforcement Officer or Corporate Officer for any just cause or reason.

4.3 Applications for a permit must be made in writing and deposited with the Corporate Officer and must clearly indicate the purpose for which the permit is required; the time and place at which the use will take place; the Person who will be responsible; and any further information which the Corporate Officer or the local police department may require.

#### **5. Enforcement and Entry**

5.1 A Bylaw Enforcement Officer is authorized to enforce this bylaw and to enter, at all times, on any day, upon any property within the District if the Bylaw Enforcement Officer has grounds to believe that the provisions of this bylaw are not being complied with to ascertain whether there is compliance with the provisions of this bylaw.

#### **6. Offence**

6.1 A Person is guilty of a contravention of this Bylaw and commits an offence who:

- a) violates any provisions of this bylaw;
- b) causes or permits any act or thing to be done in contravention or violation of any provisions of this bylaw; or
- c) neglects or omits to do anything resulting in contravention of this bylaw.

6.2 For each day that a contravention of this bylaw occurs, such shall constitute a separate and distinct offence.

6.3 Every Person who commits an offence under this bylaw is liable to:

- (a) a fine and penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 and not less than \$100.00 for each offence if issued a municipal ticket under the District Ticket Information Bylaw or any amendments thereto; or
- (b) a fine and penalty of not more than \$10,000.00 and not less than \$500.00 for each offence if prosecuted pursuant to the provisions of the *Offence Act*, R.S.B.C., Chapter 338.

6.4 The District may restrain a Person who contravenes this bylaw by making application to a Court of competent jurisdiction for injunctive relief in addition to any penalty that may be imposed pursuant to s. 6.3 hereof.

## **7. Repeal**

1.       7.1       The District of Elkford Firearms Regulation Bylaw No. 276, 1984 and all amendments are hereby repealed.

Read a first time this 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

Read a second time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014.

Read a third time this 14<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014.

Adopted this 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014.

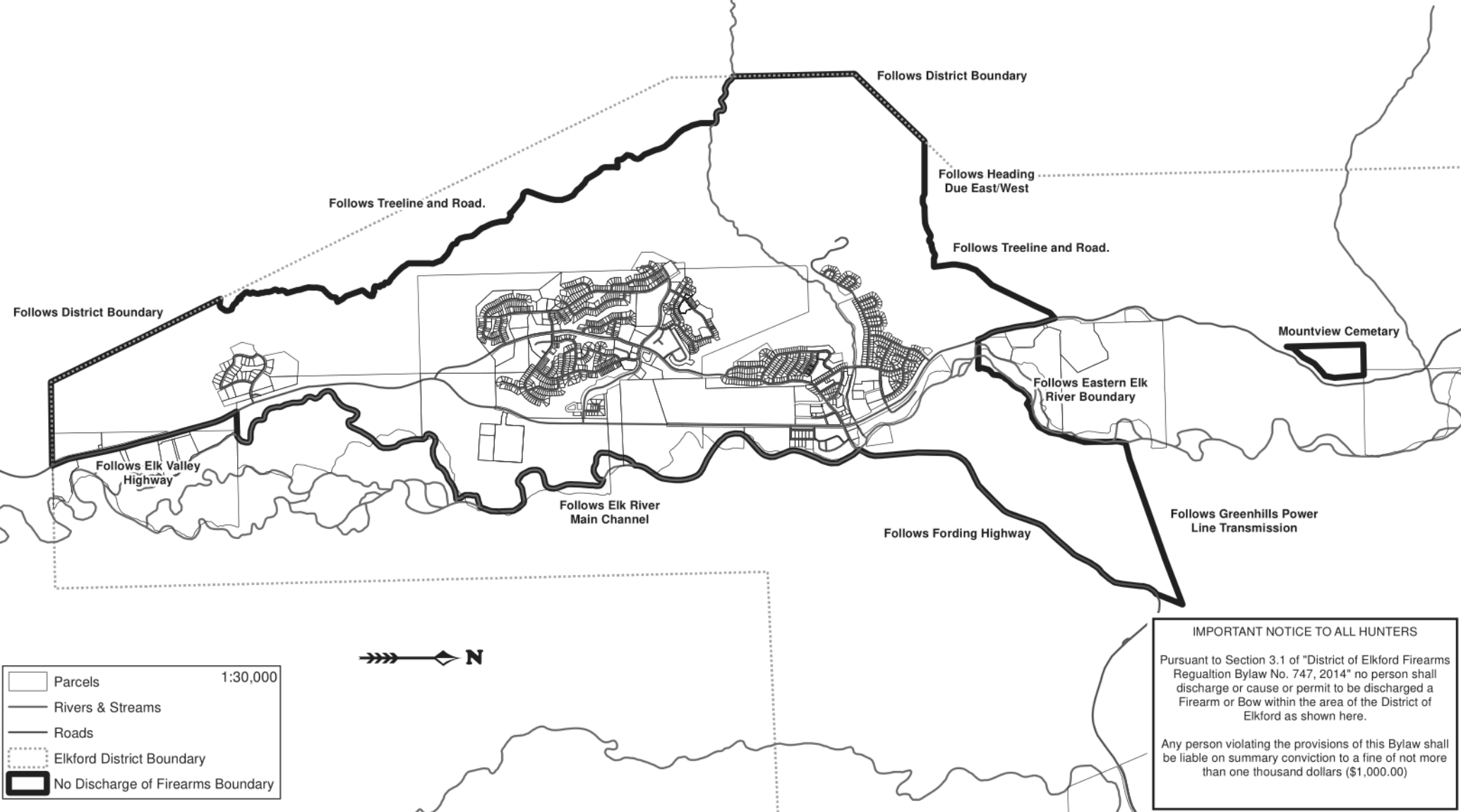
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Dean McKerracher  
Mayor

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Curtis Helgesen  
Chief Administrative Officer

# FIREARMS REGULATION BYLAW NO. 747 "SCHEDULE A"



**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL HUNTERS**

Pursuant to Section 3.1 of "District of Elkford Firearms Regulation Bylaw No. 747, 2014" no person shall discharge or cause or permit to be discharged a Firearm or Bow within the area of the District of Elkford as shown here.

Any person violating the provisions of this Bylaw shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00)





## CONSERVATION OFFICER SERVICE EXHIBIT REPORT

**Exhibit Report No. 1**

**Case File No.202002069**

<b>REGION:</b>	West Coast Region	
<b>NAME(s):</b>	s.22	
<b>ADDRESS:</b>	s.22	
<b>D.O.B.</b>	s.22	

I, C. O. Mark Kissinger came into possession of the following goods(s)  
on 2020-03-25  
at: s.22

Exhibits listed below are to be given numbers in consecutive order

Item No.	DESCRIPTION
1	Skinned Wolf Carcass, s.16

*Certified Correct*

M Kissinger

NAME OF CONSERVATION OFFICER (PRINT)

SIGNATURE OF CONSERVATION OFFICER

DATE SIGNED

## MOVEMENT OF EXHIBITS

Item No.	TO		TO		TO	
1	Duncan COS Compound	Date Rec'd 20-03-25	Destination Nanaimo FLNRO Office, 2080 Labieux Rd, Nanaimo	Date Rec'd 20-03-26	Destination	Date Rec'd
	Recipient CO Kissinger	Initials of Witness	Recipient Dr. Helen Schwantje	Initials of Witness	Recipient	Initials of Witness

	Destination	Date Rec'd	Destination	Date Rec'd	Destination	Date Rec'd
	Recipient	Initials of Witness	Recipient	Initials of Witness	Recipient	Initials of Witness

	Destination	Date Rec'd	Destination	Date Rec'd	Destination	Date Rec'd
	Recipient	Initials of Witness	Recipient	Initials of Witness	Recipient	Initials of Witness

## DISPOSITION CERTIFICATE

Item No.	Date Disposed	How Disposed	Officer Signature	Supervisor Signature
1	20-03-25	Turned over to FLNRO Wildlife Vet Dr. Helen Schwantje	CO Kissinger	

## RETURNED TO OWNER

*I, the undersigned, have received item number(s)\_\_\_\_, in the same condition as seized.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
CONSERVATION OFFICER

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE



-----Original Message-----

From: Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>

Sent: March 25, 2020 9:39 AM

To: Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <[Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca)>

Subject: Kapoor gate this morning







Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Sano, Robin ENV:EX  
**Sent:** March-25-20 3:34 PM  
**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX  
**Cc:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX; York, Ben A ENV:EX; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX; Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Has Takaya been shot?

FYI

## Robin Sano

*Conservation Officer Service \ West Coast Region*  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
5785 Duncan Street | Duncan B.C. V9L 3W6

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**From:** Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 3:18 PM  
**To:** Sano, Robin ENV:EX <[Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Has Takaya been shot?

Hi Robin,  
This is Cheryl Alexander. I met you out in Port Renfrew a couple of weeks ago when you were attending a call about Takaya.

i've just received word that Takaya may have been shot up near Shawnigan. This wolf apparently had an ear tag.

Is Takaya the only wolf with an ear tag?  
I am very upset and would like to speak with you about this.  
Please call me urgently at **s.22**  
Thank you,  
Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander  
Follow me on Instagram @[cher\\_wildawake](https://www.instagram.com/cher_wildawake)  
Facebook page for TAKAYA: @takayalonewolf

WildAwake Images  
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**From:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX  
**Sent:** March-25-20 3:49 PM  
**To:** Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX  
**Cc:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX; Sano, Robin ENV:EX; Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX  
**Subject:** Re: The wolf shot is definitely Takaya

I just spoke to Cheryl  
Mike she will likely call you  
She is highly interested in a legacy for this wolf and wishes to purchase the hide And or bury him on the island  
Stay tuned

Helen

On Mar 25, 2020, at 3:34 PM, Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Please, I want his body to be returned.  
Please ask the hunters for at least that.  
Thank you  
Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander  
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Facebook page for TAKAYA: @takayalonewolf

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# Case Summary

## Details

<b>Case File #:</b>	202002116	<b>Opened Date:</b>	2020-03-26 01:54 PM
<b>Category:</b>	CO SERVICE	<b>Discovery Date:</b>	2020-03-26
<b>Type:</b>	WILDLIFE	<b>Closed Date:</b>	2020-03-26 02:33 PM
<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Admin Org Unit:</b>	SOUTH ISLAND ZONE
<b>Opened By:</b>	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	<b>Source:</b>	REPORTED
<b>Lead Investigator:</b>	DEKELVER, RICHARD	<b>Source Ref #:</b>	ERS 19-7417
<b>Lead Investigator's Phone:</b>		<b>Other Source Agency:</b>	
<b>Paper File Created:</b>	No	<b>Transferred to Agency:</b>	
<b>Electronic Case File:</b>	No	<b>Other Transferred Agency:</b>	
<b>Investigation Review Process:</b>	No	<b>Joint Investigation:</b>	No
<b>Investigation Review Date:</b>		<b>Transferred Agency Contact:</b>	
<b>Investigation Start Date:</b>	2020-03-26	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Joint Agency Contact:</b>		<b>Joint Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Other Joint Agency:</b>		<b>Joint Agency Phone:</b>	
<b>Case Description:</b>	ERS 19-7417 REPORT OF WILDLIFE HARASSMENT AND HABITUATING DANGEROUS WILDLIFE.		

## Members:

Name	Phone Number	Start Date	End Date
DEKELVER, RICHARD		2020-03-26	2030-03-24
PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730		2020-03-26	2030-03-24

## Parties Involved:

Name	DOB	Role	Nature of Involvement	Phone No.	Address
UNKNOWN, SIZ		SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT			VICTORIA BC
s.22		COMPLAINANT		s.22	BC

## Sites:

Site	Site Type	Description
1. 1-1; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE		VI

## Notes:

Date	Name	Comments
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Continuation Report:			
Date	Time	Name	Report
2020-03-26	14:05	DEKELVER, RICHARD	Spoke with COM, who is very supportive of COS. COM has no further evidence, but is referring to Documentary. Explained COS has similar concerns, but no concrete evidence to support charges at this time. COM stated he understood, but just wanted his concerns added to perspective.
2020-03-26	12:30	DEKELVER, RICHARD	Called COM and left message s.22 providing call back number.

Attachments:					
Attach#	Description	Photo	File	Attached By	Attached Date
1	20200326_DOC_s.22 ERS_19-7417	No	20200326_DOC_s.22 S_19-7417.PDF	_ERPAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	2020-03-26

Contravention No.1		WILDLIFE ACT AND REGULATIONS 27 (3) : HARASS WILDLIFE WITH VEHICLE OR DEVICE	
Species:			
Est. Incident Date	2020-03-26	Party:	UNKNOWN, SIZ
Site:	1. 1-1; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE; VI	Party Address:	VICTORIA BC
Enforcement Actions			
Enforcement Action No. 1			
Type:	UNSOLVED		
Comments:			
Vehicles:			

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Close Report

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Enforcement Routing Sheet #19-7417

Complaint Received By: DAVID (Admin ECC)

Date / Time received:  
2020-03-26 10:21  
COORS OR#:

Area: VICTORIA - VICTORIA - WEST COAST REGION

CALLER INFORMATION			
Caller Name:	s.22	WWW FORM	
Mail / Street	WWW FORM		
Address:			
City:	WWW FORM		
Postal Code:	WWW FORM		
Referred By:	WWW FORM		
Contact Numbers			
Business	s.22	Cellular	s.22

VIOLATION DETAILS		
Violation Date: 03/26/2020	Violation Time:	Violation in Progress? No
Violation Type: WILDLIFE		
Offense Witnessed: Harassing wildlife?		
Offense Location: Vancouver Island		
Offense Details: Details of the violation <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/natureofthings/m_episodes/takaya-lone-wolf">https://www.cbc.ca/natureofthings/m_episodes/takaya-lone-wolf</a>		

Wildlife harrasment and habituating dangerous wildlife. Which lead it to James bay.

Description of the Suspect

See video

s.22

Additional Comments

Habituating dangerous wildlife is dangerous to the public. They loose their natural fear of humans which was well documented with this wolf and lead to its demise

DESCRIPTION				
Name (if known)	s.22			
Description	Sex	Race	Height	Weight
	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
	Build	Complexion	Distinguishing Features	
Clothing				
Vehicle				
Weapons				
Other Details				
	Sex	Race	Height	Weight
	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
	Build	Complexion	Distinguishing Features	



**Notification:**  
2020-03-26 10:25 Email to: South Island [DUNCAN, VICTORIA] [COS.South.Island.Zone@gov.bc.ca] Sent from  
SGPEP.ECC1@gov.bc.ca



# Case Summary

## Details

<b>Case File #:</b>	202002353	<b>Opened Date:</b>	2020-04-01 02:30 PM
<b>Category:</b>	CO SERVICE	<b>Discovery Date:</b>	2020-03-30
<b>Type:</b>	WILDLIFE	<b>Closed Date:</b>	2020-04-01 02:42 PM
<b>Status:</b>	Closed	<b>Admin Org Unit:</b>	SOUTH ISLAND ZONE
<b>Opened By:</b>	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	<b>Source:</b>	REPORTED
<b>Lead Investigator:</b>	PAUWELS, PETER : 56871	<b>Source Ref #:</b>	ERS 19-7415
<b>Lead Investigator's Phone:</b>		<b>Other Source Agency:</b>	
<b>Paper File Created:</b>	No	<b>Transferred to Agency:</b>	
<b>Electronic Case File:</b>	No	<b>Other Transferred Agency:</b>	
<b>Investigation Review Process:</b>	No	<b>Joint Investigation:</b>	No
<b>Investigation Review Date:</b>		<b>Transferred Agency Contact:</b>	
<b>Investigation Start Date:</b>	2020-03-30	<b>Lead Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Joint Agency Contact:</b>		<b>Joint Agency:</b>	MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT
<b>Other Joint Agency:</b>		<b>Joint Agency Phone:</b>	
<b>Case Description:</b>	ERS 19-7415 COMPLAINT AGAINST s.22 WILDLIFE / WOLF.	<b>Joint Agency Case No:</b>	FOR HARRASSING

## Members:

Name	Phone Number	Start Date	End Date
PAUWELS, PETER : 56871		2020-03-30	2030-03-30
PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730		2020-04-01	2030-03-30

## Parties Involved:

Name	DOB	Role	Nature of Involvement	Phone No.	Address
s.22		SUBJECT OF COMPLAINT			BC
		COMPLAINANT			s.22
					CAN

## Sites:

Site	Site Type	Description
1. 1-1; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE		VARIOUS

## Notes:

Date	Name	Comments
2020-04-01	PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	ENTERED & ATTACHED.

#### Continuation Report:

Date	Time	Name	Report
2020-03-30	00:00	PAUWELS, PETER : 56871	<p>CO Pauwels reviewed ERS and called com s.22 s.22 Com believes that s.22 s.22</p> <p>CO Pauwels advised com that COS is aware of, and concerned about s.22 behaviour with the wolf. However at this time there is not enough evidence for the COS charge s.22 with an offence. COS would be willing to re-assess if new information emerges which shows s.22 in contravention of the WLA provisions around attracting dangerous wildlife.</p> <p>Also advised com that the COS can do nothing about on-line harassment and bullying.</p>

#### Attachments:

Attach#	Description	Photo	File	Attached By	Attached Date
1	20200326_DOC_s.22 ERS_19-7415	No	20200326_DOC_s.22 RS_19-7415.PDF	_E PAUWELS, CHARLENE : 64730	2020-04-01

Contravention No.1		WILDLIFE ACT AND REGULATIONS 27 (3) : HARASS WILDLIFE WITH VEHICLE OR DEVICE	
Species:			
Est. Incident Date	2020-03-26	Party:	s.22
Site:	1. 1-1; SOUTH ISLAND ZONE; VARIOUS	Party Address:	BC
Enforcement Actions			
Enforcement Action No. 1			
Type:	UNFOUNDED		
Comments:			
Vehicles:			

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Enforcement Routing Sheet #19-7415

Complaint Received By: CIARA (Admin ECC)

Date / Time received:

2020-03-26 09:42

Area: NEW WESTMINSTER - SURREY - SOUTH COAST REGION

COORS OR#:

CALLER INFORMATION	
Caller Name:	s.22
Mail / Street	NA
Address:	
City:	NEW WESTMINSTER, BC
Postal Code:	
Referred By:	
Contact Numbers	
Cellular	s.22

VIOLATION DETAILS		
Violation Date:	03/26/2020	Violation Time:
Violation Type:	WILDLIFE	
Offense Witnessed:	harrassing wildlife	
Offense Location:	-	
Offense Details:	Advises that he wants to make a formal complaint about the s.22 but isnt a marine biologist or anything like that s.22	
	s.22	

DESCRIPTION				
Name (if known)	s.22			
Description	Sex	Race	Height	Weight
	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
	Build	Complexion	Distinguishing Features	
Clothing				
Vehicle				
Weapons				
Other Details				
	Sex	Race	Height	Weight
	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
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Description	Sex	Race	Height	Weight
	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
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Name (if known)				
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	Eyes	Hair	Glasses	Smoker
	Build	Complexion	Distinguishing Features	
Clothing				
Vehicle				
Weapons				
Other Details				

**Notification:**  
2020-03-26 10:12 Email to: Fraser South [CHILLIWACK , SURREY] [COS.FraserSouthZone@gov.bc.ca] Sent from SGPEP.ECC1@gov.bc.ca

**From:** Ellis, Sarah EMV-EX  
**To:** Kinsinger, Mark EMV-EX  
**Cc:** North, Scott EMV-EX  
**Subject:** COS Phone Tree  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 2:03:59 PM

2020-01-26	1726	s.22	s.22	Walking near Cowichan Lake and met a CO advising of elk poaching. As they walked in (Shaw M/L West, approx 8-9km), came across two men with a rifle. Not target shooting and they mentioned during conversation that it was a really good area for elk. COM has pic and video of SOCs, BCLP and vehicle associated. Please call weekdays after 5:30pm.	SIZ	Emailed
2020-01-27	1053		No #	Oak Bay - heard the wolf	SIZ	No Email required
2020-01-26	1555		s.22	Has a deer on his property sick or injured. Please call as he doesn't know what to do. Shawnigan Lake	SIZ	Emailed
2020-01-27	942	Female		"Needs a call back" to discuss wolf captured. It must be relocated at Discovery Island as per "The Nature of Things" tv program.	SIZ	Emailed

Thank you,

*Sarah Ellis*

Conservation Officer Service Administrative Assistant  
 Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy | 1812 Miracle Beach Drive Black Creek BC V9J 1K1  
 Telephone: 250 331-4463

Jan 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020

1542

Received call  
from ECC Hwco

19-29614 call.

1600

Called COM "not  
Vic PD as OO stated"  
updated sighting

1930

Attended wolf  
call @ James Bay  
CO KISSINGER  
DEKELVER sedated  
wolf and removed

~~W~~

**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#); [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves  
**Date:** February 4, 2020 10:30:16 AM

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Not sure if you guys got this one as well

Thanks

**From:** Isabelle Groc

**Sent:** January 29, 2020 1:36 PM

**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX

**Subject:** Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves

Dear Mark,

I am a writer and filmmaker based in Vancouver currently working on a feature documentary for the Knowledge Network on the relationships between people and wolves and wolf dogs. Through this film, we hope to raise awareness, and examine the nature of our engagement today with the wild through different lived experiences in which people get closer to wolves and wolves get closer to people, and the impacts.

We have followed the recent developments about the wolf that appeared in James Bay, and I am wondering if you would be available for a filmed interview to discuss the presence of this wolf in an urban neighbourhood and how you handle relationships with residents when things like this happen. I am also wondering if you have had experience with wolves or wolf dogs in the past that you could share.

If you are willing to do this, we would be happy to travel to Victoria to meet you. Sometime between February 6 and 13 would be great if you have time then. If there are other people that you think we should also speak to about this please let me know.

Please let me know what you think, and if you would like, I will be happy to have a phone conversation first about the film we are making.

Many thanks, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

Isabelle

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**From:** [Sano, Robin ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#); [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#); [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#); [Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Takaya / wolf in Port Renfrew  
**Date:** March 4, 2020 8:42:39 AM

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FYI

I got a excellent trail camera of Tanaka on private property just off Island road Pt. Renfrew last Thurs.

I received another picture from a guy who swore there was no ear tag when he saw a similar wolf exhibiting habituated non natural behaviour around his great pyrenes around the same time.

The coat and markings looked to me like tanaka. This wolfs interest in dogs and no real fear of humans made me question if there were two wolves.

I agree after being on scene and having her verify the markings.

Only one lone wolf being sighted in this area.

According to residents, local dog, walkers, first nations, and photographers there is another active pack in this area. Not seen much....

Robin Sano

Conservation Officer Service \ West Coast Region  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
5785 Duncan Street | Duncan B.C. V9L 3W6

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**From:** Wild Awake

**Sent:** March 1, 2020 8:45 AM

**To:** Sano, Robin ENV:EX

**Subject:** Takaya / wolf in Port Renfrew

Hi Robin,

Really appreciated meeting you yesterday and also that you took time to talk and provide the conservation perspective.

I have viewed the video from the property owner at the end of the road and it is definitely Takaya - there are not two wolves on Island Road.

Hopefully this makes it easier to address this challenging situation and find a way for Takaya to stay safe.

I will be in touch again shortly with further thoughts.

with gratitude,

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander

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**From:** [Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#); [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#); [Sano, Robin ENV:EX](#); [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Wolf Sighting Photo  
**Date:** January 25, 2020 11:47:27 AM

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** January 25, 2020 11:46 AM  
**To:** Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX <[Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Wolf Sighting Photo

Thanks for the call Richard. If you need anything else let me know. Was heading east across Pemberton Rd. Around 8:30ish this morning.

Excuse the poor photo. I didnt have my camera on hand and caught it heading back across the road.

s.22



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**From:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FYI  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 8:16:43 PM

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And it begins - note story says Cheryl was contacted by hunters

<https://vancouverisland.ctvnews.ca/takaya-the-lone-wolf-of-discovery-island-has-been-shot-and-killed-1.4868792>

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Isabelle Groc](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves  
**Date:** January 29, 2020 1:36:13 PM

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**From:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#); [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: The wolf shot is definitely Takaya  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 3:49:26 PM

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FYI...I am not sure who Cheryl is speaking with but she knows.

I will discuss with her shortly as planned.

s.13

Thanks,

Scott

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**From:** Wild Awake <[cheraalexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheraalexander@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** March-25-20 3:33 PM

**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX; Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX; Sano, Robin ENV:EX; Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX

**Subject:** The wolf shot is definitely Takaya

Please, I want his body to be returned.

Please ask the hunters for at least that.

Thank you

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander

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Facebook page for TAKAYA: @[takayalonewolf](#)

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**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#); [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Enquiry about Takaya for BBC News  
**Date:** February 3, 2020 9:58:53 AM

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Thoughts.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Almudena Garcia-parrado <[almudena.garcia-parrado@bbc.co.uk](mailto:almudena.garcia-parrado@bbc.co.uk)>  
**Date:** January 31, 2020 at 4:32:21 AM PST  
**To:** "[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)" <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Enquiry about Takaya for BBC News

Dear Mark,

I hope this email finds you well. I am contacting you from the BBC in London. Our channel released a film about Takaya last year and it had a great impact amongst our audience. The ratings for that film doubled the average and people still have a strong interest about the fate of Takaya.

First of all I would like to praise your conservation efforts and the fact that the wolf was not shot but relocated. Our viewers are very pleased about that.

We are preparing another piece about Takaya, after the recent events, and I would like to kindly ask for your assistance with information.

- Why do you think that Takaya left the island after 8 years ?
- where was he released and is it similar to the coastal habitat where he is used to hunt ?
- Our viewers were very moved by Cheryl Alexander's relationship with Takaya. Was she involved in Takaya's release ? Did she play a role in identifying that it was Takaya ? Was she allowed to see him at any point ?

Thank you so much for your help on this matter and I am looking forward to hearing from you. I am happy to give you a call if you prefer to talk over the phone.

Best wishes

Almudena

Almudena Garcia-Parrado  
Producer/ Director  
BBC News and Current affairs  
New Broadcasting House Portland Place London W1A 1AA  
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Mob +447986457420

**From:** [Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: TAKAYA  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 4:50:09 PM

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Helen

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX" <Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca>  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 at 11:54:00 AM PST  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** RE: TAKAYA

Hi s.22

Thanks for the photos! He does look like he is less than two in the initial photo. Since that makes him at least 8 years of age, lets go with that. His challenge is to find a new habitat. Wolves do this all the time. Packs get broken up and they redistribute. If he encounters an established pack he will likely avoid them but no one can predict that he will be accepted or attacked. If he finds another single wolf he may have company. He is quite a unique fellow so I think the best result is that we never do know – I wish him well.

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** January 28, 2020 10:59 AM  
**To:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: TAKAYA

Hello Helen...

Thank you for responding to my query and the information you provided. The one question I have concerns his age and whether it is possible to ascertain what that might be? I have sent you some images of Takaya that you can do with as you please.

This image is of Takaya when I first encountered him on 19 September 2012. He seems fully formed to me, but to a Veterinarian he may show some immaturity. For some reason we thought he might be a least two years old. What is your more knowledgeable assessment based on the image?  
<image001.jpg>

Over the many years that I have observed him from my kayak, he doesn't seem to have altered in any significant way regarding his physical structure. His fur coloration has



altered slightly over the years.

<image002.jpg>

This image provides details about his head and upper body. Although it seems that I am fairly close, the lens I employed was 600mm.

<image003.jpg>

From our observations over the last seven and a half years, his nose seems to be the one part that has been injured most often. Encounters with River Otters and Harbor Seals would I suspect be the cause. He also had a burden of fleas as we would see him scratching himself on numerous occasions.

He is certainly a remarkable, adaptable and intelligent animal. Hopefully those characteristics will insure his continued survival.

From your own prospective and years of study, what do you think his biggest challenges will be in the coming months? Kindest regards, s.22

On Jan 28, 2020, at 10:07 AM, Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX  
<[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi s.22

I have not and did not plan to produce anything formal. What was it you were looking for?

The wolf was an adult male of a similar coat colour to the wolf on Discovery/Chatham Is. He had one partially broken canine tooth, again similar to that wolf. He had recovered from an anesthesia the previous night and was alert and stable. I did not resedate him but after a visual examination and discussion with the Conservation Officer confirmed the wolf to be in good body condition, with a good haircoat and no injuries.

Due to his history and behaviour there was no reason not to release him. A hair sample was collected from between his shoulder blades and that is now archived at this time. He has a small yellow standard BC Wildlife ear tag as is done routinely after immobilizing wildlife. I do not have any photographs but know that there are lots out there.

Best,

Helen

Helen Schwantje DVM, MSc  
Wildlife Veterinarian/ Wildlife and Habitat Branch

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BC wildlife health website [www.gov.bc.ca/wildlifehealth](http://www.gov.bc.ca/wildlifehealth)

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22

Sent: January 28, 2020 9:59 AM

To: Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>

Subject: TAKAYA

Hello Helen...

Could you inform me about the availability of any report concerning the recent assessment prior to release of Takaya, the western wolf that had resided on the Oak Bay Islands beginning in June 2012. I first encountered Takaya on 19 Sept. 2012 and have had numerous encounters with him while kayaking amongst The Islands. If you would please inform me about any report and if a person could purchase it I would be most appreciative. Kindest regards, s.22

**From:** [Wild Awake](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Takaya's ear tag?  
**Date:** February 25, 2020 8:24:10 PM

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Mark, should have gone to you as well  
sorry - just forgot to reply all

Cheryl Alexander  
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From: **Wild Awake** <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)>  
Date: Tue, Feb 25, 2020 at 8:22 PM  
Subject: Re: Takaya's ear tag?  
To: Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>

Thanks Helen,

It is kind of amazing ...whether it is Takaya or not!  
The CO has said the ear tag is in the right ear???  
I'm assuming you know which one you put it in...

Would the ear tag be visible from the back or side?  
Or is it just inside the ear?

I have only seen one photo and it isn't of good enough quality to say for sure whether it IS or is NOT Takaya.

Could be.

It also could be that lone dispersing wolf that showed up on the end of 10Mile Point and then lived in the Blenkinsop valley for nearly four months. Last report of her was Sept near Elk Lake.

If they get some good images I will be able to tell whether it is Takaya, her or an entirely new wolf all together.

All quite fascinating.  
Hope you are enjoying being in the field!  
thanks for getting back to me  
Cheryl

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On Tue, Feb 25, 2020 at 8:02 PM Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX  
<[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

[cid:EE18EEA5-ABEA-468B-A6A6-EEAD8EBBCE0C]

Cheryl

On the left side

Very interesting!

Helen

On Feb 25, 2020, at 4:07 PM, Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Helen,

Could you please let me know the color and side of body where you placed the ear tag on Takaya.

There is currently a wolf that has shown up on Sidney Island and looks very similar to Takaya.

Many thanks,

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander

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**From:** [Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#); [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Takaya's ear tag?  
**Date:** February 25, 2020 5:46:06 PM

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Helen

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Wild Awake  
**Date:** February 25, 2020 at 4:07:21 PM PST  
**To:** "Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX"  
**Subject:** Takaya's ear tag?

Hi Helen,  
Could you please let me know the color and side of body where you placed the ear tag on Takaya.  
There is currently a wolf that has shown up on Sidney Island and looks very similar to Takaya.  
Many thanks,  
Cheryl

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**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Takaya  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 12:24:58 PM

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**From:** Richard Watts <[RWatts@timescolonist.com](mailto:RWatts@timescolonist.com)>  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 at 12:22:11 PM PDT  
**To:** "[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)" <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Takaya

Hello Mark Kissinger:

My name is Richard Watts and I am a reporter with the Times Colonist.

We are anxious to do a story on the wolf Takaya and what looks like the animal's death by a hunter.

Can you comment on this? Especially, does a visible ear tag warn away hunters?

I'm at 250-995-4435.

Yours.

**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: contact  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 2:56:21 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.jpg](#)

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This was sent yesterday, Sean has it

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX" <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 at 2:53:11 PM PST  
**To:** "Norris, Scott ENV:EX" <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>, "Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX" <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: contact

Can you guys provide the needed information?

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** McIndoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** January 28, 2020 2:31 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: contact

Good Afternoon Sean

Just wondering if you had received confirmation of the exact release location yet. We had discussed the SJ river yesterday. Our Wildlife dept. is diligently trying to keep our management team, stakeholders and First Nations liaisons duly informed with pertinent information. We will not be disseminating the release location as we know it. However, unconfirmed information has been also flowing inwards locally and from the West Coast Trail/ Renfrew area in regards to the release location. The common concern is that the wolf was released within proximity of a one of the communities without notification to the appropriate local Wildlife representatives.

I understand that the situation is fluid and that this consideration has probably already been accounted for.

Personally, I still have hope that he will make his way into the Park on the West Coast Trail. More chances for survival and a lot less urban hazards for him.

Thanks.

Jason (Jake) McIndoe

Resource Management Officer I

Pacific Rim National Park Reserve

Parks Canada/ Government of Canada

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[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca) / Tel: 250-726-7165 ext 239/ Cell:250-713-4633

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 1:41 PM

**To:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

I will find out where. I understand the release has taken place now

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** January 27, 2020 1:39 PM

**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Sean

Thanks for that. The tag was one of the recent topics of discussion that we were wondering. Could you let us know if the release location is anywhere near the West Coast Trail. I was hoping as much – that way I could keep a watch out while I am on patrol.

Jake

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 1:36 PM

**To:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Perfect – I confirmed that the wolf was ear tagged with COS yellow tags

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** January 27, 2020 1:23 PM

**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Sean

Thanks. I was able to get updated from Todd.

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 1:06 PM

**To:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Hi Jason – I spoke with Todd and filled him in. let me know if you need to speak directly.



Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** January 27, 2020 12:10 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: contact

Sean

See below.

PRNPR Wildlife Officer contact #s : (250) 713 4633 or (250) 726 7165 ext. 239 or 234

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC)  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 12:07 PM  
**To:** Harbidge, Tyler (PC) <[tyler.harbidge@canada.ca](mailto:tyler.harbidge@canada.ca)>  
**Cc:** Armstrong, Arlene (PC) <[arlene.armstrong@canada.ca](mailto:arlene.armstrong@canada.ca)>; Cardinal, Nathan (PC) <[nathan.cardinal@canada.ca](mailto:nathan.cardinal@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: contact

Tyler

Went straight to voicemail. Left Sean with PRNPR contact #'s and a message. If I do not hear from them by 14:00hrs then myself or Arlene will re-contact.

Jake

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**From:** Harbidge, Tyler (PC) <[tyler.harbidge@canada.ca](mailto:tyler.harbidge@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 11:32 AM  
**To:** Armstrong, Arlene (PC) <[arlene.armstrong@canada.ca](mailto:arlene.armstrong@canada.ca)>  
**Cc:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: contact

Can you reach out to this person.

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Tyler Harbidge

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**From:** Cardinal, Nathan (PC) <[nathan.cardinal@canada.ca](mailto:nathan.cardinal@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 11:28 AM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Harbidge, Tyler (PC) <[tyler.harbidge@canada.ca](mailto:tyler.harbidge@canada.ca)>; Janssen, Michael (PC) <[michael.janssen@canada.ca](mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: contact

Hi Sean,  
If you want to reach out to Tyler Harbidge at Pac Rim, he'll be able to follow up with you further.  
Tyler's contact info is below.  
Cheers,  
Nathan  
Tyler Harbidge  
Resource Conservation Manager (acting) | Gestionnaire de la conservation des ressources (intérimaire)  
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**From:** Janssen, Michael (PC) <[michael.janssen@canada.ca](mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 10:23 AM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Cardinal, Nathan (PC) <[nathan.cardinal@canada.ca](mailto:nathan.cardinal@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: contact

Hi Sean,  
Nathan is making some calls and will advise on who at Pac Rim is currently best to speak with.  
Thanks,  
Mike

Michael Janssen, MSc, PMP, RPBio  
Project Coordinator | Coordinateur de projet  
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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 9:31 AM  
**To:** Janssen, Michael (PC) <[michael.janssen@canada.ca](mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** contact

Hi Mike – do you have a contact for Pac Rim Park I could chat with?

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<!--[if !vml]--><!--[endif]-->**Sean Pendergast, RPBio**  
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Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations | West Coast Region  
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**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: wolf update  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 12:32:05 PM

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Cindy Harnett <[CHarnett@timescolonist.com](mailto:CHarnett@timescolonist.com)>  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 at 11:22:22 AM PST  
**To:** "[mark.kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:mark.kissinger@gov.bc.ca)" <[mark.kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:mark.kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** wolf update

Hello Mark,

Can you update me please on:

- <!--[if !supportLists]-->1) <!--[endif]-->Next steps for the James Bay wolf
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->2) <!--[endif]-->What are the possible areas for relocation –  
Discovery Island? When might that happen. What are considerations –  
challenges.
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->3) <!--[endif]-->Confirm wolf is cleared medically by vet  
please
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->4) <!--[endif]-->Identify of wolf; whether it's yet known if  
he's the Discovery Island wolf
- <!--[if !supportLists]-->5) <!--[endif]-->Gender and weight and possible age of wolf.

Thanks! Cindy

Cindy E. Harnett

Times Colonist reporter

Health/Federal politics

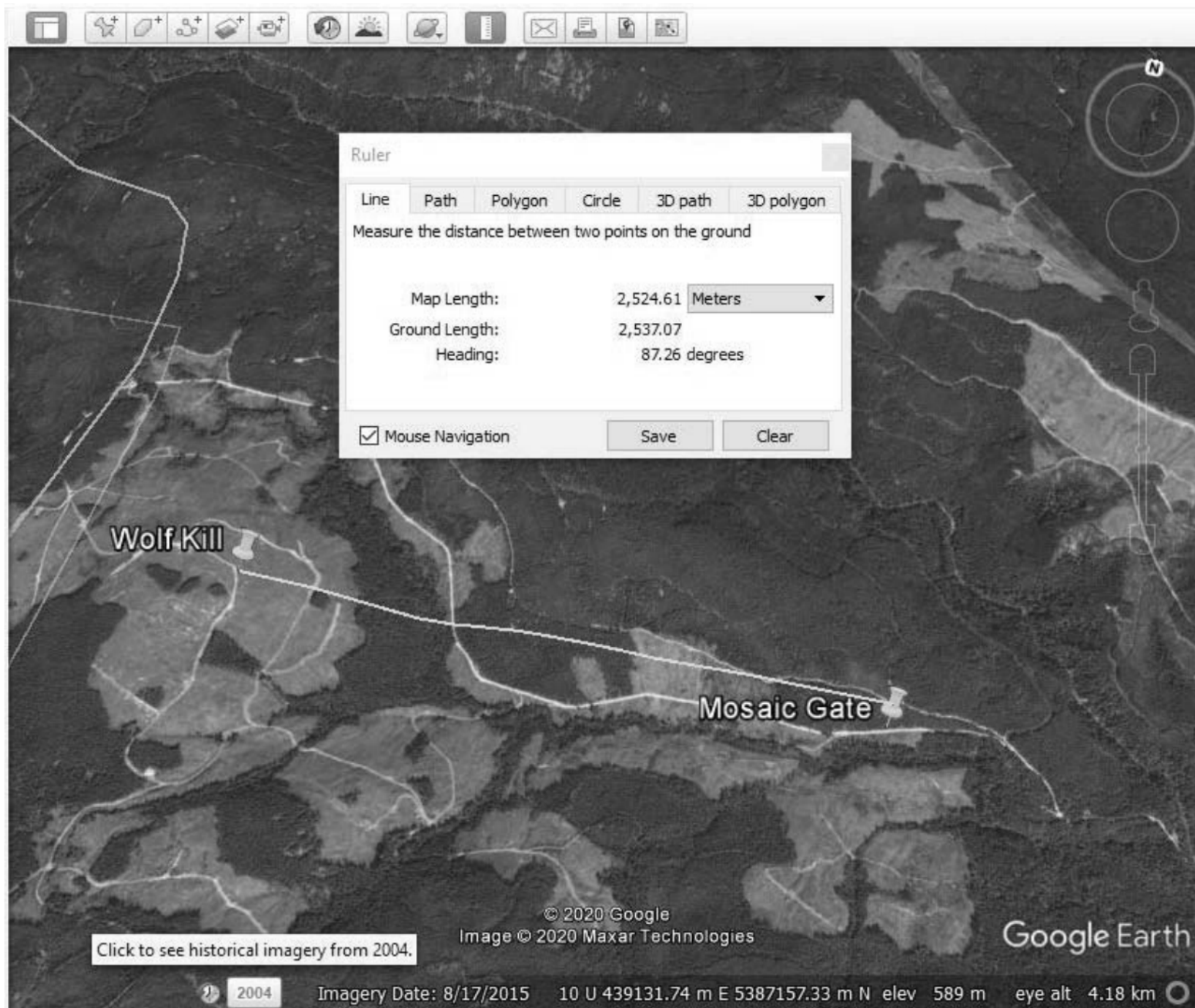
250-380-5348 (direct)

250-213-3603 (cell)

[ceharnett@timescolonist.com](mailto:ceharnett@timescolonist.com)

@cindyeharnett





**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX  
**Cc:** Bell, Danielle I ENV:EX  
**Subject:** HEADS UP - public interest likely- Fwd: HWCR 19-30736 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - PORT RENFREW  
**Date:** February 29, 2020 12:35:01 PM

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Long story short - the "Discovery Island" wolf relocated from Victoria to WCVI has worked its way down to Port Renfrew. It is exhibiting habituated and escort behaviour. COS monitoring at this point.

*Insp. Ben York*  
Officer I/C, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Sano, Robin ENV:EX" <Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca>  
**Date:** February 29, 2020 at 9:51:33 AM PST  
**To:** "Pauwels, Charlene M ENV:EX" <Charlene.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** "Norris, Scott ENV:EX" <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>, "Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX" <Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca>, "Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX" <Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>, "Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX" <Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca>, "Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX" <Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca>, "Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX" <Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca>, "York, Ben A ENV:EX" <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: HWCR 19-30736 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - PORT RENFREW

Got.

On February 29, 2020 CO SANO(SANO) called COM. COM stated the following:

Two weeks ago his close friend who walks multiple dogs was walking on private trails and land at the end of Island rd. north east of Port Renfrew. She saw a wolf approach and her dogs were barking at it. It appeared and disappeared into the forest and shadowed her dogs parallel as they were walking. No aggressive behaviour noted by the wolf. The dogs with COM chased the wolf away. The female then contacted s.22 who attended this property to look for the wolf.

On Thursday February 27 2020, the same female was walking multiple dogs on island rd. On the North (park) side of the road she noticed that the wolf was intrigued by her dogs and was paralleling her movements as she moved up the road. The female then departed without incident. She then contacted her friend the COM for this report. He stated he then attended Island road with his husky and small dog. He was walking up the road when the wolf appeared to follow his dogs from the treeline. The wolf and his dog were communicating both making whimpering noises. COM's little dog charged at the wolf and the wolf exhibited no aggressive behaviour the two dogs were nose to nose. COM called his dog back and his dog would not come to him. The wolf then ran away at high speed into the forest. COM continued his walk up the road for 10 minutes without seeing the wolf. He then notices 80 ft behind him the wolf was walking up the road behind him. The wolf and his dog was wining back and forth to each other. At 30 feet away COM yelled at the wolf who responded and would stop or run off into the bushes. The wolf would continue to follow COM at a distance. For the whole encounter the wolf was on the North side of Island road. The COM turned around to go back to his vehicle and at 30 ft the wolf stood its ground. COM approached and the wolf ran off and continued to follow until they reached the vehicle. He then yelled at the wolf who went into the treeline. As soon as COM was in motion in his vehicle was heading down the road the wolf emerged and trotted and followed the vehicle as COM left.

COM stated he owns dogs s.22 and is not an expert in wolf behaviour. He did not note to SANO that he felt the wolf was not predatory towards his dogs.

CO SANO spoke to Sargent NORRIS at 0930 am to discuss next steps.

Robin Sano  
Conservation Officer Service \ West Coast Region  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
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-----Original Message-----

From: COS South Island Zone ENV:EX <COS.South.Island.Zone@gov.bc.ca>  
Sent: February 28, 2020 5:11 PM  
To: Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>; Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca>;  
Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX <Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca>; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>;  
Sano, Robin ENV:EX <Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca>  
Subject: FW: HWCR 19-30736 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - PORT RENFREW

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From: ecc.ops1@pep.gov.bc.ca  
Sent: February-28-20 5:10:53 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
To: COS South Island Zone ENV:EX  
Subject: HWCR 19-30736 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - PORT RENFREW

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Human Wildlife Conflict Report #19-30736 Complaint Received By: JACOB (Operations 1 ECC) Date / Time received:  
2020-02-28 16:56  
Area: PORT RENFREW - VICTORIA - WEST COAST REGION

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Location: SAME ADDRESS

Location Description:

Caller Name: s.22

Mail / Street Address / City: s.22

BC Postal Code:

Referred By:

CONTACT NUMBERS

Cellular: s.22

OCCURRENCE INFORMATION

Incident Date Time: 2020-02-28 16:56

Species Involved: WOLF

Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE

Nature of Complaint: SIGHTINGS

Action Taken: EMAILED CO

Details: Caller advised of a wolf sighting at the beginning of Island Rd.

He was walking his dogs and saw the wolf sniffing his dog. After the wolf fled he followed it into the forested area and advised that he saw it within 30 feet multiple times before heading back toward his truck. He advised the animal had a yellow tag on its left ear.

ACTIONS TAKEN





**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX []  
**To:** Kondas, Greg ENV:EX [Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca]; Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX [Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca]; Airey, David ENV:EX [David.Airey@gov.bc.ca]  
**Subject:** FW: Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 24, 2020 13:58:18

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FYI

**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 24, 2020 1:53 PM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>; Bates, Stuart A ENV:EX <Stuart.Bates@gov.bc.ca>; Newton, Mike C ENV:EX <Mike.C.Newton@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today

We have credible information that the wolf relocated from Victoria area by COS in January has been shot and killed by a cougar hunter near Shawnigan Lake this morning. SIZ officers are investigating to determine circumstances and legality. Probably a legitimate hunter kill (currently open season) in which case we will not seize it. Information (including a pic of the ear tag) is currently circulating on local cougar hunter social media sites. This community is fairly "porous" so we can assume it will eventually become public knowledge with subsequent backlash.

More info as it becomes available. Recommended messaging is COS is investigating to determine legality, all other questions regarding wolf hunting or special protection diverted to FLNRORD.

***Inspector Ben York***

Officer in Charge, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
(250) 751-3163 (d) (250) 755-5816 (c)

**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX []  
**To:** Conservation Officer Service ENV:EX [Conservation.Officer.Service@gov.bc.ca]  
**Subject:** RE: Takaya  
**Date:** Monday, February 03, 2020 13:26:39

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You can forward to Ben York.

Chris

-----Original Message-----

From: Conservation Officer Service ENV:EX <Conservation.Officer.Service@gov.bc.ca>  
Sent: February 3, 2020 12:16 PM  
To: Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>  
Subject: FW: Takaya

Chris, sorry I am not aware who Takaya is?

Do you wish to respond to this person or someone in the Region or should I just file it in the COS Mailbox?

Thanks!

Carrie

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22  
Sent: February 3, 2020 11:56 AM  
To: Conservation Officer Service ENV:EX <Conservation.Officer.Service@gov.bc.ca>  
Subject: Takaya

Thank you for your efforts to find , contain Takaya , and safely release him to live out his incredible life in freedom and safety on Vancouver Island.

Regards,  
s.22

Sent from my iPad

**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX []  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX [Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca]; Karn, David GCPE:EX [David.Karn@gov.bc.ca]; York, Ben A ENV:EX [Ben.York@gov.bc.ca]  
**Subject:** FW: Enquiry about Takaya for BBC News  
**Date:** Friday, January 31, 2020 08:45:36

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For someone from West Coast to respond to.

Chris

**From:** Almudena Garcia-parrado <almudena.garcia-parrado@bbc.co.uk>  
**Sent:** January 31, 2020 4:28 AM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Enquiry about Takaya for BBC News

Dear Chris,

I hope this email finds you well. I am contacting you from the BBC in London. Our channel released a film about Takaya last year and it had a great impact amongst our audience. The ratings for that film doubled the average and people still have a strong interest about the fate of Takaya.

First of all I would like to praise your conservation efforts and the fact that the wolf was not shot but relocated. Our viewers are very pleased about that.

We are preparing another piece about Takaya, after the recent events, and I would like to kindly ask for your assistance with information.

- Why do you think that Takaya left the island after 8 years ?
- where was he released and is it similar to the coastal habitat where he is used to hunt ?
- Our viewers were very moved by Cheryl Alexander's relationship with Takaya. Was she involved in Takaya's release ? Did she play a role in identifying that it was Takaya ? Was she allowed to see him at any point ?

Thank you so much for your help on this matter and I am looking forward to hearing from you. I am happy to give you a call if you prefer to talk over the phone.

Best wishes

Almudena

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BBC News and Current affairs  
New Broadcasting House Portland Place London W1A 1AA  
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**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX []  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX [Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca]  
**Subject:** Re: Media requests - CHEK - TC - CTV - wolf  
**Date:** Monday, January 27, 2020 16:18:04

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I think we can roll with it

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 27, 2020, at 3:16 PM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

Should I call Doug or?

**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
**Sent:** January 27, 2020 2:29 PM  
**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca>; Karn, David GCPE:EX <David.Karn@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>; York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>; Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX <Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca>; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>  
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Thanks  
Mark Kissinger

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On Jan 27, 2020, at 2:05 PM, Karn, David GCPE:EX <[David.Karn@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Karn@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Mark, let me know your availability and I can advise media where they can meet you for on-camera. The Times Colonist is a phone interview.

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**Deadline** Monday, January 27, 2020 3:30 PM

**Request**

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David Karn  
Media Relations  
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Mobile: 250-213-3760

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**Date:** Monday, January 27, 2020 16:03:09

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Thanks Mark,

Chris

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Got to all the media in time, hopefully that's it?? I'll have to update the forms tonight or tomorrow.

Thanks  
Mark

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Thanks, D.

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**Subject:** RE: Media requests - CHEK - Times Colonist - wolf update  
**Date:** Monday, January 27, 2020 11:56:29

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Danielle might have enough info for bullets

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**Subject:** Re: Media requests - CHEK - Times Colonist - wolf update

I am unfortunately unavailable...just got on the water taxi to Mayne Island open house and not back until four or later.

Mark could possibly handle when he returns but we have other calls to attend to so he may be tied up too.

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 27, 2020, at 10:48 AM, Karn, David GCPE:EX <[David.Karn@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Karn@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Scott,

I expect we'll get more requests. Let me know if you want to handle all media today. I'm directing media to the social channels for now.

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**Recommendation**

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**CC:** York, Ben A ENV:EX [Ben.York@gov.bc.ca]  
**Subject:** RE: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture  
**Date:** Monday, January 27, 2020 10:59:29

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Great thanks,

Cheral just called me.

Can you phone her when you get a chance:

s.22

Or 250-588-6882

**From:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** January 27, 2020 9:57 AM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>; Badry, Micheal J ENV:EX <Mike.Badry@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture

FYI...I will call Cheryl shortly as per below.

I just spoke with the Songhees Chief...he heard me on CFAx and understands that the wolf was looking for something and is ok with the fact that we are relocating. He was happy that I reached out.

Sergeant Scott Norris | Conservation Officer Service | 250 746-1208

**From:** Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** January 27, 2020 9:38 AM  
**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture

I am being inundated with media requests and would like to be able to speak intelligently about the situation. I hope to be able to say that the conservation service has been very transparent. I think this is so important in this rather high profile case

Please call me at m.s.22

Thank you

Cheryl

On Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 9:35 AM Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Scott

Could we please speak by phone?

On Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 9:26 AM Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Cheryl

Thank you for providing these great photos. It does appear to be the Discovery Island wolf but we are still not 100% sure.

The vet assessed him earlier this morning and he is in transit now to a new home.

I am sorry we could not wait to meet you but in the interest of the wolf's health and safety we wanted to get him back out as soon as possible.

Do you by any chance have DNA samples? Hair with roots intact would be ideal?

The Vet is going to analyze the DNA we collected and it would be great to compare so we can confirm.

Please let me know so we could meet to pick it up the sample if you have any.

Thanks,

Scott

Sergeant Scott Norris|Conservation Officer Service|250 746-1208

**From:** Wild Awake <[cheraalexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheraalexander@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** January 27, 2020 7:25 AM

**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>; Badry, Micheal J ENV:EX <[Mike.Badry@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Badry@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture

Good morning Mike,

I am sending a couple of other images of Takaya's teeth which will likely confirm it is him.

After sending you these previous images I looked at other footage where you can see his teeth and I realized that the footage I sent you previously has been flopped in editing and so the missing or broken top tooth is really on the right as you can see from the attached images.

I hope to hear from you soon about being able to come to where he is at the vet.

Many thanks,

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander

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[www.wildawake.com](http://www.wildawake.com)

On Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 12:03 AM Wild Awake <[cheraalexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheraalexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Mark,

As promised, here are some stills that show Takaya's teeth.

I thought you said that the wolf was missing a top right tooth? But Takaya's is top left.

Perhaps I misheard? It was an emotional moment for sure.

It is extremely important to me to be able to come and see Takaya tomorrow. I hope that the

Conservation Service will honour my request. This wolf is not just a wildlife statistic ...<sup>s.22</sup>  
s.22 and news of him and his unique life has spread far and wide.

You indicated that you'd seen the film and know Takaya's mouth and teeth. In case your supervisors have not seen the film i am sending a link to the BBC version of the film ... it is the longer version and only available in the UK. It is only to be used for the information of the Conservation Service as it is copyright protected by Cineflix media who own the worldwide rights. The password is<sup>s.15</sup>

<https://vimeo.com/364214552>

Since the wolf in James Bay event, I have received an avalanche of correspondence from all over the UK and Canada, via social media. There are many people who have been following Takaya's story and really care about what happens to him.

I need to be able to communicate with them about how Takaya is and what will happen to him.

s.22

I am cc'ing my request to your superiors as you indicated that they are the ones who will consider my request.

Many thanks for being so careful and sensitive in how you handled this situation tonight. The Conservation Service should feel very proud of the skill and compassion with which you treated this magnificent animal.

With respect and gratitude,  
Cheryl Alexander

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Subject Victoria Wolf

Date / Time of Contact 1/26/2020 12:45 PM

Officer Name KISSINGER, Mark

Rank Conservation Officer

Region / Unit West Coast

Office Location Duncan

Cell # **s.22**

Media Format TV; TV phone Call

Media Outlet CTV 2, Anna

How did you provide the information? By Phone

Summary

The last wolf sighting was reported yesterday.  
The wolf was not showing aggressive behaviour  
The wolf was observed fleeing from people  
Have not been able to confirm if this is the Discovery Island  
Wolf or not  
The officers are treating the sighting as a wolf due to photos  
and behaviour, No DNA has been looked at.

We are asking the public not to corner or attempt to catch  
the wolf and to give it a clear exit route

To call BC Conservation Officer service or Police if they  
observe it



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Media Contact Status	CONCLUDED
Subject	Victoria wolf
Date / Time of Contact	1/30/2020 11:55 AM
Officer Name	NORRIS, Scott
Rank	Sergeant
Region / Unit	West Coast
Office Location	Duncan
Cell #	<b>s.22</b>
Media Format	Print; Online news
Media Outlet	Leyland Cecco – Guardian News Paper (UK) <b>s.22</b>
How did you provide the information?	By Phone
Summary	<p>Reporter asked if the COS radio collared the wolf  Sgt explained no - COS wanted to minimize handling time and ensure animal was released as soon as possible.  Reporter asked how we will know if it dies or survives  Sgt explained that an ear tag was put in but also that the wolf was at least 9 years old and wolves typically only live 10-12 years in the wild  Sgt explained about capture myopathy as well.  Reporter asked why it left the island - Sgt explained there were many theories such as loneliness but this is an unknown. Further that the wolf was healthy so food was likely not an issue.  Reporter asked how often this happens - Sgt explained very rare but there are wolves close to Victoria and is possible in the future. Discussed corridors for wolves (and other wildlife) which funnels them into downtown Victoria.  Discussed cougar sightings being much more prevalent in Victoria as well.</p>

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Media Contact Status	CONCLUDED
Subject	Victoria wolf follow up
Date / Time of Contact	2/3/2020 9:55 AM
Officer Name	NORRIS, Scott
Rank	Sergeant
Region / Unit	West Coast
Office Location	Duncan
Cell #	<b>s.22</b>
Media Format	TV; Online news
Media Outlet	Almudena Garcia-Parrado Producer/ Director BBC News and Current affairs New Broadcasting House Portland Place London W1A 1AA Email : Almudena.garcia-parrado@bbc.co.uk Mob <b>s.22</b>

How did you provide the information? By Phone


Summary	<p>Sgt Norris explained balance between public safety and conservation.</p> <p>Discussed how difficult safely catching a wolf or other predator in an urban environment is - officers did a great job.</p> <p>Discussed possible reasons the wolf left Discovery Island, age and health, general location of release.</p> <p>Reporter wants to come to BC to do a follow up story in the spring and asked if the COS would assist - Sgt replied yes and also suggested she request BC Parks and Parks Canada as partners.</p>
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Media Contact Status	CONCLUDED
Subject	Wolf Tranqued in James Bay
Date / Time of Contact	2/11/2020 12:00 AM
Officer Name	KISSINGER, Mark
Rank	Conservation Officer
Region / Unit	West Coast
Office Location	Duncan
Cell #	<b>s.22</b>
Media Format	TV
Media Outlet	Knowledge Network Isabella Groc
How did you provide the information?	In-person
Summary	Provided an account of what occurred the night that takaya the wolf was captured in James Bay.

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Media Contact Status	CONCLUDED
Subject	Victoria Wolf
Date / Time of Contact	2/12/2020 2:00 PM
Officer Name	NORRIS, Scott
Rank	Sergeant
Region / Unit	West Coast
Office Location	Duncan
Cell #	s.22
Media Format	Print; Online news
Media Outlet	Justine Hunter, Globe and Mail 250-220-2718
How did you provide the information?	By Phone
Summary	Discussed: Safety issues of a wolf in a city How often this happens Challenges of capturing a wolf in an urban area - teamwork involved in being successful Location it was moved to and why Why it wasn't put back on Discovery Island Challenges of moving wildlife into home ranges of resident animals Age and condition of the wolf Number of wolves on VI...I advised the population was healthy but she needs to ask biologists for numbers

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Subject	Wolf Sightings - Sidney
Date / Time of Contact	2/26/2020 12:00 AM
Officer Name	NORRIS, Scott
Rank	Sergeant
Region / Unit	West Coast
Office Location	Duncan
Cell #	<b>s.22</b>
Media Format	Print; Online news
Media Outlet	Justine Hunter, Globe and Mail - BC Bureau jhunter@globeandmail.com 250-220-2718 c: <b>s.22</b>

How did you provide the information? By Phone

Summary	<p>Lots of questions about deer - explained seasons for fallow and black tail</p> <p>Wolf sightings on Sidney island over the past few days</p> <p>Sidney Island strata allowing hunters this weekend - explained there is an open season for fallow deer and wolf is open as well</p> <p>COS does not believe the Sidney Island wolf is the Discovery Island wolf based on photos received.</p> <p>Discussed general wildlife populations - advised to speak with biologists for more accurate populations if required.</p> <p>Reporter will call Parks Canada and Sidney Isl strata council for more info.</p>
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Media Contact Status	CONCLUDED
Subject	Wolf relocated from Victoria killed by hunter
Date / Time of Contact	3/25/2020 7:00 PM
Officer Name	YORK, Ben
Rank	Inspector
Region / Unit	West Coast
Office Location	Nanaimo
Cell #	<b>s.22</b>
Media Format	Print; Online news
Media Outlet	Globe and Mail, Justine Hunter
How did you provide the information?	By Phone
Summary	<p>Initiated by Insp. York at direction of MO. Called to notify reporter of the following:</p> <p>The Discovery Island wolf, that was relocated from James Bay earlier this year has been shot and killed by a hunter, the Conservation Officer Service can confirm. We understand many British Columbians and people around the world shared care and concern for the well-being of this wolf and this update will affect many people.</p> <p>The wolf was killed on Tuesday March 24 near Shawnigan Lake, approximately 50 kilometres away from where it was released in late January.</p> <p>Conservation Officers released the wolf in rugged and remote wilderness outside of Port Renfrew, on the west side of Vancouver Island. This isolated coastal habitat similar to Discovery Island was carefully chosen to give the wolf the best chance possible. This decision was made in consultation with biologists from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), as well as the Provincial Wildlife Veterinarian.</p> <p>The wolf was not taken back to Discovery Island as it left for a reason – it may have been looking for food or resources. For the safety of the public and the animal, the wolf was relocated out of the urban environment in Victoria. The provincial hunting regulations are administered by</p>

FLNRORD.

The COS investigation is ongoing and further details will be released as they become available.

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**From:** [Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#); [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#); [Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Media request - CBC Nature of Things - Takaya wolf - follow-up questions  
**Date:** March 16, 2020 9:48:13 AM

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Hi Mark,

I'm filling in for David Karn on the media phone and I just got a call from a freelancer working for CBC's the Nature of Things named Laura Boast.

She was hoping you – or someone else who's dealt with Takaya the wolf – could give her a call sometime this morning.

She had a few questions she let me know in advance – she wanted more on the rationale for returning him to Vancouver Island; she had heard a rumor Takaya likes dogs and wanted to chat about that, in case COS has advice for people with dogs; and she had heard concerns that Takaya may come into contact with hunters/trappers.

Let me know if you're able to connect with her this morning – her phone –s.22 email:  
[lauraboast@bell.net](mailto:lauraboast@bell.net)

Thanks,

**Andrew Patrick | Public Affairs Officer**

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
Government Communications and Public Engagement  
Cell: 250 893-7081

**From:** [Karn, David GCPE:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#); [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#); [Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX](#); [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#); [Sano, Robin ENV:EX](#); [Roth, Pamela GCPE:EX](#); [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Media request - Globe and Mail - Takaya and Sidney Isle wolf  
**Date:** February 26, 2020 10:01:14 AM

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Scott,

**Reporter**

Justine Hunter, Globe and Mail - BC Bureau

[jhunter@globeandmail.com](mailto:jhunter@globeandmail.com)

250-220-2718 c: 250-857-4779

**Deadline** ASAP

**Request**

I'm hoping to be clear today to write my wolf story. So I just wanted to check in with conservation services to see if anything has changed since I talked to them – any sightings, reports of Takaya?

I've heard that there has been a wolf sighting on Sidney island, and Conservation is involved. Also that there is an approved hunt starting on Saturday on the island, and that shooting the wolf would be permitted. So would really appreciate some details on that. Would CS relocate a wolf from Sidney island?



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**Subject:** Media request - Knowledge Network - James Bay wolf  
**Date:** February 6, 2020 9:48:15 AM

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Scott,

I've spoken to the reporter and have no concerns with the CO doing the interview.

**Reporter**

Isabelle Groc , Knowledge Network  
[isabelle.groc@gmail.com](mailto:isabelle.groc@gmail.com)

**Deadline** N/A

**Request**

Vancouver-based filmmaker working on a feature documentary for the Knowledge Network on the relationships between people and wolves and wolf dogs. through the film they hope to raise awareness, and examine the nature of our engagement today with the wild through different lived experiences in which people get closer to wolves and wolves get closer to people, and the impacts.

We have followed the recent developments about the wolf that appeared in James Bay, and seeking an on-camera interview with Mark Kissinger to discuss the presence of this wolf in an urban neighbourhood and how you handle relationships with residents when things like this happen. I am also wondering if you have had experience with wolves or wolf dogs in the past that you could share.

If Mark is willing to do this, we would be happy to travel to Victoria to meet him on Monday or Tuesday (Feb 10 or 11) would be great if you have time them. If there are other people that you think we should also speak to about this please let me know.

**Recommendation**

ok

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**Subject:** Media requests - CHEK - TC - CTV - wolf  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 2:05:04 PM

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Mark, let me know your availability and I can advise media where they can meet you for on-camera. The Times Colonist is a phone interview.

**Reporters**

Cindy Harnett, Reporter  
Times Colonist  
[CHarnett@timescolonist.com](mailto:CHarnett@timescolonist.com)  
250-380-5348 c: 250-213-3603

Tess van Straaten, Reporter  
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250-480-3700 c: 250-885-7577

Jason Hallman, Editor  
CTV Vancouver Island - Victoria  
[Jason.Hallman@bellmedia.ca](mailto:Jason.Hallman@bellmedia.ca)  
250-414-6510 c: s.22

**Deadline** Monday, January 27, 2020 3:30 PM

**Request**

looking for an update on the wolf today. I've called and messaged BC Conservation but haven't heard back. Just wondering if they were able to confirm the wolf is Takaya? And is it being relocated to the West Coast?

David Karn  
Media Relations  
Ministry of Environment  
Mobile: 250-213-3760

**From:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Ron.Sam@songheesnation.com](mailto:Ron.Sam@songheesnation.com)  
**Subject:** Wolf captured  
**Date:** January 26, 2020 7:39:53 PM

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Hi Chief

I just wanted to keep you in the loop that we captured the wolf in James Bay tonight.

Can you call me tomorrow to discuss please?

I am a local Conservation Officer.

My cell is s.22

Thanks

Scott

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: COS PHONE TREE - MEDIA REQUEST  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 9:43:22 AM

Lol sound good!

**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 26, 2020 9:43 AM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: COS PHONE TREE - MEDIA REQUEST

s.22

**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 26, 2020 9:41 AM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: COS PHONE TREE - MEDIA REQUEST

Yes, so I'll take this one – thanks!  
If reporters call you directly, please ask them to call the media line at 250 953 3834.  
Thanks!

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**Sent:** March 26, 2020 9:39 AM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: COS PHONE TREE - MEDIA REQUEST

I'll assume you/GCPE will handle unless you say otherwise.  
b

**From:** Wilson, Marie L ENV:EX <Marie.Wilson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 26, 2020 9:33 AM  
**To:** Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** COS PHONE TREE - MEDIA REQUEST

2020-03-25	751	Andy Neal, CHEK News	s.22	Has seen a FB post indicating Takaya wolf has been killed by hunter. Looking for confirmation.
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Marie Wilson  
Conservation Officer Service Admin Assistant  
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**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Draft Wording/Bullets CLIFF ID 255024  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 3:15:00 PM

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Definitely not Mike. s.16

s.16

We are continuing with our investigation and have not taken any steps to acquire the wolf hide at this point.

s.16

Finally, he sent the same message via text to south island CO's this morning as a heads up and request that they help if possible. Sgt Norris replied that his request had been passed up the chain of command.

***Inspector Ben York***

Officer in Charge, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
(250) 751-3163 (d) (250) 755-5816 (c)

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**From:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca>

**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:07 PM

**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** FW: Draft Wording/Bullets CLIFF ID 255024

Hi Ben,

I just received this correspondence request and want to ensure the wording is consistent with your next steps. Jen advised to reply today and we want to make sure I've captured actions appropriately.

Can you please review?

Thanks,

Michael

Dear Ian Cesarec,

Thank you for your email and I would like update you on the ongoing efforts by the Province in this matter.

s.13; s.16

We will be in contact soon.

With Respect,

Tom Ethier

**From:** DM-CSS <[FLNR.Correspondence@gov.bc.ca](mailto:FLNR.Correspondence@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 27, 2020 1:22 PM

**To:** McNeill, Diana A FLNR:EX <[Diana.McNeill@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Diana.McNeill@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** McNeill, Diana A FLNR:EX <[Diana.McNeill@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Diana.McNeill@gov.bc.ca)>; Wilkinson, Kiera FLNR:EX <[Kiera.Wilkinson@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kiera.Wilkinson@gov.bc.ca)>

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Separate response from batch:

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This is due to CSS by April 17.

DM-CSS **Referral Slip for ID:255024**

2020/03/27

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<b>Batch:</b>	<b>Sig Level:</b> Assistant Deputy Minister	

Author

Written: 2020/03/27 Resp Type:

Type: First Nation

Ian Cesarec

Songhees Lands and Resources

Rescue & First Aid Systems Training RFAST

Email: s.22

Received: 2020/03/27 File No.:

Due: 2020/04/20 Entered By: s.15

Approved: Approved  
By:

Signed: Signed By:

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Address To: Premier Horgan

Copy To: Minister Donaldson

Rsp Office: RS-Wildlife and Habitat

Issue: Provincial hunting regulations

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Drafter:

With BN:

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**Subject**

Songhees FN and it's wolf

**Log Notes**

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**Subject:** RE: Enforcement intel ASAP please  
**Date:** March 23, 2020 10:57:59 AM

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Ben,

For SIZ we had a total of 3 charges and 1 warning last week:

- s.22 w/o licence, charge by VT
- s.22 , charge by VT
- Fail to have proof of competency on board a pleasure craft, charge by Fed Contravention Ticket
- OBSCR , burn contrary to venting index, warning ticket

Significant files or issues:

- Unauthorized harvest of 2 cow elk at Youbou, no suspects at this time
- Takaya (Discovery island Wolf) still hanging around Port Renfrew. Not generating HWCR's or complaints but being observed displaying habituated behaviour. Documentary film maker Cheryl Alexander is in the area working on Part 2 of her Takaya project. Part 2 will likely be critical of COS actions, specifically in not taking the wolf back to Discovery when it was captured in February.

Zone specific enforcement concerns:

- Unauthorized elk harvests – 2 last week, 2 the week before, that we know of. Seems quite a bit higher than normal for this time of year. Could be an indication that some people are using the real or perceived shortage of meat in the grocery stores to justify filling up the larder with some high quality protein.

Observations or anecdotes:

- Extremely busy at SIZ parks and recreation areas. Parking lots jammed beyond capacity over the weekend. Probably due to a combination of good weather and people needing a way to get out of the house with few other options remaining for entertainment. Very busy at local marinas as well.

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 23, 2020 8:51 AM  
**To:** Gudbranson, Gordon ENV:EX <Gordon.Gudbranson@gov.bc.ca>; Newton, Mike C ENV:EX <Mike.C.Newton@gov.bc.ca>; Bates, Stuart A ENV:EX <Stuart.Bates@gov.bc.ca>; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>



**Cc:** Pauwels, Charlene M ENV:EX <Charlene.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>; Ellis, Sarah ENV:EX <Sarah.Ellis@gov.bc.ca>; Sexton, Denise ENV:EX <Denise.Sexton@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** Enforcement intel ASAP please

Sgt's

This last weekend saw a significant spike in ERS's province-wide; all sorts of violations from open burning to ORV's and everything in between. Probably a combo of good weather, folks away from work, and maybe even a post-apocalyptic WROL mindset. Deputy Chief Doyle is looking for intel to assess how much our overall enforcement workload is increasing.

Please send me ASAP:

- Number of charges/tickets/warnings from the previous week
- Significant files or issues arising in the last week
- Region/zone specific enforcement concerns from last week or anticipated upcoming
- Any other observations or anecdotes that might be relevant to Doyle's ask

ASAP means early afternoon today (latest) please.

*Insp. Ben York*

Officer I/C, West Coast Region

Conservation Officer Service

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**From:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: FYI Wolf  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 9:28:53 AM

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Sounds good, thanks.

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**Sent:** March 27, 2020 9:28 AM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: FYI Wolf

Yep. After RLT call on now, and Doyle after then you.

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**Sent:** March 27, 2020 9:21 AM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FYI Wolf

Sorry but could you please give me a shout after?

Being asked from GCPE/MIRR on a couple things:

1. Below CTV story (1:30) has news/Chief Sam saying CO indicated this was a legal hunt on Mosaic property and they want the body returned to the nation.
2. What are plans about returning to nation?

Thanks

<https://vancouverisland.ctvnews.ca/video?clipId=1929683>

**DANIELLE BELL**

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**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Isabelle Groc"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves  
**Date:** February 10, 2020 9:33:05 AM

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I can be free from around 10-11 tomorrow if that works .

Thanks

Mark Kissinger

**From:** Isabelle Groc

**Sent:** February 7, 2020 1:14 PM

**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX

**Cc:** Karn, David GCPE:EX ; mike mckinlay

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Sent: February 5, 2020 8:35 PM

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**Subject:** RE: Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves  
**Date:** February 7, 2020 10:18:01 AM

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Mark, I've not heard back from Scott but I doubt he'd be concerned.  
Do you want to tee it up with Isabelle yourself? I see she's in contact with you.  
Let me know if you need anything from me.  
dk

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**Sent:** February 6, 2020 10:34 AM  
**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX  
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Mark, I'm just running it past Sgt Norris et al for approval.  
thanks

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**Subject:** RE: Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves  
**Date:** February 9, 2020 12:58:08 PM

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Sounds good, I'll just have to get all the approvals from my Supervisor first.

Thanks

Mark Kissinger

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Hi Isabelle,

Can we chat briefly about your doc?

Thanks

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**To:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: For Review Please - FN  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 1:52:00 PM

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**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 1:50 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
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So potentially this could be turned over in some form?

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Yep. Helen's freezer

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One question – what happened to carcass that was necropsied? Do we still have it?

Chris

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**Subject:** For Review Please - FN

Suggested media response (could also use internal).  
Ben has reviewed.

Please note I have not gotten back to GCPE/MIRR so far.

Thanks

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**To:** [Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#); [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: For Review Please - FN/Wolf  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 4:13:26 PM

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Thanks – will hang onto these for now unless you’d like me to flip to Jim.  
Cheers

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**From:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 4:12 PM  
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**Subject:** RE: For Review Please - FN/Wolf

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**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 2:22 PM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>; York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** For Review Please - FN/Wolf

Hello,

I wanted to have some type of response prepared in case the Songhees request for wolf went public/hit the media.

Please find below a suggested media response (could also use internal). Chris and Ben have reviewed.

Also, please note I have been getting questions from GCPE & MIRR on some of this stuff and have not gotten back to them yet. As far as I know they are unaware of the FN piece.

Thanks

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**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: For Review Please  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 1:54:00 PM

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Wildlife Act Sec 97.6 Disposition of wildlife seized and detained as evidence - "... dispose of as Minister directs"

COS Policy and Procedure – Disposition of Wildlife Seized under the Wildlife Act Sect 8.

#### 8.0 DISPOSED OF AS THE MINISTER DIRECTS

1. Where seized wildlife may be disposed of by the COS, pursuant to section 97.3, 97.6 or 84 (6.3), it must be disposed of "as the minister directs".
2. Generally, "as the minister directs" means disposal of seized wildlife in accordance with policy and procedure approved by the minister for the Wildlife Act.
3. Officers will refer to Appendix 2, Wildlife and Habitat Branch Procedure - Disposal and Storage of Dead Wildlife and Parts, for guidance.

Wildlife and Habitat Branch Procedure – Disposal and Storage of Dead Wildlife and Parts Section 4(3)

(3) Priorities for disposal of parts of wildlife other than meat are:

- (a) Government uses — e.g. research, education, museum exhibits and collections etc.
- (b) Bona fide scientific or medical uses
- (c) Traditional ceremonial or dress purposes; aboriginals receiving first priority
- (d) Commercial sale (Disposal by Government Auction)
- (e) Private possession — in accordance with Policy and Procedures
- (f) Natural decomposition
- (g) Destruction in accordance with community by-laws and practices, as in 4 (1)(e) above
- (h) Fur bearers and their parts are to be given to the B.C. Trappers Association.

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**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
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**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: For Review Please

Ok no worries I'll keep these moving. Will be probably be asked, that's all. All good.

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 1:35 PM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: For Review Please

Aw geez I don't know. I think it's codified somewhere. Give me a couple minutes to dig around

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**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
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**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: For Review Please

Which 'policy' can I reference in that bullet?  
Under the Wildlife Act? Sorry I'm really tired lol.  
Thanks

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**Subject:** RE: For Review Please

Get rid of "regular" in bullet three. Subject to interpretation, but implies more than we have been doing.  
Communications is good enough.

s.16

How about "If the COS acquires the wolf during the course of the investigation or otherwise, it will be disposed of as per policy when no longer required for law enforcement purposes. This could include turning it over to the Songhees Nation." They already know they have priority consideration. And even this I wouldn't say if we don't have to.

And should we really say that we are going to proactively release details as they become available? I prefer "Still under investigation"

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**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 12:53 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: For Review Please

Should maybe throw in a line about we're still in contact with them throughout this now? Dunno

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**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
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**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** For Review Please

This would be for media (don't laugh at my attempt please lol).  
I'm not overly familiar with all the historic details.  
If you feel like you can throw in something about reconciliation, please do.  
Thoughts? Thanks



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**From:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX  
**To:** Pauwels, Charlene M ENV:EX; Norris, Scott ENV:EX; Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX; Sano, Robin ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: HWCR 19-29614 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - VICTORIA  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 9:54:33 AM

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Got, please cross reference 29599, 29616, 29614, 29617 and any others

Co Kissinger took call and spoke with Vic PD member Const Millard. Millard believes they have the animal contained and that it's the same animal as yesterday. Co Kissinger requested CO Dekelver to assist. Attended **s.22** in James bay. Police and media on scene. Animal still present. Vic PD assist in keeping public and media back. Co Dekelver and Kissinger mix drugs and decide on best approach. Two darts made with 1.5 of zol each. Only safe shot was a lower left neck shot. Shot was good. Animal showing signs of sedation after 8min. 12 min approach and bring animal out. Examine animal, no injuries, dart removed. Mature Male, broken right upper canine. Transported to vehicle then to goldstream. CO Pauwels assisted at goldstream. Animal assessed again and ear tagged and DNA taken. Left Ear 1-295. Animal had to be topped up with another 1.5 of Zol. Info sent to Helen and Scott. Animal to Duncan over night, assessed then released on West Coast.

Ill send in the Vial numbers asap

Total time  
Kissinger 12  
Dekelver 2.5  
Pauwels 1.5

-----Original Message-----

From: COS South Island Zone ENV:EX <COS.South.Island.Zone@gov.bc.ca>  
Sent: January 26, 2020 3:46 PM  
To: Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>; Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca>; Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX <Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca>; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>; Sano, Robin ENV:EX <Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca>  
Subject: FW: HWCR 19-29614 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - VICTORIA

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From: ecc.ops3@pep.gov.bc.ca  
Sent: January-26-20 3:45:11 PM (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
To: COS South Island Zone ENV:EX  
Subject: HWCR 19-29614 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - VICTORIA

HWCR 19-29614 - WOLF - SIGHTINGS - VICTORIA - VICTORIA

You can access the document at the following URL:

[https://wildlife1.embc.gov.bc.ca/ECCLog\\_FY1920/COSIncident.nsf/PWORSByDate/FE6F9F56BB6DE21D882584FB0081FBC7?OpenDocument](https://wildlife1.embc.gov.bc.ca/ECCLog_FY1920/COSIncident.nsf/PWORSByDate/FE6F9F56BB6DE21D882584FB0081FBC7?OpenDocument)

Human Wildlife Conflict Report #19-29614 Complaint Received By: PERRY (Operations 3 ECC) Date / Time received: 2020-01-26 15:39

Area: VICTORIA - VICTORIA - WEST COAST REGION

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Location: SAME ADDRESS

Location Description: **s.22**

**s.22**

Caller Name: **s.22**

Mail / Street Address / City: , JAMES BAY, BC Postal Code:

Referred By:

CONTACT NUMBERS

Cellular: **s.22**

**OCCURRENCE INFORMATION**

Incident Date Time: 2020-01-26 15:39

Species Involved: WOLF

Attractants Noted: NOT APPLICABLE

Nature of Complaint: SIGHTINGS

Action Taken: PHONED CO

Details: Police received a call of a wolf sighting, it appears to be moving throughout James Bay.

**ACTIONS TAKEN**

2020-01-26 15:42:32 briefed CO, Rick Dekelver.

**From:** Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX  
**To:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
**Cc:** Standen, Jim ENV:EX; Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX; Corns, Paul GCPE:EX; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX; Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX; York, Ben A ENV:EX; Roth, Pamela GCPE:EX; Murai, Launa Y ENV:EX; Lowther, Brett GCPE:EX; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX; Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Heads Up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island Wolf Likely Killed  
**Date:** March 24, 2020 3:10:03 PM

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Thanks, Danielle - just looping in Leila and Courtney here, too.

Thanks,  
Andrew

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**From:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 24, 2020 3:04 PM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Subject:** Re: Heads Up - 'Takaya' the Discovery Island Wolf Likely Killed

Thx

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 24, 2020, at 2:57 PM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hello,

A heads-up that COS has credible info that the wolf relocated from Victoria by COS in late January has been shot and killed near Shawnigan Lake this morning, although this is not yet confirmed.

COS investigating circumstances/legality. It could likely be a legitimate hunter kill, as it is currently open season. Apparently there is some info/pics (including ear tag) circulating on social.

I will put together some KM's – questions on wolf hunting or protection, etc should go to FLNRORD.

There have been no media inquiries yet.

Thanks

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**From:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today  
**Date:** March 24, 2020 2:10:01 PM

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Good point. Sigh. That didn't take very long 😞

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 24, 2020 2:09 PM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today

Probably not a lot of cross pollination between those two communities...

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**Subject:** RE: Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today

FYI hasn't hit the Takaya fan page yet, which posted as recently as an hour ago...

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**Subject:** RE: Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today

I would say keep it in house and hope that it flies under the radar, but Exec might think otherwise. Maybe just have a rough thing ready to go in case Chris says to loop GCPE in. TY

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Thanks Ben, I can put something together.  
Shall I hang tight at this time on providing GCPE a heads-up? No media inquiries on this so far...

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**Subject:** Heads up - "Takaya" the Discovery Island wolf shot by hunter today

We have credible information that the wolf relocated from Victoria area by COS in January has been shot and killed by a cougar hunter near Shawnigan Lake this morning. SIZ officers are investigating to determine circumstances and legality. Probably a legitimate hunter kill (currently open season) in which case we will not seize it. Information (including a pic of the ear tag) is currently circulating on local cougar hunter social media sites. This community is fairly "porous" so we can assume it will eventually become public knowledge with subsequent backlash.

More info as it becomes available. Recommended messaging is COS is investigating to determine legality, all other questions regarding wolf hunting or special protection diverted to FLNRORD.

***Inspector Ben York***

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**From:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Media request - The Narwhal - Statement from COS re: Discovery Island wolf  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 4:26:06 PM

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Haha just keeping you on your toes

No prob – it is slowing down, I think will only be a trickle tomorrow, if that (COVID still dominates obv).

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**Subject:** RE: Media request - The Narwhal - Statement from COS re: Discovery Island wolf

I thought you had been a little quiet. Is it getting any better. Good job keeping it off my plate BTW. TY

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**Subject:** FW: Media request - The Narwhal - Statement from COS re: Discovery Island wolf

Obviously I said we cannot elaborate beyond the statement as investigation ongoing but clearly there has been some chatter out there!

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**From:** Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX <[Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca)>  
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Follow-up below:

I'd like to just respond that I can't provide any further details beyond the statement regarding the investigation while it's ongoing. More information will be released when details are available.

Thoughts?

**From:** Emma Gilchrist <[emma@thenarwhal.ca](mailto:emma@thenarwhal.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 26, 2020 4:06 PM  
**To:** Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX <[Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Media request - The Narwhal - Statement from COS re: Discovery Island wolf



Thanks Andrew.

Given the potential misinformation swirling around on this issue, can you provide any further clarification on whether there were complicating circumstances at play here? My understanding is the hunter said his dog was attacked by Takaya. I also have another report from a contact in Port Renfrew who says Takaya attacked his dog a few days earlier. He reports that Takaya was acting strangely, doing things like running alongside his truck, a behaviour not regularly seen in non-habituated wolves in Port Renfrew.

The impression left by the statement saying the Discovery Island wolf "has been shot and killed by a hunter" seems to be leading people (including [CBC](#)) to conclude it was a trophy hunting kill, when perhaps that's not the case?

I'd appreciate any clarifications you can provide. I'm hoping to interview the hunter in question, as well as the man who ran into Takaya in Port Renfrew days before the wolf's death.

Thanks,

Emma Gilchrist

Editor-in-Chief

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On Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 3:57 PM Patrick, Andrew GCPE:EX <[Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andrew.Patrick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Emma,

As mentioned on the phone, you can attribute the following to the B.C. Conservation Officer Service:

The Discovery Island wolf, that was relocated from James Bay earlier this year has been shot and killed by a hunter, the Conservation Officer Service can confirm. We understand many British Columbians and people around the world shared care and concern for the well-being of this wolf and this update will affect many people.

The wolf was killed on Tuesday March 24 near Shawnigan Lake, approximately 50 kilometres away from where it was released in late January.

Conservation Officers released the wolf in rugged and remote wilderness outside of Port Renfrew, on the west side of Vancouver Island. This isolated coastal habitat similar to Discovery Island was carefully chosen to give the wolf the best chance possible. This decision was made in consultation with biologists from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), as well as the Provincial Wildlife Veterinarian.

The wolf was not taken back to Discovery Island as it left for a reason – it may have been looking for food or resources. For the safety of the public and the animal, the wolf was relocated out of the urban environment in Victoria. The provincial hunting regulations are administered by FLNRORD.

The COS investigation is ongoing and further details will be released as they become available.

Thanks,

**Andrew Patrick | Public Affairs Officer**

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
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**From:** [Karn, David GCPE:EX](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Media requests - CHEK - TC - CTV - wolf  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 2:10:38 PM

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Can I send cameras to you in Duncan or would you prefer to just call them?

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**From:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX  
**Sent:** January 27, 2020 2:07 PM  
**To:** Karn, David GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX ; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX ; York, Ben A ENV:EX ; Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX ; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX ; Norris, Scott ENV:EX  
**Subject:** Re: Media requests - CHEK - TC - CTV - wolf  
Just got back to Duncan now. I can do media until about 1530 or tomorrow.

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On Jan 27, 2020, at 2:05 PM, Karn, David GCPE:EX <[David.Karn@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Karn@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

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**Subject:** RE: Media requests - CHEK - TC - CTV - wolf  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 2:29:09 PM

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We'll be posting the video online Mark, so they can just grab it from there. I'm just trimming it and lightening it.

Thanks.

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**Sent:** January 27, 2020 2:28 PM  
**To:** Karn, David GCPE:EX  
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**Subject:** RE: Media requests - CHEK - Times Colonist - wolf update  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 10:55:45 AM

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**To:** Karn, David GCPE:EX  
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I am unfortunately unavailable...just got on the water taxi to Mayne Island open house and not back until four or later.  
Mark could possibly handle when he returns but we have other calls to attend to so he may be tied up too.  
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Hi Cheryl

Thank you for providing these great photos. It does appear to be the Discovery Island wolf but we are still not 100% sure.

The vet assessed him earlier this morning and he is in transit now to a new home.

I am sorry we could not wait to meet you but in the interest of the wolf's health and safety we wanted to get him back out as soon as possible.

Do you by any chance have DNA samples? Hair with roots intact would be ideal?

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**Cc:** [Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX](#); [Wilton, William FLNR:EX](#); [Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 11:35:41 AM

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Hi Dawn, COS advised F&W where the wolf was going to be relocated once it had been immobilized in James Bay. The location chosen was suitable from a biological standpoint, and a decent distance away from any communities. F&W staff did not provide input to the release location. Parks Canada was also advised of the release location due to the proximity to PacRim Park.

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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Yes of course  
Leaving a wolf in James Bay was not an option  
The COS can confirm if a bio was contacted

Helen

On Mar 25, 2020, at 2:09 PM, Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX  
<[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Helen, did you say that COS decided were to relocate Takaya from James Bay?

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**To:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

To my knowledge the regional biologists were not contacted. I was late on a Friday night. The animal was removed from an urban setting for public safety. The COS chose the site which was remote.

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**From:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 25, 2020 1:30 PM  
**To:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

Hi Helen,  
Can you answer this one? Assuming this is primarily a COS call within our translocation policy.  
Thanks,  
Michael

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**From:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 1:29 PM  
**To:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Wilton, William FLNR:EX <[William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca](mailto:William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca)>; Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>; Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>; Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

Hi everyone!

ENV is asking about the expertise our biologists provided in deciding to move Takaya. Who would like to take that one on? How was that decision made?

Thanks in advace.

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**From:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 12:34 PM  
**To:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Wilton, William FLNR:EX <[William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca](mailto:William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca)>; Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>; Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>; Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

Will do. Cc'ing Helen in case she has any comment.

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**From:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 12:31 PM  
**To:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Wilton, William FLNR:EX <[William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca](mailto:William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca)>; Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>; Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

Thanks Mike.<sup>s.16</sup> I'm going to move this up. Let me know if there are any last minute changes.

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**From:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 12:25 PM  
**To:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Wilton, William FLNR:EX <[William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca](mailto:William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca)>; Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>; Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

Hi Dawn,  
Hoping to hear from Region to finalize. Here is one edit from me:

s.13; s.16

Michael

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**From:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 11:58 AM  
**To:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Wilton, William FLNR:EX <[William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca](mailto:William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed  
**Importance:** High

It is for Minister Fraser's briefing with media after noon.

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**From:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 11:51 AM  
**To:** Burwash, Michael FLNR:EX <[Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Michael.Burwash@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Review for approval: Takaya killed

Hi Michael, not sure if Billy is in. Can you / staff look at this for approval?

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX" <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 at 10:37:10 AM PDT  
**To:** "Wilton, William FLNR:EX" <[William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca](mailto:William.Wilton@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** "GCPE FLNR Media Requests GCPE:EX" <[FLNRO.MediaRequests@gov.bc.ca](mailto:FLNRO.MediaRequests@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject: Review for approval: Takaya killed**

Hi Billy,

Not sure who to talk to about this. Who should I contact?

Do the following lines represent the hunting messaging (I pulled from regulations synopsis):

s.13; s.16

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX  
<[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 9:02 AM

**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX  
<[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>;  
Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX  
<[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>; Bell,  
Danielle L ENV:EX  
<[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Update #1 on FN  
Notification of wolf

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***Inspector Ben York***  
Officer in Charge, West Coast  
Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and  
Climate Change Strategy  
(250) 751-3163 (d) (250) 755-  
5816 (c)

**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX](#); [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 2:13:00 PM

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Sounds like we can get the carcass for you. Will let you know if it works out

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**From:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 2:06 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

its such a good opportunity if we can examine it.

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 25, 2020 2:04 PM  
**To:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX  
**Cc:** Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX; Norris, Scott ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

At this point, we don't have grounds to seize although that may change as the investigation proceeds. I know it was already skinned out yesterday. If we do end up in possession, I'll let ya know.

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**From:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 2:02 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Fw: URGENT: Review for approval: Takaya killed

Hey Ben

Is there any chance I can examine the wolf carcass and do a quick necropsy on it to see his condition and food habits?

**From:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 11:22:19 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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No its not my direction.

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 11:20 AM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

We can easily be in contact with him. Has been very cooperative including volunteering to take CO's to kill site as he did last night. We did *not* ask him to consider turning it over to the First Nation. Is that your direction?

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**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 11:14 AM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

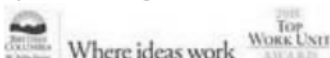
See question below:

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**From:** Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 10:52 AM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

Can you please get info from Ben on these questions?

**Jim Standen**  
Assistant Deputy Minister  
BC Parks & Conservation Officer Service  
Telephone: 250-387-1288  
[jim.standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:jim.standen@gov.bc.ca)



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**From:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 9:18 AM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>



**Cc:** Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

Also are we in touch with the hunter? I wonder if we would convince the hunter to return the wolf to the nation

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2020, at 9:14 AM, Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

We need some bullets very quickly about why this location was chosen for the wolf to be relocated to, and how far the wolf was killed from where it was relocated to.  
Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2020, at 9:11 AM, Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Only to media

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**From:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 9:11 AM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

I thought we were holding on any notification??

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2020, at 9:07 AM, Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Update

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 9:02 AM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Update #1 on FN Notification of wolf

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***Inspector Ben York***

Officer in Charge, West Coast Region  
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**From:** [Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Update  
**Date:** March 24, 2020 5:45:09 PM

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I think you would be best so we will make the phone work

Thanks

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 24, 2020 5:44 PM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: Update

As long as you are ok with it being phone contact, I'll do it. If in person, it will probably be Peter Pauwels<sup>s.22</sup>

On Mar 24, 2020, at 17:37, Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Ben

Can you co-ordinate an appropriate person<sup>s.22</sup> to conduct an in person outreach to the two FN's on this tomorrow. Please keep me updated to as who they contacted and how the interaction goes. Please choose someone that is sensitive to this situation and appropriate to deliver the message. We will obviously not be releasing details of who the hunter was, etc.

Thanks

Doug

**Doug Forsdick**  
Executive Director /  
Chief Conservation Officer  
BC Conservation Officer Service  
Phone: 1-250-567-8929

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**From:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX

**Sent:** March 24, 2020 5:33 PM

**To:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Update

I will co-ordinate that to happen tomorrow and will update once completed. I suspect the point of contact for this will be our Inspector in charge of the West Coast, Ben York.

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**From:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 24, 2020 5:31 PM

**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Update

I think we should consider some proactive outreach to those nations; I don't want them to hear about this through the media...

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**From:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 24, 2020 3:40 PM

**To:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Update

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**From:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 24, 2020 3:34 PM

**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Update

Thanks Doug. What FN was interested?

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**From:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 24, 2020 3:33 PM

**To:** Sather, Kelly ENV:EX <[Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kelly.Sather@gov.bc.ca)>; Standen, Jim ENV:EX <[Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jim.Standen@gov.bc.ca)>; Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Zacharias@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Update

- Hunter has been identified
- Hunter has been interviewed
- Confirmed to be the wolf known as "Takaya"
- Harvest has been confirmed as legal (open season / licenced hunter)
- Information contained to a degree at this point
- Cougar hunter social media groups have been discussing the harvest on their closed sites
- Prior to this incident regular interest by local First Nation groups and researchers as to movement of wolf / expect ongoing interest
- FLNRORD Wildlife Director informed

Doug

**Doug Forsdick**

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BC Conservation Officer Service

Phone: 1-250-567-8929

**From:** [Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#); [Macdonald, Andy M ENV:EX](#); [Joanisse, Sarah M ENV:EX](#); [McClaren, Erica L ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Webster, Mickey ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Wolf relocation  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 9:30:53 AM

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I will look for a contact for PC out there

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

-----Original Message-----

From: Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
Sent: January 27, 2020 9:16 AM  
To: Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>; Macdonald, Andy M ENV:EX <[Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca)>; Joanisse, Sarah M ENV:EX <[Sarah.Joanisse@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Joanisse@gov.bc.ca)>; McClaren, Erica L ENV:EX <[Erica.McClaren@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Erica.McClaren@gov.bc.ca)>  
Cc: Webster, Mickey ENV:EX <[Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca)>; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
Subject: RE: Wolf relocation

Hi Folks

I sent an email to the Chief yesterday but have not heard from him. I will call the band office shortly to discuss. The wolf is in transit now...Mark will find somewhere suitable in the lower San Juan valley, but please don't disclose that outside government.

One thing you could do Sean (or anyone else as I don't have a contact #) is contact Parks Canada so they are aware since it will be fairly close to the West Coast Trail.

Thanks,  
Scott

Sergeant Scott Norris|Conservation Officer Service|250 746-1208

-----Original Message-----

From: Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
Sent: January 27, 2020 8:45 AM  
To: Macdonald, Andy M ENV:EX <[Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca)>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>; Joanisse, Sarah M ENV:EX <[Sarah.Joanisse@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Joanisse@gov.bc.ca)>; McClaren, Erica L ENV:EX <[Erica.McClaren@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Erica.McClaren@gov.bc.ca)>  
Cc: Webster, Mickey ENV:EX <[Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca)>  
Subject: RE: Wolf relocation

Andy - let me know if we need to discuss anything

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

-----Original Message-----

From: Macdonald, Andy M ENV:EX <[Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca)>  
Sent: January 27, 2020 8:44 AM  
To: Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>; Joanisse, Sarah M ENV:EX <[Sarah.Joanisse@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Joanisse@gov.bc.ca)>; McClaren, Erica L ENV:EX <[Erica.McClaren@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Erica.McClaren@gov.bc.ca)>  
Cc: Webster, Mickey ENV:EX <[Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca)>  
Subject: RE: Wolf relocation

Hi Everyone. Thanks Scott for making contact. I've copied Sarah Joannis (Area Supervisor for Discovery Island Park) and Erica McLaren (Conservation Specialist). I understand Erica is in contact with Helen. Scott, has there been contact with Songhees?

Thanks.

Andy Macdonald  
Section Head - Haida Gwaii/ South Island BC Parks Ministry of Environment - West Coast Region  
Phone: (250) 947-2601  
Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca

-----Original Message-----

From: Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca>  
Sent: January 27, 2020 8:41 AM  
To: Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>; Webster, Mickey ENV:EX <Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca>; Macdonald, Andy M ENV:EX <Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca>  
Subject: RE: Wolf relocation

Hi Scott - I think relocating to suitable habitat on the west coast is a good idea. If it is the Discovery Island wolf it left for a reason and will likely do the same again. Putting it back there doesn't seem to make sense.

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

-----Original Message-----

From: Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca>  
Sent: January 26, 2020 8:45 PM  
To: Webster, Mickey ENV:EX <Mickey.Webster@gov.bc.ca>; Macdonald, Andy M ENV:EX <Andy.M.Macdonald@gov.bc.ca>; Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca>  
Subject: Wolf relocation

Hi Guys

So we caught the wolf in James Bay tonight and need to relocate him somewhere.  
Since he is likely adapted to a coastal environment (looks like the Discovery island guy?), we are thinking somewhere between Jordan River and Port Renfrew?  
Hopefully we can discuss Monday morning?  
Email or cell as I am heading to Mayne Island tomorrow.**s.22**  
Thanks  
Scott

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Wolf update from today  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 8:33:11 AM

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Okay thanks Ben,

Just one question – did the public get his identity from his own on-line postings?

Chris

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <Ben.York@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 8:14 AM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: Wolf update from today

Copy. One other thing came in later last night -s.22

s.22 Said he was trying to have SOC relinquish hide (again, w/o suggestion or recommendation of CO). I gave direction to accept it if brought in, but to ensure a release of demands form was signed off.

A couple points of clarity

- any seizure of hide by action of CO (vs spontaneous relinquishment) would be for evidence of unlawful possession under WLA stemming from trespass violation, not evidence of trespass itself.
- no seizure has been made or contemplated for the sole or primary purpose of turning the animal over to the Songhees Nation. My statement to the Chief pertained to eventual disposal of any seizure if not required for LE or lawful for SOC to possess. I suppose that would now also apply if SOC relinquished wildlife to Crown voluntarily.
- carcass had already been disposed of by SOC by dumping on rural property, not placed or stored for COS. SOC told COS to take it if we wanted it. Helen requested it for necropsy and we collected it for that purpose. Given that there was no informed consent and investigation had not progressed to RPG of trespass, there is no intent to use as evidence.

Hope that helps. Happy to discuss further. I have my daily RLT call 9-10, but flexible thereafter. Let me know what time works for you.

*Insp. Ben York*  
Officer I/C, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

On Mar 27, 2020, at 7:46 AM, Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

For discussion. Keep the emails just going to me at this point.



Chris

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Airey, David ENV:EX" <[David.Airey@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Airey@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 at 7:38:21 AM PDT  
**To:** "Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX" <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** "Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX" <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>, "Kondas, Greg ENV:EX" <[Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Wolf update from today

I agree,

D

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**From:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 7:36 AM  
**To:** Airey, David ENV:EX <[David.Airey@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Airey@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>; Kondas, Greg ENV:EX <[Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: Wolf update from today

Couple things Chris

They need to be careful about seizures made for one reason and held out for another.

Also lots of case law around a hunter acquiring rights to wildlife and if it isn't taken lawfully they have no right to it. Tons of case law similar where elk shot on private land by legal and licensed hunter. He does not acquire legal rights to that wildlife. The question here is about the evidence of the trespass and the tightness of the permission. Sounds weak to me.

We should not even entertain where any part of the wildlife goes at this time.

Just a couple thoughts.

D

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 26, 2020, at 8:07 PM, Airey, David ENV:EX  
<[David.Airey@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Airey@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Thanks Chris,

Am not sure how the hide and skull would afford evidence of trespass considering we already have the carcass. Kyle would be a good resource to run this by but I think it is a long shot and a bit disingenuous given then real reason is to return it to the FN.

D

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**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 26, 2020 6:15 PM  
**To:** Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)>; Kondas, Greg ENV:EX <[Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Greg.Kondas@gov.bc.ca)>; Airey, David ENV:EX <[David.Airey@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Airey@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Wolf update from today

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "York, Ben A ENV:EX"  
<[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 at 5:07:45 PM PDT  
**To:** "Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX"  
<[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Wolf update from today

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Withheld pursuant to/removed as

s.13; s.15

**From:** [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Lamy, Richard \(PC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Wolf  
**Date:** February 27, 2020 4:38:54 PM

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Well she's wrong once again. I hope she doesn't find out where it is. She will go looking for it. We have a lot of concerns with what she's done over the years.

Pp

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 27, 2020, at 4:31 PM, Lamy, Richard (PC) <[richard.lamy@canada.ca](mailto:richard.lamy@canada.ca)> wrote:  
>  
> OH! Thanks for passing on this info. The lady who did the documentary on the discovery island wolf relo, reached out to the Park saying she suspect it is the same wolf that is on Sidney.  
> Thanks again Peter  
> RL  
> Richard Lamy  
> Park Warden Supervisor - Garde de Parc Supérieur  
> Gulf Islands National Park Reserve - Réserve de Parc National des îles Gulf  
> 2220 Harbour Rd  
> Sidney, BC V8L 2P6  
>  
> [richard.lamy@canada.ca](mailto:richard.lamy@canada.ca)  
> Telephone | Téléphone 1-250-629-6415  
> Cell | Cellulaire 250-588-4758  
> Facsimile | Télécopieur 250-629-6743  
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> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX [<mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>]  
> Sent: February-27-20 4:07 PM  
> To: Lamy, Richard (PC) <[richard.lamy@canada.ca](mailto:richard.lamy@canada.ca)>  
> Subject: Re: Wolf  
>  
> 10-4. Lots of wolf action today. We just got photographic confirmation that the Discovery Island wolf is now on the outskirts of Port Renfrew  
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> P  
>  
> Sent from my iPhone  
>  
>> On Feb 27, 2020, at 4:00 PM, Lamy, Richard (PC) <[richard.lamy@canada.ca](mailto:richard.lamy@canada.ca)> wrote:  
>>  
>> Thanks Peter,  
>> A park staff just recover scat full or white hair.  
>> Don't know yet where they will send it to...  
>> Cheers,  
>> RL

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>> Richard Lamy  
>> Park Warden Supervisor - Garde de Parc Superviseur Gulf Islands  
>> National Park Reserve - Réserve de Parc National des îles Gulf  
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>> -----Original Message-----  
>> From: Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX [<mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca>]  
>> Sent: February-27-20 2:17 PM  
>> To: Lamy, Richard (PC) <[richard.lamy@canada.ca](mailto:richard.lamy@canada.ca)>  
>> Subject: Re: Wolf  
>>  
>> Thanks. I'd say it probably is. That's about as far as I'd go on that. Hopefully you'll get some better pics.  
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>> Pp  
>>  
>> Sent from my iPhone  
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>> On Feb 27, 2020, at 1:26 PM, Lamy, Richard (PC) <[richard.lamy@canada.ca](mailto:richard.lamy@canada.ca)> wrote:  
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>>  
>> Here you go,  
>> Nice talking to you Peter.  
>> RL  
>>  
>> Richard Lamy  
>> Park Warden Supervisor - Garde de Parc Superviseur Gulf Islands  
>> National Park Reserve - Réserve de Parc National des îles Gulf  
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>> souvenirs  
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>> From: Janssen, Michael (PC)  
>> Sent: February-26-20 1:45 PM

>> To: Tooby, Ben (PC) <ben.tooby@canada.ca>; Lamy, Richard (PC)  
>> <richard.lamy@canada.ca>  
>> Subject: FW: Wolf  
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>> looks like a wolf....  
>>  
>> Michael Janssen, MSc, PMP, RPBio  
>> Project Coordinator | Coordinateur de projet Gulf Islands National  
>> Park Reserve | Réserve de parc national des îles-Gulf Parks Canada |  
>> Parcs Canada  
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>> souvenirs  
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>> From: s.22  
>> s.22  
>> Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2020 5:46 PM  
>> To: Janssen, Michael (PC)  
>> <michael.janssen@canada.ca<<mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca>>>  
>> Cc: s.22  
>> s.22  
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>> s.22  
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>> Subject: Wolf  
>>  
>> Mike,  
>>  
>> Yesterday morning we had several sightings, scat evidence, and a few blurry photos of a new resident on Sidney  
Island. Picture attached.  
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>> <image001.png>  
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>> s.22  
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>> Telephone:  
>> cellular: s.22  
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>> <Wolf with head tilted right.jpg>



**From:** [Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: contact  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 3:51:43 PM

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Thanks Mark – Parks Canada was asking. They have some cameras in Pac Rim on that side – who knows. Maybe he heads to the ocean and gets a picture taken.

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX  
**Sent:** January 28, 2020 3:00 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX  
**Cc:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX  
**Subject:** Re: contact  
main line, towards avatar grove

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 28, 2020, at 2:53 PM, Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Can you guys provide the needed information?

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** McIndoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** January 28, 2020 2:31 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: contact

Good Afternoon Sean

Just wondering if you had received confirmation of the exact release location yet. We had discussed the SJ river yesterday. Our Wildlife dept. is diligently trying to keep our management team, stakeholders and First Nations liaisons duly informed with pertinent information. We will not be disseminating the release location as we know it.

However, unconfirmed information has been also flowing inwards locally and from the West Coast Trail/ Renfrew area in regards to the release location. The common concern is that the wolf was released within proximity of a one of the communities without notification to the appropriate local Wildlife representatives.

I understand that the situation is fluid and that this consideration has probably already been accounted for.

Personally, I still have hope that he will make his way into the Park on the West Coast Trail. More chances for survival and a lot less urban hazards for him.

Thanks.

Jason (Jake) McIndoe

Resource Management Officer I

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 1:41 PM

**To:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

I will find out where. I understand the release has taken place now

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** January 27, 2020 1:39 PM

**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Sean

Thanks for that. The tag was one of the recent topics of discussion that we were wondering. Could you let us know if the release location is anywhere near the West Coast Trail. I was hoping as much – that way I could keep a watch out while I am on patrol.

Jake

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 1:36 PM

**To:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Perfect – I confirmed that the wolf was ear tagged with COS yellow tags

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** January 27, 2020 1:23 PM

**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Sean

Thanks. I was able to get updated from Todd.

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 1:06 PM

**To:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Hi Jason – I spoke with Todd and filled him in. let me know if you need to speak directly.

Sean Pendergast RPBio

Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** January 27, 2020 12:10 PM

**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** FW: contact

Sean

See below.

PRNPR Wildlife Officer contact #s : (250) 713 4633 or (250) 726 7165 ext. 239 or 234

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**From:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC)

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 12:07 PM

**To:** Harbidge, Tyler (PC) <[tyler.harbidge@canada.ca](mailto:tyler.harbidge@canada.ca)>

**Cc:** Armstrong, Arlene (PC) <[arlene.armstrong@canada.ca](mailto:arlene.armstrong@canada.ca)>; Cardinal, Nathan (PC) <[nathan.cardinal@canada.ca](mailto:nathan.cardinal@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Tyler

Went straight to voicemail. Left Sean with PRNPR contact #'s and a message. If I do not hear from them by 14:00hrs then myself or Arlene will re-contact.

Jake

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**From:** Harbidge, Tyler (PC) <[tyler.harbidge@canada.ca](mailto:tyler.harbidge@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 11:32 AM

**To:** Armstrong, Arlene (PC) <[arlene.armstrong@canada.ca](mailto:arlene.armstrong@canada.ca)>

**Cc:** Mcindoe, Jason (PC) <[jason.mcindoe@canada.ca](mailto:jason.mcindoe@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** FW: contact

Can you reach out to this person.

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Tyler Harbidge

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**From:** Cardinal, Nathan (PC) <[nathan.cardinal@canada.ca](mailto:nathan.cardinal@canada.ca)>

**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 11:28 AM

**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Harbidge, Tyler (PC) <[tyler.harbidge@canada.ca](mailto:tyler.harbidge@canada.ca)>; Janssen, Michael (PC) <[michael.janssen@canada.ca](mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: contact

Hi Sean,

If you want to reach out to Tyler Harbidge at Pac Rim, he'll be able to follow up with you further.

Tyler's contact info is below.

Cheers,

Nathan

Tyler Harbidge

Resource Conservation Manager (acting) | Gestionnaire de la conservation des ressources (intérimaire)

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**From:** Janssen, Michael (PC) <[michael.janssen@canada.ca](mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 10:23 AM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Cardinal, Nathan (PC) <[nathan.cardinal@canada.ca](mailto:nathan.cardinal@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: contact

Hi Sean,  
Nathan is making some calls and will advise on who at Pac Rim is currently best to speak with.

Thanks,

Mike

Michael Janssen, MSc, PMP, RPBio

Project Coordinator | Coordinateur de projet

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, January 27, 2020 9:31 AM  
**To:** Janssen, Michael (PC) <[michael.janssen@canada.ca](mailto:michael.janssen@canada.ca)>  
**Subject:** contact

Hi Mike – do you have a contact for Pac Rim Park I could chat with?

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Sean Pendergast, RPBio

Section Head | Recreational Fisheries & Wildlife Programs

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**From:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: update on HWCR 19-30736  
**Date:** March 2, 2020 12:24:07 PM

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s.16

Sergeant Scott Norris | Conservation Officer Service | 250 746-1208

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 2, 2020 12:19 PM  
**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: update on HWCR 19-30736

s.16

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**From:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 2, 2020 12:15 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: update on HWCR 19-30736

Hi Ben

I just spoke with Todd Windle at Parks Canada and discussed the wolf sightings, behaviour and COS plans. They want to be kept up to date in case behaviour escalates and/or the wolf starts hanging around PC campgrounds.

For now no aggressive behaviour but no real fear of humans either (see attached video). It is habituated to people due to years of Discovery Island well wishers encroaching on its space.

s.16

Thanks,  
Scott

Sergeant Scott Norris | Conservation Officer Service | 250 746-1208

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**From:** Sano, Robin ENV:EX <[Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** February 29, 2020 6:59 PM  
**To:** Pauwels, Charlene M ENV:EX <[Charlene.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Charlene.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>; Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>; Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <[Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca)>; Dekelver, Richard

ENV:EX <[Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Richard.Dekelver@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** update on HWCR 19-30736

Charlene;

Please update HWCR 19-30736.

On February 29 2020 CO SANO attended s.22 Port Renfrew. SANO encountered on the road the COM who gave COS the ear tagged trail camera photos taken on private land at the end of s.22 He stated that his friend just had another adult wolf with similar markings approach his s.22 it sat on his lawn he took his dog inside and returned with his phone. The wolf without an ear tag sat 10-15 feet away from him looking at him then trotted off into the woods. In the video and in his statement to SANO there was no ear tag.

SANO believes with the photographic evidence that there are two wolves that do not have a fear of humans that has appeared to residents in the past week. One ear tagged and one not.

There are s.22 residents on this road. The last house took the video of the non ear tagged wolf on February 22. The other video footage from this area shows another wolf with an ear tag in its left ear.

SANO spoke to Cheryl ALEXANDER (250) 588-6882. She stated that the ear tagged wolf has not been reported seen since February 27<sup>th</sup>. She stated that the port Renfrew facebook group was how the community was alerted to the wolf being inquisitive to dogs. This group could be a good means to disseminate messages for COS. Another local was mentioning that half the community wants the wolf to coexist and some in the community will most likely come looking for the wolf to hunt it.

The road was quiet with few vehicles as the facebook post told residents not to walk their dogs in this area as there is a wolf.

In speaking with the local FN and the residents there appears to be ample food in this area and the presence of an existing pack.

s.16; s.22

This wolf with the ear tag in the statements I have heard is not demonstrating aggression towards humans or dogs presently.

Robin Sano

Conservation Officer Service \ West Coast Region  
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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** February 29, 2020 4:04 PM

**To:** Sano, Robin ENV:EX <[Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: Ear tagged Wolf

Here is the other Wolf that approached my friends<sup>s.22</sup> that  
was on a lead. This video was taken on Feb. 22 on the Remote Renfrew property.

On Fri, Feb 28, 2020 at 7:20 PM s.22

wrote:

Thank you for your thanks and appreciation, that speaks volume to me.

I know that there has been another large Wolf that has been sighted along <sup>s.22</sup> and quit regularly. I know that he has been approaching dogs and has gone as far as attacking an off leash dog as recently as today. It is not Takaya but another robust Wolf of similar coloring and markings. The big problem we have here is that there are many people, at least 7 that I have seen. That regularly run their dogs in front of their car as they travel up and down <sup>s.22</sup>. That road is soaked in dog urine and with <sup>s.22</sup> dogs that live at the end of <sup>s.22</sup>. It's no wonder that Wolves that travel through that area are drawn to this location. I strongly suggest that signs be put in place warning visitors and residents about proper dog and owner etiquette while being in known Wolf country. They do this in Pacific Rim National Park and perhaps they should think about signage down in this section of their park. I've talked to Bob Henson from Wildsafe BC. as well as Todd Windle of Pacific Rim National Park about this situation. They both realize that something should be done.

I will continue to monitor the Wolf activity in this lower estuary and will keep you up to date on anymore of Takaya's activity. If the company of other Wolves is what he was seeking then he has most certainly found it. I don't think that we have seen the last of him.....for now at least.

Here's a photo of him taken with a still camera.

On Fri, Feb 28, 2020 at 3:38 PM Sano, Robin ENV:EX <[Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Dear Sir;

Thank you very much for sharing your excellent photos with the Conservation Officer Service. We hope that this animal integrates itself back into the natural environment. Your discretion in this matter was greatly appreciated. I have spoken the Sargent for the south island and he wished for me to personally convey to you that the location your provided to us will not be made public by COS.

Robin Sano

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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** February 27, 2020 8:26 PM

**To:** Sano, Robin ENV:EX <[Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robin.Sano@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Ear tagged Wolf

The Wolf was travelling East as he came past my camera. He was photographed in Port Renfrew on Feb. 25 @ 12:21 pm. Approx. 20 mins. walk North of the end of Island Road.

There were reports of Wolves howling on two occasions days before this image was taken. Once coming from the Deerling Road bridge area and on another occasion up towards the Fairy Lake area. There is an established Wolf pack already in this area that in 2018 consisted of 7. I often get pictures of these Wolves on this same stretch of game trail. I'll keep you posted if I get any further pictures of this ear tagged Wolf.

Rest assured I have no intentions of disclosing this location to anyone.

**From:** [Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 4:05:22 PM

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Gotcha. Removed and replaced with 'I cannot speak to the COS investigation.'

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 4:05 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

Kinda yeah. I would steer away from any implication that talking to us will provide her with answers that are relevant to disposition of the wolf or hunter contact.

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 4:01 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

Did you have issue with the responses I was going to provide? I will make them more generic still

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 4:00 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>; Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

Ahh... no, ya got me there. Reasonable probability for that connection

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:56 PM  
**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>; Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

The ear tag only confirms that it was the James Bay wolf. We do not know for certain that the James Bay wolf was the Discovery Island wolf as far as I know. Unless I am missing something? I know it has been assumed but not confirmed?

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:48 PM  
**To:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>; Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

The ear tag was a giveaway...

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**From:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:43 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>; York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

And no, I have not sent the samples to a lab. But I think there is very very little doubt.

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**From:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:39 PM  
**To:** Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX <[Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Helen.Schwantje@gov.bc.ca)>; York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: wolf Takaya

I received the following inquiry from Cheryl Alexander. I have offered to respond on behalf of WCR but want to make sure I am on the same page as what has been provided previously. I am playing a bit of catchup here as I was away when the harvest occurred. See below in red. Can either of you provide any additional info to the questions asked?

Was there ever DNA confirmation that this was indeed the Discovery Island wolf?

Thanks, Feel free to call me on my cell if you would prefer.

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

**From:** Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:21 PM  
**To:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: wolf Takaya

I had a conversation with Mike Stalberg after Takaya was killed. It was regarding my questions about what would happen to the wolf's remains and also what was known about the incident.

Could you please confirm the following:

1. I understand that Helen is conducting a necropsy on the 'internal' remains of the wolf that were provided to her by the hunter - when and how will the results of this be available? To my knowledge the necropsy has been conducted and the results provided to the Conservation Officer Service. I will look into how and when the results can be released.
2. I know that the Songhees are requesting those remains to be returned to them for proper burial on the islands - Is this what will happen, and when? I am not sure about this. I will have to ask the COS what the

final disposition of the carcass will be.

3. I believe that the hunter has a legal right to keep the hide and skull of the animal, should he wish to do that - is this what is happening? I am not aware of what the hunter decided to do or retain. As you have stated, the hunter has a legal right to keep the hide skull or any other part of the carcass they wish to retain.

4. I asked that i be put in touch with the hunter and do realize that you are not able to give me his name due to protection of privacy laws, but that you would be able to speak with him and give him my contact information. Has this been done? I am not aware if this has been done or not. I was not involved in any of the investigation surrounding the harvest of the wolf. COS may have the hunters information and may have contacted them. I can follow up on this for you.

5. What kind of investigation is the Conservation Service or Wildlife branch doing? Can you confirm that the hunter had dogs and whether or not the hunter has said that they were 'attacked' by the wolf. I am not currently aware of what form of investigation COS are conducting if any. I am not aware if the hunter stated they were attacked by the wolf or not. I can try and verify this.

6. How can people be assured that this was not a 'trophy hunt'? I am not sure what you mean by this. Hunters are able to harvest wolves in BC under the current regulations and utilize the animal as per the regulations.

7. Can you provide me with specific about the location where the wolf was killed? I would like to visit the spot. I am not sure of the specific location where the wolf was harvested. I will see if I can find this information but hunters are only required to provide a 'nearest landmark' when reporting a harvest. Ie: 'Shawnigan Lake'

I thank you very much for your time.  
And hope you are staying well in these difficult times.  
Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander  
Follow me on Instagram @cher\_wildawake  
Facebook page for TAKAYA: @takayalonewolf

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On Fri, Mar 27, 2020 at 3:09 PM Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Cheryl, I am currently working from home ad have spotty cell coverage here. I will likely not be able to chat on the phone until I am able to get into the office. Perhaps if you have questions you can email them to me and I can do my best to respond?

Sean Pendergast RPBio  
Section Head | Fish & Wildlife

**From:** Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** March 27, 2020 3:00 PM

**To:** Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Pendergast, Sean FLNR:EX <[Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sean.Pendergast@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: wolf Takaya

Hi Mike and Sean,

As I know that no one is in their offices, could you please provide me with a phone number to make contact with Sean please?

Many thanks

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander

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On Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 9:20 PM Wild Awake <[cheralexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheralexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Mike,

Thank you for attending to this.

I will get something to you early tomorrow morning.

s.22

Could you please clarify what you mean by remains? Do you mean the actual body (without the pelt that has likely been removed by the hunter) after Helen has done the necropsy?

I will connect with Sean as well tomorrow.

many thanks,

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander

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On Thu, Mar 26, 2020 at 11:02 AM Stalberg, Mike X FLNR:EX <[Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Stalberg@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Cheryl Alexander:

Hi Cheryl,

Thank you for phoning yesterday about the wolf Takaya.

As discussed, I understand that you are interested in the remains. You were going to write an email to explain your request formally and with more detail. I look forward to this email.

Sean Pendergast is the Fish & Wildlife Section Head for the West Coast Region and will be managing this file. I have copied his email address.

Stay safe,  
Mike

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**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Laura Boast](#)  
**Subject:** Re: CBC Nature of Things followup - sorry, I forgot to ask you about one other theory of Cheryl's - a hunter on the island  
**Date:** March 16, 2020 1:06:35 PM

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I know very little about this theory. Prior to the wolf living on the island there was some hunting but I've not heard on any since

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 16, 2020, at 11:53 AM, Laura Boast <s.22 wrote:

Dear Mark - Thanks so much for your time! There was one last theory of Cheryl's I wanted to run by you. She said possibly a hunter (she said there's a duck hunter known to hunt - illegally - on Discovery Island) may have accidentally scared Takaya. What's your take on that? Is it possible?

Cheers,

Laura Boast  
Ph:s.22

Dear Officer Mark Kissinger -

I'm writing an article about Takaya for CBC The Nature of Things as a followup to their documentary with Cheryl Alexander and the wolf. Producer Graham Duggan wanted me to do an update given Takaya's return to Vancouver Island.

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Would you be willing to tell me about Takaya's reappearance, the possible reasons the wolf may have ended up back on the island, how BC Conservation located the wolf and relocated it, and how the wolf is doing (I understand he's very healthy from all accounts, with access to food). Is there a possibility he could mate? Could he go back to the islands?

I'm 3 hours ahead of you in Toronto. Would you be available to talk this afternoon at 1 p.m. or after (your time, PDT), or any time tomorrow morning (your time)?

Yours truly,

On Mar 10, 2020, at 2:32 PM, Laura Boast <[lauraboast@bell.net](mailto:lauraboast@bell.net)> wrote:

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Laura Boast

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**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Couple quick Questions  
**Date:** March 17, 2020 3:29:49 PM

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I have the oak bay one but haven't found the trial island on

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2020, at 3:27 PM, Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <[Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Yeah might help to share the pics amongst us first. I'm only aware of one or two from the same incident, which I did not save.

pp

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**From:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 17, 2020 3:21 PM

**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <[Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Couple quick Questions

Fine, but I'm more interested in whether or not they leave our control. If so, what will she do with them? There *may* be FOIPPA considerations since they are from a private third party (dunno cuz I haven't seen them).

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**From:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 17, 2020 3:02 PM

**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX <[Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Peter.Pauwels@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: Couple quick Questions

I guess she never believed that takaya ever tried to leave previously. She says she just want to compare images to see if it was takaya. I also know she believes there may have been a second Wolf attracted to takaya s calls.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 17, 2020, at 2:58 PM, York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Look at them? Or have copies? For what purpose – published media?  
Research? Public distribution/viewing? How would she attribute them?  
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**From:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 17, 2020 2:54 PM

**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Couple quick Questions

Cheryl Alexander has asked to look at some of the historical Wolf images we have that may show takaya around Oak bay. I have one or two sent in from members of the public. What are your thoughts on this?

Thanks  
Mark Kissinger

**From:** [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Windle, Todd \(PC\)](#)  
**Cc:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Discovery Island Wolf  
**Date:** March 2, 2020 10:49:38 AM

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Hi Todd, I'm going to flip you over to Scott as I'm a little out of the loop right now

Pp

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2020, at 9:21 AM, Windle, Todd (PC) <[todd.windle@canada.ca](mailto:todd.windle@canada.ca)> wrote:

Hey Peter;

How are things going on the south island? I heard there was a photographed sighting of the Discovery Island wolf recently. Do you have any more details you could share with me and location etc.? Have you been getting any reports about interactions with people at all? Just trying to get a better picture as the animal may end up in one of our campsites on the south end of the West Coast Trail. Feel free to call me if easier for you.

Cheers,

- Todd

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**Todd Windle**

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**From:** [Karn, David GCPE:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#); [Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX](#); [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: ENV Media Request: Wolf in James Bay  
**Date:** January 26, 2020 7:07:25 PM

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Scott, couple more requests. I'm still pushing media to social for latest.

CBC Vancouver seeking update this evening if possible.

CBC Claire 604 662 6690 or s.22

CTV2 asking if wolf is returned to Discover isle, they'd like to attend.

David Karn

On Jan 26, 2020, at 4:50 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Update that the wolf is apparently contained in an underground parkade.  
CO Kissinger and Dekelver on their way. Media already there from what we know.

Stand by for updates. Thanks

Scott

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 26, 2020, at 11:12 AM, Karn, David GCPE:EX <[David.Karn@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Karn@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Just off my bike. I've got it. Thanks

David Karn

On Jan 26, 2020, at 10:49 AM, Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX <[Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Danielle,

Apologies if you get this twice – my VPN is acting up today! A reporter from CTV just called me wanting to interview a conversation officer on camera today before 3pm about the wolf that was seen in James Bay on Saturday. She will take a phone interview if necessary. She tried Peter Pauwels but

he's apparently in Chilliwack today.

Any chance we can find someone for her to talk to?

Thanks,

Courtney

**Reporter**

Alanna Kelly, Reporter

CTV - Vancouver

[alanna.kelly@bellmedia.ca](mailto:alanna.kelly@bellmedia.ca)

250-860-5050 x 117 c: 250-415-0606

**Deadline** Sunday, January 26, 2020 3:00 PM

**Request**

Reporter would like to interview a conservation officer on camera today before 3pm. Will take a phone interview if she has to. This is in regards to a wolf being spotted in James Bay on Saturday, Jan 25.

**Background**

**Recommendation**

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**From:** [Isabelle Groc](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [mike mckinlay](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Filmed interview request for Knowledge Network - documentary on wolves  
**Date:** February 10, 2020 9:55:34 AM

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Hi Mark,

Thank you for your reply, and yes 10 AM tomorrow works great for us. Can we plan to meet up at Cindy's place, where you caught the wolf? I will forward you her address, unless you have it already. What your cell number?

Thanks again, and looking forward to meeting you tomorrow!

Best,

Isabelle

On Mon, Feb 10, 2020 at 9:33 AM Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

I can be free from around 10-11 tomorrow if that works .

Thanks

Mark Kissinger

**From:** Isabelle Groc <[isabelle.groc@gmail.com](mailto:isabelle.groc@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** February 7, 2020 1:14 PM  
**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>  
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**Date:** February 12, 2020 2:37:23 PM  
**Attachments:** [WolfDog\\_PersonalReleaseForm\\_V2.pdf](#)

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Hi Mark,

It was great meeting you yesterday, thank you so much for your time and for sharing your amazing knowledge and connections to wolves.

After you left we realized we forgot to have you sign our model release form. I am attaching it to this email, and it would be great if you could take a moment to review, sign and send it back to me.

Also, I wanted to ask -- we discussed the fact that in James Bay where the wolf ended up, there is quite a bit of wildlife moving through the area. I am wondering if there is more information on this place historically being a wildlife corridor, or if you know of any research being conducted about this area, monitoring the movement of wildlife in perhaps what used to be ancient migration corridors for species that they are still finding even in what has become a built up/developed area. If you know of anybody who is looking into this, please let us know, as it is an interesting theme for us to pursue.

Thanks again, and I will be in touch to discuss more about Sweden wolves and reindeer sometime soon.

Best,

Isabelle

On Mon, Feb 10, 2020 at 9:43 PM Isabelle Groc <[isabelle.groc@gmail.com](mailto:isabelle.groc@gmail.com)> wrote:

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The address is s.22 We looking forward to meeting you at 10 am.

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**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **LOCATION:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANT NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

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I agree that the Producer may have sole discretion over editing the said material, which includes the right to delete, juxtapose, change the sequence and make other changes as deemed appropriate.

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**SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**WITNESS:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Cc:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: For Review Please - FN  
**Date:** March 27, 2020 2:11:53 PM

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Sure

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 27, 2020, at 2:10 PM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
<[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Or if you want me to send to Doug just to square them away I can...

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Works for me too – I haven't heard anything back from anyone so will hang tight on these for now...

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Yep, I like that even better than my softening of it

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**Sent:** March 27, 2020 2:07 PM  
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If these are what we go with maybe soften line 3:

- If the COS comes into possession of the wolf, it's disposition will be determined according to the Wildlife Act and policy. This could include transferring it to the Songhees First Nation.

What do you think?

Chris

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Can we hold off moving this forward until after the call?

Chris

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Suggested media response (could also use internal).  
Ben has reviewed.

Please note I have not gotten back to GCPE/MIRR so far.

Thanks

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**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: For Review Please  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 8:30:29 AM

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s.13

Wait on FN notification until complete or at least attempted. I have RLT conf call at 9am and will attempt immediately thereafter. If sooner, I'll advise.

*Insp. Ben York*  
Officer I/C, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

On Mar 25, 2020, at 8:18 AM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
<[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

I anticipate further conversations but just wanted to send this along for your review please.

Note highlighted line below – thoughts on possible inclusion?

Thanks and talk soon!

The Discovery Island wolf that was relocated from James Bay earlier this year has been shot and killed by a hunter, the Conservation Officer Service can confirm.

We understand the public shared care and concern for the well-being of the wolf and this update will affect many people.

The COS has verified this was a legal hunt by a licenced hunter. There is no investigation underway. The wolf was identified through its ear tag.

The wolf was killed near Shawnigan Lake, approximately 50 kilometres away from where it was released in late January. Conservation Officers released the wolf in rugged and remote wilderness outside of Port Renfrew, on the west side of Vancouver Island. This isolated coastal habitat similar to Discovery Island was carefully chosen – in consultation with biologists – to give the wolf the best chance possible.

The wolf was initially not taken back to Discovery Island as it left for a reason – it was looking for food or resources. For the safety of the public and the animal, the wolf was relocated out of the urban environment in Victoria.

Inquiries regarding hunting regulations should be directed to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

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**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#); [Dekelver, Richard ENV:EX](#); [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#); [Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Media request - CTV - CFAF - James Bay Wolf  
**Date:** January 26, 2020 11:23:02 AM

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Scott,

Couple of media requests today.

CTV2, (Anna)s.22  
Seeking on-camera

CFAF (Al Ferraby) - seeking interview Monday at 8:20am.

Will direct media to social posts unless otherwise advised.

David Karn

> On Jan 25, 2020, at 9:27 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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> 10-4

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> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 8:56 PM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>> FYI Scott/Karn, we're gonna put same on social too, so Karn can always refer there.

>> Please let me know of any update so we can update tomorrow too.

>> Cheers and thanks guys!

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 6:37 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>>> Yes that would be great...unless a significant change occurs tomorrow then we will have to update.

>>> Thanks

>>> Scott

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>>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 6:28 PM, Karn, David GCPE:EX <David.Karn@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>>>> If other media call can I relay this info or would you prefer to speak? Just thinking of the rest of the night/tomorrow.

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>>>> David Karn

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>>>>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 6:25 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

>>>>>

>>>>> Hi David

>>>>> I called the reporter and advised:

>>>>> The COS believes it is the Discovery Island Wolf but this is speculation.



>>>>> It has swam across in the past.  
>>>>> It has shown no aggression and is looking for a place to go.  
>>>>> We are hopeful it will swim back tonight  
>>>>> We are asking the public to give it lots of space if they see it...don't approach or follow and keep dogs on a leash  
>>>>> COS is liaising with VictoriaPD.  
>>>>> Sightings should be reported to RAPP.  
>>>>> We hope it can escape the city without any harm as it would be extremely challenging to capture a Wolf in the city.  
>>>>> COS will attend if additional sightings come in.  
>>>>> Thanks  
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>>>>>> Gents,  
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>>>>>> Reporter: Julian, CHEK TV  
>>>>>> 250 480 3700  
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>>>>>> Deadline: ASAP  
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**Date:** January 26, 2020 12:36:35 PM

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Hey, I think I should put some type of update online, even if it's a 'COS continuing to monitor the situation; there have been no new sightings reported to RAPP today' or something to that effect if accurate - please let me know.  
Cheers

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jan 26, 2020, at 12:10 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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> I will take CFAX tomorrow and Mark will handle CTV today.

> Thanks

> Scott

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>> Scott,

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>> Couple of media requests today.

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>> CTV2, (Anna) s.22

>> Seeking on-camera

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>> CFAX (Al Ferraby) - seeking interview Monday at 8:20am.

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>> Will direct media to social posts unless otherwise advised.

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>> David Karn

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>>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 9:27 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>>>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 8:56 PM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>>>> FYI Scott/Karn, we're gonna put same on social too, so Karn can always refer there.

>>>> Please let me know of any update so we can update tomorrow too.

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>>>>>>> The COS believes it is the Discovery Island Wolf but this is speculation.  
>>>>>>> It has swam across in the past.  
>>>>>>> It has shown no aggression and is looking for a place to go.  
>>>>>>> We are hopeful it will swim back tonight  
>>>>>>> We are asking the public to give it lots of space if they see it...don't approach or follow and keep dogs on a leash  
>>>>>>> COS is liaising with VictoriaPD.  
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>>>>>>>> Reporter: Julian, CHEK TV  
>>>>>>>> 250 480 3700  
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>>>>>>>> Deadline: ASAP  
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>>>>>>>>> Request: seeing tweets by VicPD of wolf sightings in James Bay. Seeking COS comment.  
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<[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:



Here is where we landed. The attached is final.

Sorry Ben it's so late but can you please try and give Justine a shout? Feel free to copy/paste and email this statement as well if she wants, which I've also put below.

If you do get ahold of her, a short blurb on how it went would be super appreciated.

Thank you!

PS – thanks for putting up with me today guys!

Please attribute to the Conservation Officer Service:

The Discovery Island wolf, that was relocated from James Bay earlier this year has been shot and killed by a hunter, the Conservation Officer Service can confirm. We understand many British Columbians and people around the world shared care and concern for the well-being of this wolf and this update will affect many people.

The wolf was killed on Tuesday March 24 near Shawnigan Lake, approximately 50 kilometres away from where it was released in late January.

Conservation Officers released the wolf in rugged and remote wilderness outside of Port Renfrew, on the west side of Vancouver Island. This isolated coastal habitat similar to Discovery Island was carefully chosen to give the wolf the best chance possible. This decision was made in consultation with biologists from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), as well as the Provincial Wildlife Veterinarian.

The wolf was not taken back to Discovery Island as it left for a reason – it may have been looking for food or resources. For the safety of the public and the animal, the wolf was relocated out of the urban environment in Victoria. The provincial hunting regulations are administered by FLNRORD.

The COS investigation is ongoing and further details will be released as they become available.

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**From:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** March 25, 2020 5:15 PM

**To:** York, Ben A ENV:EX <[Ben.York@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Ben.York@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Media

When Danielle gets the final wording can you call the Globe and Mail:

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250 220-2718

250 857-4779 (mobile)

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Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
778-947-0286

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**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: RUSH REQUEST Please - Wolf KM  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 12:51:11 PM

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Concur. Still following up with forest company on trespass piece.

*Insp. Ben York*  
Officer I/C, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

On Mar 25, 2020, at 12:46 PM, Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX  
<Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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**From:** Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 12:41 PM  
**To:** Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca>; Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
<Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX  
<Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca>; Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX <Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca>;  
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<Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: RUSH REQUEST Please - Wolf KM

Hi Paul,

FLNRORD's response.

s.13; s.16

**From:** Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 12:24 PM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <[David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca)>; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>; Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX <[Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca)>; Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>; Lowther, Brett GCPE:EX <[Brett.Lowther@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Brett.Lowther@gov.bc.ca)>; Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX <[Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca)>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <[Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: RUSH REQUEST Please - Wolf KM

Hey folks. Our MO is requesting all km/qa related to this item.  
Danielle can you please send me what you have at this point.  
David, anything coming from FLNRORD?  
Thanks all,  
Paul

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2020, at 11:09 AM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Will do, thank you.

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**From:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <[David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** March 25, 2020 11:04 AM  
**To:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)>; Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX <[Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Chris.Doyle@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** Corns, Paul GCPE:EX <[Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Paul.1.Corns@gov.bc.ca)>; Stewart, Courtney GCPE:EX <[Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Courtney.Stewart@gov.bc.ca)>; Makarowski, Dawn GCPE:EX <[Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Makarowski@gov.bc.ca)>; Lowther, Brett GCPE:EX <[Brett.Lowther@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Brett.Lowther@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Re: RUSH REQUEST Please - Wolf KM

Danielle. We've confirmed COS is lead. For the purposes of MSF's call, please take out the last sentence about FLNRO. For media, we are working on providing background information on re. hunting regulations (we can assess on a case by case basis).

Yes – ENV (COS) is lead on that as well. Including Paul and Courtney.  
Cheers - D

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**From:** Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 25, 2020 10:47 AM  
**To:** Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX; Haslam, David GCPE:EX

**Subject:** RUSH REQUEST Please - Wolf KM

Hello,

Can this please be reviewed asap and let me know of any concerns?  
Jim has asked for this asap as MSF making FN calls.

Thanks!

**DANIELLE BELL**

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**From:** [Pauwels, Peter ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Windle, Todd \(PC\)](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Renfrew Wolf  
**Date:** March 5, 2020 5:37:58 PM

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Hi Todd, yes I will be available for the once a week calls you have suggested . Sounds like a good idea.s.22 I haven't seen any calls in the last 2 days to our call centre.

Peter

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 5, 2020, at 1:08 PM, Windle, Todd (PC) <[todd.windle@canada.ca](mailto:todd.windle@canada.ca)> wrote:

Hi Peter;

I spoke with Scott on Monday and got filled in on what has been going on. I also spoke with Kristine Pearson from Pacheedaht yesterday which was good. We are going to try and support them with some information and suggestions around their campground. One thing we emphasized was that our three agencies should do our best to share information on sightings and encounters with each other, and be consistent in our messaging to the public. Do you think you would be available for a short call once a week between our three governments to touch base? Any other thoughts? I am around most of the day if you want to chat on the phone.

Thanks,

- Todd

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**Todd Windle**

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**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Sorry, me again  
**Date:** March 25, 2020 3:39:19 PM

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Works for me

On Mar 25, 2020, at 15:16, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <[Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Any concern with my below suggested responses for potential media? Feel free to take a stab at Q2 lol.

- **Were local First Nations upset about what happened to this wolf?**

It is not appropriate for the COS to speak on behalf of the local First Nations.

- **Has this happened before? Where a known and recognized wolf was shot after it have been re-located?**

As this is a unique situation, the COS is unaware of any similar incidents.

- **Will this situation have any impact on how wolf re-locations are done in the future?**

The decision to relocate the wolf was done in consultation with biologists from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, as well as the Provincial Wildlife Veterinarian.

- **FLNRORD to add info on bio decision**

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**From:** [Wild Awake](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 9:38:21 AM

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I am being inundated with media requests and would like to be able to speak intelligently about the situation. I hope to be able to say that the conservation service has been very transparent. I think this is so important in this rather high profile case  
Please call me at 604-222-5222  
Thank you  
Cheryl

On Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 9:35 AM Wild Awake <[cheraalexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheraalexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Scott  
Could we please speak by phone?

On Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 9:26 AM Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Cheryl

Thank you for providing these great photos. It does appear to be the Discovery Island wolf but we are still not 100% sure.

The vet assessed him earlier this morning and he is in transit now to a new home.

I am sorry we could not wait to meet you but in the interest of the wolf's health and safety we wanted to get him back out as soon as possible.

Do you by any chance have DNA samples? Hair with roots intact would be ideal?

The Vet is going to analyze the DNA we collected and it would be great to compare so we can confirm. Please let me know so we could meet to pick it up the sample if you have any.

Thanks,

Scott

Sergeant Scott Norris|Conservation Officer Service|250 746-1208

**From:** Wild Awake <[cheraalexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheraalexander@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** January 27, 2020 7:25 AM  
**To:** Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX <[Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mark.Kissinger@gov.bc.ca)>



**Cc:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)>; Badry, Micheal J ENV:EX <[Mike.Badry@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Mike.Badry@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture

Good morning Mike,

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Many thanks,

Cheryl

Cheryl Alexander  
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On Mon, Jan 27, 2020 at 12:03 AM Wild Awake <[cheraalexander@gmail.com](mailto:cheraalexander@gmail.com)> wrote:

Hi Mark,

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You indicated that you'd seen the film and know Takaya's mouth and teeth. In case your supervisors have not seen the film i am sending a link to the BBC version of the film ... it is the longer version and only available in the UK. It is only to be used for the information of the Conservation Service as it is copyright protected by Cineflix media who own the worldwide rights. The password is 's.15

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s.22

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With respect and gratitude,

Cheryl Alexander

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**From:** [Wild Awake](#)  
**To:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#); [Badry, Micheal J ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Takaya wolf ... James Bay capture  
**Date:** January 27, 2020 7:25:57 AM

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**From:** [Schwantje, Helen FLNR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Wild Awake](#)  
**Cc:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Takaya's ear tag?  
**Date:** February 25, 2020 8:02:10 PM  
**Attachments:** [image0.jpeg](#)

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Cheryl  
On the left side  
Very interesting!

Helen

On Feb 25, 2020, at 4:07 PM, Wild Awake wrote:

Hi Helen,  
Could you please let me know the color and side of body where you placed the ear tag on Takaya.  
There is currently a wolf that has shown up on Sidney Island and looks very similar to Takaya.  
Many thanks,  
Cheryl

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**From:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Takaya  
**Date:** March 26, 2020 11:59:09 AM

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Got it, thanks!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 26, 2020, at 11:46 AM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Danielle and Ben

Here is another media request for follow up.

Thanks,

Scott

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**From:** Richard Watts <[RWatts@timescolonist.com](mailto:RWatts@timescolonist.com)>

**Sent:** March-26-20 11:28 AM

**To:** Norris, Scott ENV:EX

**Subject:** Takaya

Sgt. Norris:

My name is Richard Watts and I am a reporter with the Times Colonist.

We are anxious to do a story on the shooting of Takaya the wolf. Would you please call me to confirm? One question my editor asks; Does a visible ear tag give an animal protection from hunters.

Hope you're well in these COVID-19 times and hope to hear soon.

I'm at 250-995-4435.

Yours.



**From:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Twitter post wolf info  
**Date:** February 29, 2020 2:19:44 PM

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FYI it's been posted thanks again

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 29, 2020, at 1:44 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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> Yes I am around. Might be that wolf.

> Yes approaching people with dogs...

> Thanks

>

> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Feb 29, 2020, at 1:36 PM, Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX <Danielle.Bell@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>> FYI be prepared for the onslaught of 'is this Takaya' q's...u avail?

>> Also what kind of activity, going after dogs?

>> Thnx

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>> Sent from my iPhone

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>>> On Feb 29, 2020, at 1:03 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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>>> Hi Folks

>>> Please post today.

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>>> Conservation Officers are advising the public of recent wolf activity in Port Renfrew near the San Juan River. Keep dogs on a leash. If you see a wolf, do not approach it, back away and be assertive if it follows you. Report sightings to RAPP.

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>>> Thanks,

>>> Scott

>>>

>>> Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Re:  
**Date:** January 25, 2020 6:39:11 PM

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Thanks.

Assuming we are just monitoring and not taking action

Thanks Scott.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Jan 25, 2020, at 6:38 PM, Norris, Scott ENV:EX <[Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Scott.Norris@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

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> Thanks Doug...I just called Chris at Raincoast and media.

>

> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Jan 25, 2020, at 6:19 PM, Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX <[Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Doug.Forsdick@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

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>> This is the message I received from Raincoast FYI

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>> Sorry to bug on a weekend, Doug. Chris Darimont here. I don't have Peter Powell's cell. You might have heard that our local wolf (on Songhees Islands) is dispersing through Greater Victoria. I'm just hoping COs consider other ideas than lethal force if they catch up to him.

>> It's breeding season and the two locations I had for him through out the day indicate he is heading due West to the Sooke hills for his first date. I hope he gets there!

>> Thanks for listening

>> Chris

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>> Sent from my iPhone

Feb 29 2020

10° Sunny

Huck re: wolf  
emails. called band  
office COORS

1083 told to go to  
Pt rentrew

12ad gear 1007 up

Chief

1106 up. Pt rentrew.

Low. Subway close

Places for 100km

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134 on

put out 6  
camera foot  
in area last  
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walking

4 houses on

3 lots on island

rd. 2 occupied  
dog walkers

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dogs. / FB push.  
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Separate wolf  
on Friday and  
Saturday on  
lawn. Saw  
Wolf at 10-15m  
it sat on his  
lawn he then  
went back to  
house got camera  
went out. Wolf  
sauntered away.  
Direct neighbour.  
Saw wolf lie  
on road move  
into forest then  
back onto

**From:** [Kissinger, Mark ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Wolf  
**Date:** January 26, 2020 8:20:17 PM  
**Attachments:** [ATT00001.txt](#)  
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[ATT00003.txt](#)  
[ATT00004.txt](#)

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** s.22  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Wolf  
**Date:** January 28, 2020 11:31:08 AM

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Good job Scott on the wolf it ended the way it should let the loan wolf die with his friends in the bush .good to have you as our C.O.....I hunt every season been to meetings years ago about geese on farmers land with you I hope to run into you one day to shake your hand once again GOOD JOB !

s.22

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy Tab®4

**From:** [York, Ben A ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Forsdick, Doug O ENV:EX](#); [Doyle, Chris J ENV:EX](#); [Bell, Danielle L ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Wolf investigation update  
**Date:** March 24, 2020 6:06:54 PM

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Should be last one today. Officers back in cell with final confirmation of kill location.  
Approximately 45 km straight line from release site.

s.15

I'll update when we know more.

*Insp. Ben York*  
Officer I/C, West Coast Region  
Conservation Officer Service  
Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

**From:** [Ben Nesbit](#)  
**To:** [Norris, Scott ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Wolf sighting  
**Date:** January 26, 2020 11:10:21 AM

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Hi Scott,

I was hoping to get an update on the wolf sighting in James Bay. Would I be able to interview you today?

Cheers

Ben

The Discovery Island wolf, that was relocated from James Bay earlier this year has been shot and killed by a hunter, the Conservation Officer Service can confirm. We understand many British Columbians and people around the world shared care and concern for the well-being of this wolf and this update will affect many people.

The wolf was killed on Tuesday March 24 near Shawnigan Lake, approximately 50 kilometres away from where it was released in late January.

Conservation Officers released the wolf in rugged and remote wilderness outside of Port Renfrew, on the west side of Vancouver Island. This isolated coastal habitat similar to Discovery Island was carefully chosen to give the wolf the best chance possible. This decision was made in consultation with biologists from the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), as well as the Provincial Wildlife Veterinarian.

The wolf was not taken back to Discovery Island as it left for a reason – it may have been looking for food or resources. For the safety of the public and the animal, the wolf was relocated out of the urban environment in Victoria. The provincial hunting regulations are administered by FLNRORD.

The COS investigation is ongoing and further details will be released as they become available.

The James Bay wolf has been safely released back into the wild, in a coastal habitat on the west side of Vancouver Island. Conservation Officers are confident this is the same wolf that once lived on Discovery Island, due to several factors.

The mature male wolf was assessed by the provincial wildlife veterinarian on Monday morning. The wolf had no apparent injuries, was in good body condition and was considered healthy and suitable for release.

The wolf had not shown any aggression towards people while it was roaming the Victoria neighbourhood over the weekend.

Although Conservation Officers believe the wolf swam to the capital, it is not being released on Discovery Island as it left for a reason – the wolf was looking for food or resources, and for the safety of the public and the animal, it was relocated out of the urban environment.

The Conservation Officer Service recognizes the public's care and concern for the well-being of the wolf. A similar coastal habitat was carefully chosen, in consultation with biologists, to give the wolf the best chance possible.

The Conservation Officer Service would like to thank the Victoria Police for their help and assistance, as well as the residents of James Bay for reporting sightings of the wolf.

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Report is attached. I also have photos if you like.  
Helen

WILDLIFE NECROPSY  
WILDLIFE HEALTH ID: 20-008  
March 26, 2020

A mature adult, male wolf was provided to the wildlife veterinarian by CO Kissinger at 8 AM, March 26, 2020. <sup>s.16</sup> in a fresh state and transported to the Nanaimo Regional office for necropsy.

NECROPSY FINDINGS:

The necropsy was performed at noon. The carcass (as presented) weighed 65 lbs. There was significant subcutaneous fat. A bullet entry site was noted caudal to the left shoulder with the trajectory wound passing through the thorax and into the right shoulder area. A large blood clot was covering the lungs and heart on opening the thorax. The left upper lateral 2<sup>nd</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> ribs were fragmented by the bullet and the ventral trachea and both cranial and middle lung lobes were lacerated. On removal of the lungs and heart, 10 hard, oblong, pale masses from 1 – 2.5 cm in size were observed on the right 10 ribs, midway up the thoracic wall in a lateral chain. While the ribs were rigid, the bone was easy to cut through, above and below the masses. There was significant fat in all body depots. The stomach contained most if not an entire adult beaver. The remainder of the gastrointestinal tract was not examined. The carcass was labelled and frozen.

COMMENTS:

The wolf was in excellent body condition and appeared to have been feeding on natural food sources. There was a significant pre-existing injury of the thorax where 10 ribs on the right side of the animal appeared to have been fractured and subsequently healed. However, it is also possible that the rib lesions are from a chronic infection so laboratory work is needed to confirm the cause of these rib lesions. The cause of death was gunshot and the death was immediate.

Helen Schwantje  
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**From:** [Cindy Harnett](#)  
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Hello Mark,

Can you update me please on:

- 1) Next steps for the James Bay wolf
- 2) What are the possible areas for relocation – Discovery Island? When might that happen. What are considerations – challenges.
- 3) Confirm wolf is cleared medically by vet please
- 4) Identify of wolf; whether it's yet known if he's the Discovery Island wolf
- 5) Gender and weight and possible age of wolf.

Thanks! Cindy

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