

Oregon Wolf Conservation & Management

2015 Annual Report

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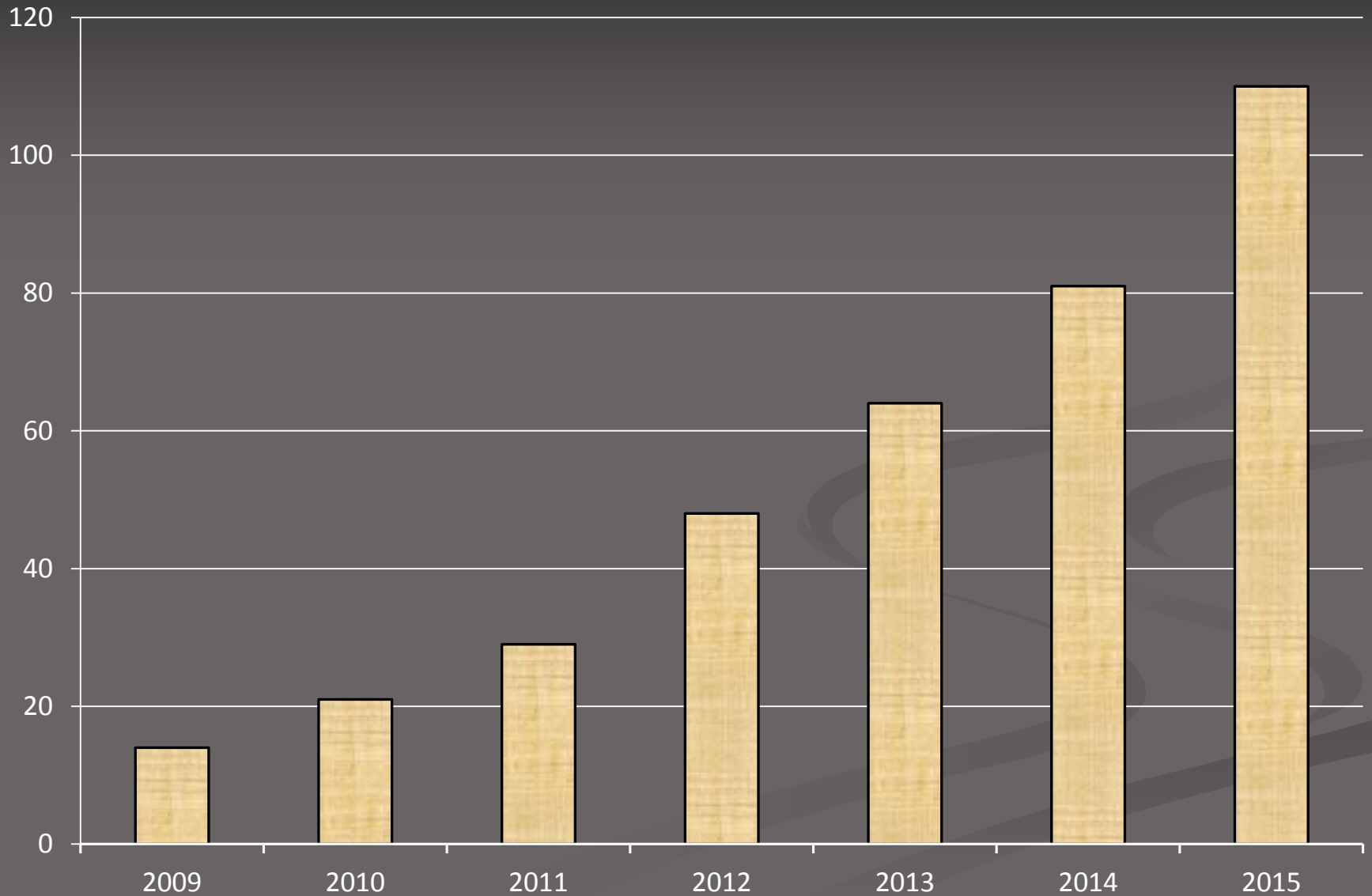


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- 2015 Wolf Population
- Livestock Depredation
- Budget
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Oregon Wolf Population



2015 Wolf Population

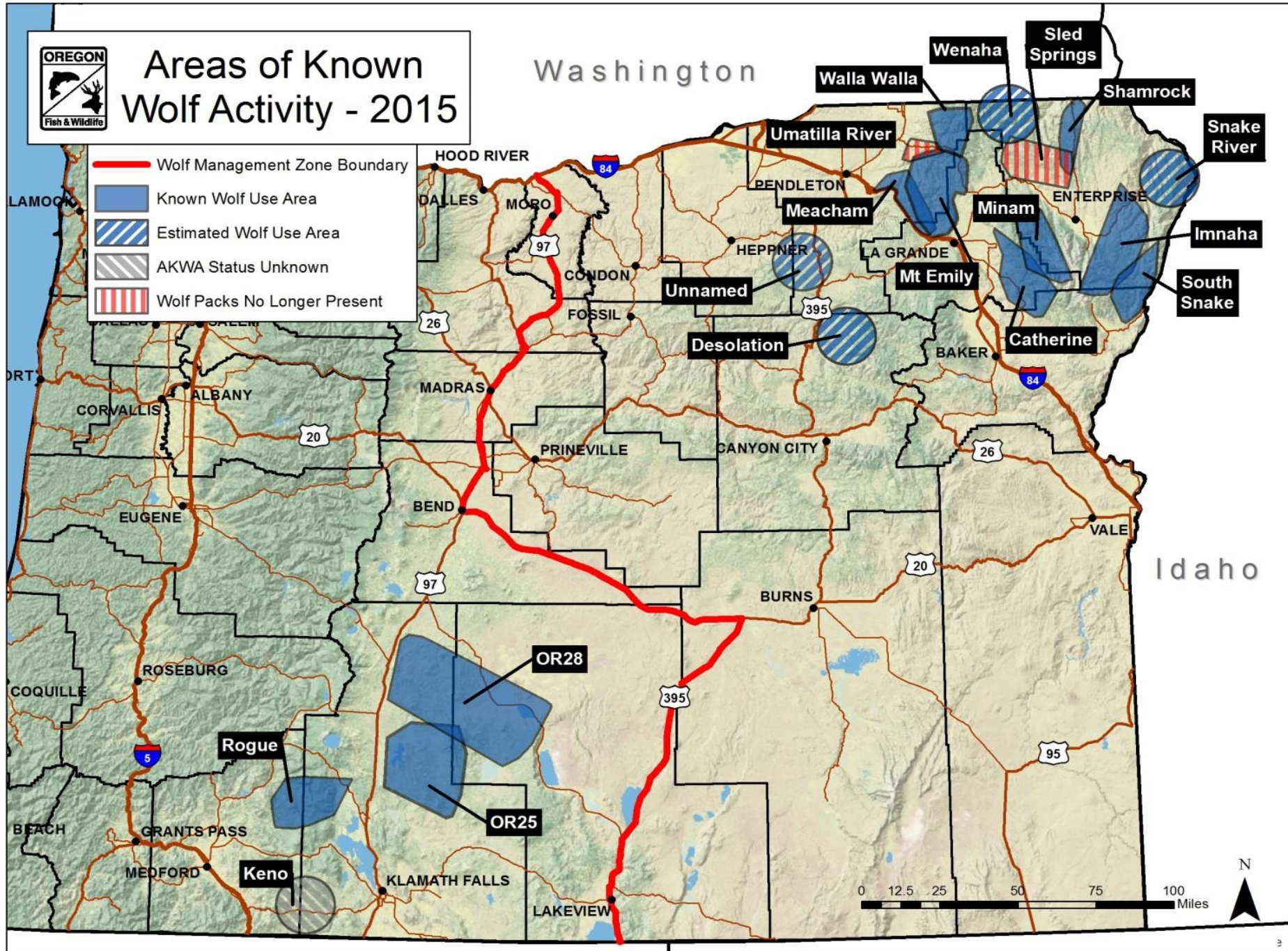
A photograph of a wolf walking across a snowy mountain slope. The wolf is in the center of the frame, facing left. The background features a mix of evergreen and deciduous trees, with a steep, rocky hillside visible in the distance. The overall scene is a natural, mountainous environment.

- 12 Packs
- 11 Breeding pairs
- 35 Pups
- 110 Known wolves

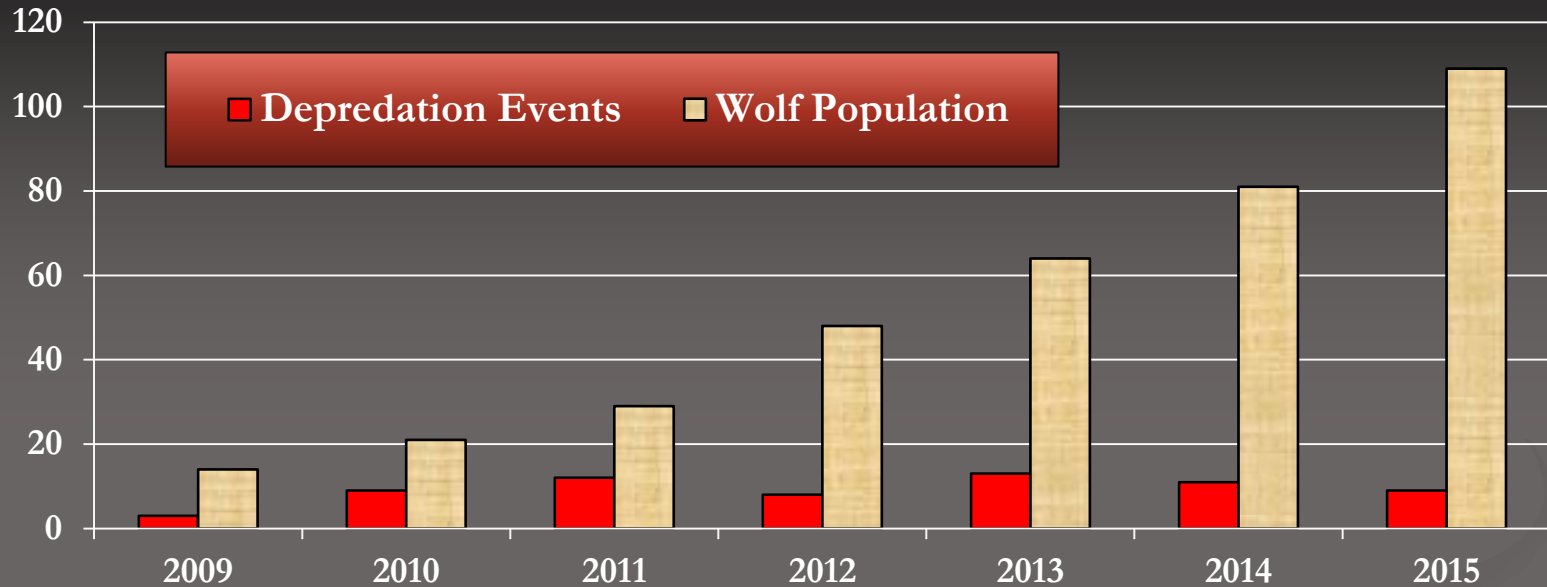


Areas of Known Wolf Activity - 2015

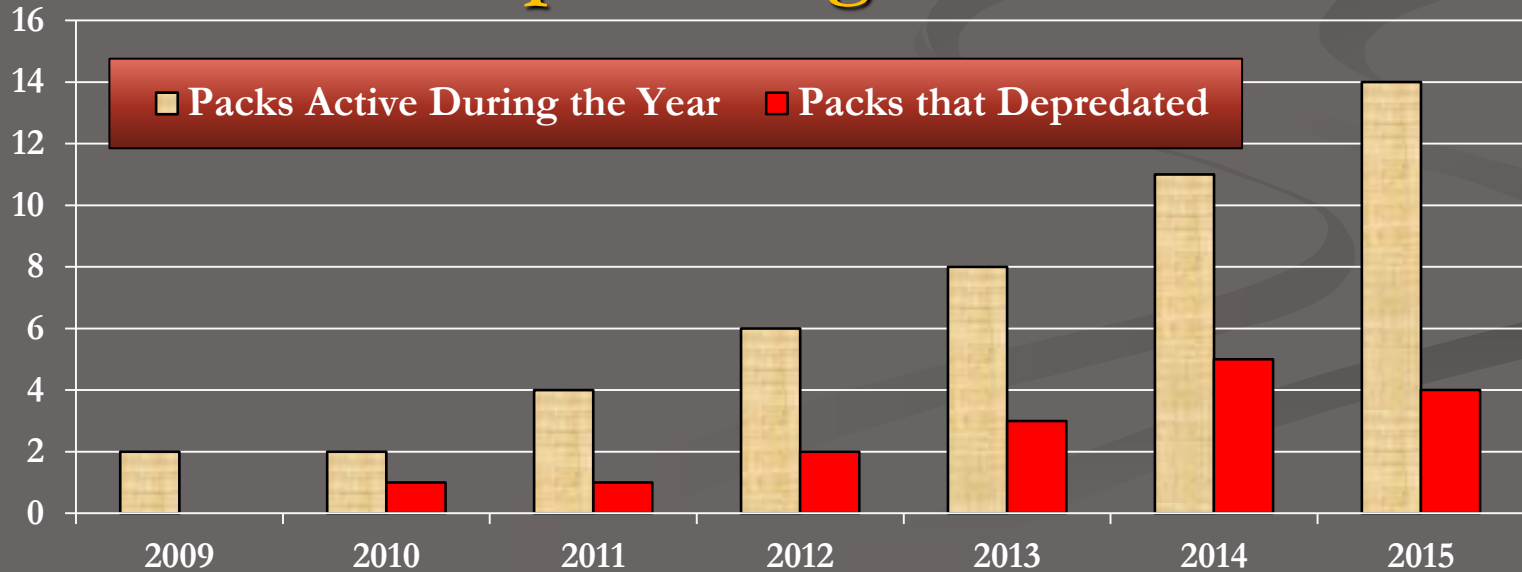
- Wolf Management Zone Boundary
- Known Wolf Use Area
- Estimated Wolf Use Area
- AKWA Status Unknown
- Wolf Packs No Longer Present



Confirmed Depredation Events



Depredating Packs



2015 Wolf Mortalities

- 7 Known mortalities in 2015
 - 2 Unknown cause
 - 1 Poison
 - 1 Unknown but apparently natural
 - 3 Illegally shot (1 case closed, 2 open)
- Observed mortality may have the effect of slowing population growth, but is within parameters of recent analysis.
- All non-natural wolf mortalities are investigated by OSP

2015 Wolf Expenditures

- \$318,322 expended in 2015
 - \$225,742 Federal
 - \$92,580 State
 - \$24,452 License
 - \$68,128 Lottery



Wolf-Cougar-Ungulate Research

- OSU/ODFW Cooperative Study
- PhD Student Beth Orning, Researcher
- Two Primary Efforts
 - Examine Wolf Diet
 - Investigate Competitive Interactions w/ Cougars



Questions?

