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Mountain Lion Kills Calf in Nebraska

(AP) - Officials say a mountain lion has killed livestock in Nebraska for the first time since the predator re-emerged in the state in 1991.

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission officials confirmed that a mountain lion was responsible for the death of a calf last month near Brewster.

The rancher reported the kill on April 2 after finding the carcass had been dragged about 60 yards and fed upon.

An analysis of animal droppings found nearby confirmed that a mountain lion killed the calf.

The property owner was granted a 30-day hunting license to kill the mountain lion if it returns to his property.

Game and Parks officials say livestock losses are more common in western states with larger lion populations.

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