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Report #:	_____
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RARE ANIMAL OBSERVATION FORM

TYPE OF REPORT = Sighting _____ Track _____ Scat _____ Feed Site _____ Other _____

Sighted By _____ Address _____

Sighting Date _____ Time _____

Sighting Location _____

UTM _____ E _____ N NAD 27 _____ or NAD 83 _____

DESCRIPTION OF ANIMAL(S):

1. **Species:** _____ Total Number of Animals: _____

Adult _____ Mating Pair _____ Female with young _____
Subadult _____ Unk/Not sure _____ Other (describe) _____

2. **Describe animal(s)** (Give physical characteristics unique to this species that you saw.)

Color _____ Weight _____ Shoulder height _____ Body length _____ Tail length _____

3. **Describe habitat where animal was seen.:** _____

4. **Identifying Markers:**

Unknown _____ Ear Tags _____ ⇒ Position and Color of Tags _____
No Markers _____ Radio Collar _____ ⇒ Color of Collar _____

5. **Sex(es):** Male _____ Female _____ Unknown _____

6. **Have you seen this species before?** Y _____ N _____ ⇒ **If Yes**, where? _____

7. **Were photos or video taken?** Y _____ N _____ ⇒ **If Yes**, may we have copies? _____

8. **Activities of animal(s):** Preying On _____ Scavenging On _____

Walking _____ Digging _____ Grazing _____ Running _____ Fishing _____ Bedded _____ Mating _____
Swimming _____ Climbing _____ Other _____

9. **Distance between** observer and animal(s)? _____ **How long** did you observe the animal(s)? _____

Optical aid used: None _____ Binoculars _____ Spotting scope _____ Other _____ Optical power _____

Did the animal(s) notice you or other people? _____ ⇒ **If yes**, what was the animal(s) reaction?

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Report filled out by _____ Location _____
Date and Time _____

Notified Bear Management (Date & Time): _____ Received by: _____

Bear Management notified the following (who/date/time): _____

Case Incident Number (For Management Activities or Incident(s)) _____ - _____

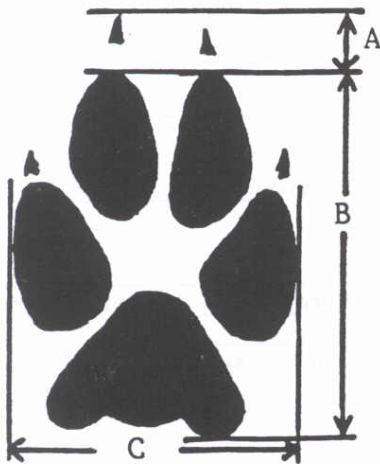
INSTRUCTIONS

Use this form to record observations of reptiles, amphibians, uncommon animals (other than bears and birds -- ask for a Bear Sighting Form or Bird Sighting Form), and unusual behavior and atypical locations of common animals. Below is a list of animals that are especially important to report. **When in doubt, fill one out.**

Amphibians	Fisher	Mountain Goat	Reptiles
Beaver	Fox	Mountain Lion	Whitetail deer
Bighorn Sheep	Lynx	Otter	Wolf
Bobcat	Mink	Raccoon	Wolverine

Provide any additional comments, maps, or sketches below

Track measurements (if taken):



A _____ Claw Length
B _____ Pad Length
C _____ Pad Width



The method of measuring stride shown on a bobcat trail.

Stride Measurement _____

SEND ALL RARE ANIMAL OBSERVATION REPORTS TO:

Bear Management Office, Yellowstone Center for Resources, PO Box 168, Yellowstone NP, WY 82190
Contact at 307-344-2162 phone or 307-344-2211 FAX, seven days a week from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.