

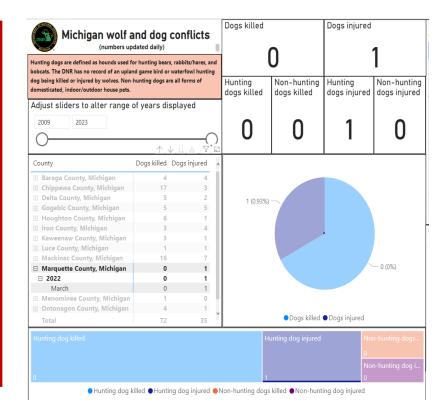
Among Michigan's most iconic wildlife species is the gray wolf, an apex predator and largest among wild canines that roam the fields and forests of the Upper Peninsula

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Recent Predator Activity within Al Quaal Recreation Area

Multiple sightings have occurred within the Area north of Teal Lake (located between Ishpeming and Negaunee). These sightings include early mornings on or along the Lake, tracks and potential animal carcasses / kills. Visitors to Al Quaal are asked to remain vigilant and watchful to prevent potential problems. Pedestrians with pets are reminded to maintain all animals on a physical lead / lease.

The Park and the Upper Peninsula, in general, is home to many different species and we should respect their right to be wild while responsibly enjoying the natural recreation opportunities. COEXIST



## **Avoiding potential problems**

To minimize the conflict between wolves and dogs, it is best to avoid areas of recent wolf activity. These sites can change throughout the year. Typical sites are forest openings or edge areas and often are near water. Activities can identified by the concentration of tracks, droppings and animal carcasses. Be especially vigilant when walking dogs you're following state "Leash Law".

## What you can do

- 1. Report all suspected wolf-dog conflicts to the DNR immediately to allow a timely investigation.
- 2. Become familiar with coyote and dog tracks, so they can be correctly distinguished from wolf tracks.
- 3. Consider adding bells or beepers to dog collars some hunters have reported this can reduce wolf attacks.
- 4. Remain up-to-date on wolf-dog conflicts in the area you plan to recreate by periodically checking the map on the MDNR "Wolf-Dog Conflicts" webpage. For information on dog conflicts with wolves, contact the Marquette Operations Service Center at 906-228-6561

For additional information on dog conflicts with wolves, contact the Marquette Operations Service Center at 906-228-6561.

The MDNR is aware of the recent activity (documented in a "Wolf Activity report)