



# THE WOLVERINE FOUNDATION

PROMOTING SCIENCE-BASED MANAGEMENT OF WOLVERINES ACROSS THEIR GLOBAL RANGE.

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## Feature Heading

January 2015

## Greetings, Wolverine Foundation Supporters!

This past year brought some exciting opportunities for The Wolverine Foundation to support research projects around the world!

In November of each year our Board of Directors meet to review grant applications and determine what projects we will fund in the coming year. We reviewed 5 grant applications, three of which were returning projects and 2 new projects. We were able to provide funding support for all five.

We continued our support of the [Central Idaho Wolverine Project](#), now heading into its 6th year of research.

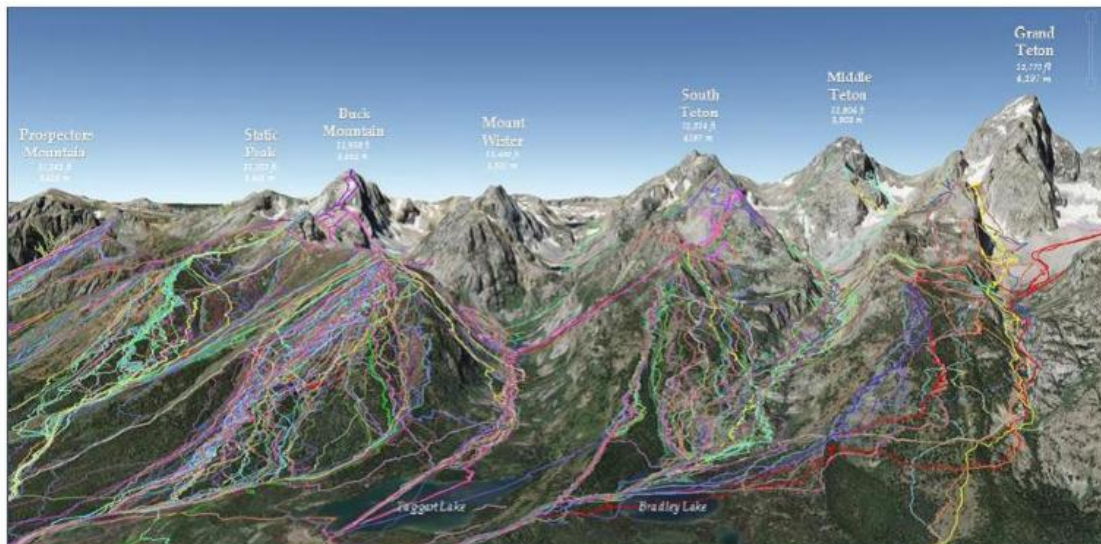


Figure 5. An example of the GPS recreation tracks collected by backcountry skiers in Grand Teton National Park during the winter of 2014; the male wolverine monitored in the Tetons travelled through this area.

GPS data from recreationists (skiers and snowmobilers) and instrumented wolverines will provide invaluable insight towards concerns regarding the potential impact of winter recreation on wolverines.

**TWF Contribution: \$10,000**

We also continued our support of the [Northern Alberta Wolverine Project](#), which is looking into the impacts of oil and natural gas development on wolverine populations.



### **Northern Alberta wolverine at live-trap**

This important research will work to document the effects of industrial disturbances on wolverine movement and habitat selection.

**TWF Contribution: \$10,000**

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A third project to which we provided support in 2012 was funded for 2014. [Wolverine Caching Behavior](#), is a Scandinavian project investigating caching behavior of wolverines under differing ecological conditions.



**Scandinavian wolverine on moose carcass**

**TWF Contribution: \$2,200**

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**[Identifying Conservation Corridors and Transboundary Linkages for Wolverines in the Canadian Crown of the Continent Ecosystem](#)**

A new project this year, focused on the Canadian Rockies of southern Alberta and British Columbia, has been working to investigate conservation corridors and linkage areas for wolverines. In its first year, the effort is focusing on density estimates and occupancy modeling.

**TWF Contribution: \$10,000**

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The fifth study we funded this year was to support **[Genetic analysis of wolverine DNA samples from Mongolia](#)**. The Mongolian wolverine represents one of the southerly-most distributions of the wolverine in Eurasia, and a link toward understanding the old-world origin of the wolverine in North America.

**TWF Contribution: \$3,300**

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Our ability to fund these projects would not have been possible without the help of all our supporters, and the support of our corporate sponsor, [Wolverine World Wide](#).



We hope to provide future support to these and additional projects in the coming years, all thanks to folks like you that have enabled us to do so for the past 18 years. In addition, we hope you will check out the new line of products on our website [gift shop page](#).

Thank you again for your support and our best to you for the coming winter.

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