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**Agenda Item:** 2020 Statewide Wolf Abundance **Bureau Chief Approval:** <u>TB</u>

**Estimate** 

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## **Background:**

Staff will present the 2020 statewide wolf abundance estimate. This technique was first developed and implemented in 2019. This estimation technique uses remote cameras to estimate abundance. Camera based population estimation was first developed in Idaho for use on ungulates but is being adapted and tested for multiple species.

# **Statutory Authority and/or Policy Issues:**

N/A

#### **Public Involvement Process:**

N/A

#### **Justification:**

Information will aid Commissioners as they respond to requests, recommendations, or other input from the public.

#### **Staff Recommendation:**

None. This agenda item is for Commission information.

### **Action Requested:**

None.