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**Project: Wolverine (*Gulo gulo*) hair samples (GANDA Project) collected on the Payette National Forest, Idaho 2014**

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We performed individual and sexing DNA analysis on hair samples from non-invasive carnivore surveys on the Payette National Forest conducted by *GANDA*. Four wolverine hair samples were analyzed for individual, sex and mitochondrial DNA haplotype.

Two unique individuals (Table 1) were identified from these samples. One individual is from a male wolverine that matches a known study animal from Warm Lake in the McCall area (individual M4\_Mason). This wolverine has also been detected from hair samples collected by *GANDA* in 2013, samples submitted by Idaho Fish and Game personnel (hair samples IDFG\_09-R3N-621-T5 and IDFG-11-R3N-702-1) and a hair sample from the Boise National Forest (09-625-04a).

The second wolverine is new to the wolverine DNA database and has been given the identifier Payette\_Ganda\_2M as this is the second new individual identified from this project. Both individuals have a mitochondrial DNA haplotype of haplotype A (Wilson et al. 2000, Schwarz et al. 2009) that is common in wolverines from Idaho.

Table 1. DNA results for wolverine hair samples from the *GANDA* 2014 survey

Sample Number	Session 3: V3 Data Collection/Pull	Sex	Individual	mtDNA Haplotype	Recapture?
1	3/21/2014	male	ID_M4-Mason	Wilson-A	yes
3 (new DNA extraction)	3/19/2014	male	ID_M4-Mason	Wilson-A	yes
20	3/21/2014	male	Payette_Ganda_2M	Wilson-A	no
35	3/20/2014	male	Payette_Ganda_2M	Wilson-A	no

Please contact us if you have any questions; we look forward to working with you in the future.