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39-2024	11-5-2024	4 – Angus steer calves, 6 mo	 RS	None	None	Hwy 87, East on Shepherd Acton and Homer Davis Rd	Yellowstone	Zentner Ranch LP Shepherd, MT	
38-2024	10/23/2024	7 – White Face Sheep / 1 Buck, 5 Ewes, 1 Lamb 4 yrs – 6 mo	Red “T” painted on back above tail	None	None	Near Trail Creek	Custer	Kevin Donnelly, Ismay, MT	
37-2024	12/6/2024	10 – Red Angus calves, mixed sex	 LH / Ostendorf brand  RR / Phipps brand	Ostendorf – Yellow ear tags Phipps – Pink ear tags	None	West of Powderville, 10 miles	Custer	Aaron D Phipps, Powderville, MT And Tom Ostendorf, Powderville, MT	
36-2024	12/2/2024	2 – Angus calves, 8 months (sex unknown)	 RH	None	None	Homer Davis Rd.	Yellowstone	Tom Harvey, Billings, MT	
35-2024	11/20/2024	1 – Red angus cow (color is red w/black spot on belly)	 RH	Light blue tag #45	None	289 Old Musselshell Rd.	Musselshell	Lisa Schmitt, Billings, MT	



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34-2024	10/6/2024	1 – calf, 1 – cow, 1 – bull, Black mixed, Ages mixed	 Calf – LH Bull & Cow – LR	Yellow ear tags (possibly)	None	7 – 8 miles out of Browning	Glacier	Kenneth / Jennifer Ritland Loma, MT.	
33-2024	9/30/2024	34 – Rambouillet X, Ewes, Adult, White face	 Blue paint	Age tags – some with Tetrault	None	Tetrault Ranch, S of Capitol, Little Missouri Rd.	Carter	Jim Tetrault, St. Onge, SD	Resolved 12/2024
32-2024	9/16/2024	1 – Cow and 2 – Mixed calves, Angus, black, 5 years and March calves	 LH	Yellow tags	Cow may have an old brand	Flat Rd., T1S - R20E, Section 12	Stillwater	David or Sherry Hoagland, Molt, MT	
31-2024	9/9/2024	1 – Angus, cow/calf pairs (cow & steer calf), black, 3 yrs & 6 months	 RR	Yellow tags: Cow #43 Calf #50	None	Off Bender Rd., near Blue Creek	Yellowstone	Oscar Thompson, Billings, MT	
30-2024	7/22/2024	100 – 130 Rambouillet bred ewes & 2 Rams, mixed ages	None	Scrapie tags on some	None	1 mile N 675 Sheep Creek Rd, Vida	McCone	Dwight Hescr, Vida, MT	



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29-2024	8/26/2024	1 – Angus heifer, black, 15 mo.	None	None	None	13150 Canyon Creek	Yellowstone	Henry Pike, Billings, MT	12/2/2024
28-2024	6/18/2024	2 – AngusX, Black, calves, 3 months	 LR	245 8017	None	3 miles north of Moccasin	Judith Basin	X D Ranch, Hobson, MT	
27-2024	6/13/2024	6 – Angus (Black/BWF) Yearling Heifers	 RS	Blue tags, no notch	None	Big Sheep Creek, Dell, MT	Beaverhead	William J Martinell, Dell, MT	
26-2024	5/16/2024	23 – Targhee Ewes, mixed ages	None	Metal tags with Flock # & “David Paugh” & Scrapes tag	None	New 391 Willems Road, Ryegate, MT	Golden Valley	David Paugh, Ryegate, MT	
25-2024	6/5/2024	3 – Bulls, Red Angus, 2 – 3 year olds and 1 – 6 year old	 RR	None	 RH  RH	Unknown	Roosevelt	Mark Shumway, Wolf Point, MT	



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24-2024	5/9/2024	1 – Bull, Black Angus, 5 years	BC LR	None	FE RH	Antelope Mtn, west of Cascade	Cascade	Bell Cross Ranch, Cascade, MT	
23-2024	5/10/2024	2 – Cows / Black Angus	TZ LR or Z LT or T LR	Red tags (Maybe)	None	54 Hergenrider Rd., Bridger / T8S 22E Section 2	Carbon	Shawn Titeca, Bridger, MT	
22-2024	4/24/2024	4 – Arabians and 1 – Paint / 9-17 Years	None	None	None	12 miles into the Dearborn, by BLM State land	Cascade	Elizabeth Douglas, Cascade, MT	
21-2024	3/15/2024	31 – Ewes and 89 – Lambs / Targhee X	III Blue paint	Colored tags to year born	None	Pasture 6 & Pasture 3 / BLM Pastures	Carter	Lisa Jean Borchgrevink, Hammond, MT	
20-2024	2/15/2024	4 – Black Angus Bulls, 3-5 years old	JL LH	None	Th LR	10 miles west of Brockway, MT	Garfield	Jack or Wendy Linford, Jordan, MT	



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19-2024	2/14/2024	12 – Hereford/Shorthorn cows, RWF & Brockel face, 5-12 years old	LM- _{LR}	Various tag colors, hand numbered	None	W of Jocko River, S of S Valley Creek Rd., Saddle Mtn & Upper Valley Crk.	Lake	Leroy Morin, Arlee, MT	
18-2024	1/2/2024	10-20 Bred cows/Blk Angus, Blk Baldy, some Red Angus	VH- _{RH} 5E- _{RH}	Primary white ear tags, some 6 or 7 yr old cows, pink ear tags	None	Pony / Harrison area	Madison	Tucker Edmundson, Harrison, MT	
17-2024	2/1/2024	3 – Angus cross / Red & Black Cows/Steers, 5, 9 years & yearling	-C3- _{RR Cow} N3	Calf – Blue tag	None	Wolf Mountain, Siowy Pass, Cook Stove	Big Horn	Clarence Three Irons, Lodge Grass, MT	
16-2024	1/20/2024	5 – 2-year-old Red/Black Heifers	Y6, _{LR}	Blue ear tags Year brand “1” on the LH that is laying sideways, so it looks like a bar.	None	36 miles south of Miles City off Highway 59	Custer	CJR Ranch, LLC., Gillette, WY	
15-2024	1/16/2024	26 – Yearling heifers, 4 – Bulls Black and Red Angus X	ə- _{LH} ə- _{LR}	EID tag – left ear	Bulls – possible	Bar V Unit – Youngs Creek, Squirrel Creek, Tanner Creek, Ash Creek	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	1 Heifer found 4/28/2024 & 2 Heifers found on 5/14/2024 3 Bulls found as of 2/27/2024 and 17 Heifers found as of 1/31/2024



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14-2024	1/16/2024	89 – Cows (2-5 yrs) 17 – Calves 9 – Bulls (1-6 yrs) Angus-Wagyu Black & Reds	 LH & LR	 LR	Yellow ranch tag – left ear EID tag – left ear	Bulls – possible	Grosman-Redman Bear Creek, Kidd Creek, Owl Creek	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	1 Bull & 46 Cows found 4/11/2024 5 Bulls & 1 Calf found as of 2/27/2024
13-2024	1/16/2024	113 – Cows (3-12 yrs), 121 – Calves, 1 – Bull Red and Black Angus X	 LH		Ranch tag – left ear EID tag – left ear	Bull – possible	Dawes Unit – East Fork Tulluck Creek	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	1 Bull found as of 2/27/2024 and 12 Cows & 12 Calves found as of 1/30/2024
12-2024	1/9/2024	30 – Cows / 30 – Calves / Mixed, Black, Red, Baldies	 LS		Orange ranch tag, left ear	Some	Reno Creek	Big Horn	John & Brenda Kramer, Garryowen, MT	
11-2024	1/8/2024	1 – Black angus Bull, 2 year old, and 2 - Cows	 Freeze / RS	 RH	#18 Blue tag	RH	3N 31E Sec 29 & 32, Pine Ridge, near Pompey's Pillar	Yellowstone	Mark & Shirley Watson,	
10-2024	1/2/2024	13 – Heifers / 2 year olds, Black Angus	 RH		None	None	West of Haymaker on summer pasture	Wheatland	Miller Ranch, Harlow, MT	



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9-2024	1/10/2024	2 – Pairs, Black Angus	OR LH	Green tags on cows #36 & #48, calves match #'s	None	SE of Glendive, Sand Creek/Maggie Creek	Dawson	Richard Obergfell, Sidney, MT	
8-2024	1/10/2024	2 – Black Angus Calves (Mixed)	SU RR	Black tags	None	Twin Lakes Rd.	Beaverhead	Guinnane Ranch, Alder, MT	
7-2024	1/10/224	1 – Bull, 1 – Yearling Heifer, Black Angus	2/J RH	Green ear tags	None	Twin Lakes Rd.	Beaverhead	Giem Ranches, Inc. Twin Bridges	
6-2024	1/10/2024	3 – Cows, 3 – Calves, 1 – Yearling Heifer, Black / Brockle face Angus	 RR	Yellow ear tag, right ear EIDs – Right ear, button	None	Twin Lakes Rd.	Beaverhead	Broksle Ranch Inc., Twin Bridges	
5-2024	1/10/2024	11 – Black Angus Calves (Mixed)	 LH	Red tags, white letters	None	Twin Lakes Rd.	Beaverhead	Point of Rocks Angus Ranch, Twin Bridges, MT	



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4-2024	1/10/2024	2 – Angus Calves		Green ear tags	None	Twin Lakes Rd.	Beaverhead	WR or Verna Cleverly, Dillon, MT	
1-2024	1/5/2024	28 – Total Black Angus Cross / 14 cows, 5 steers, 9 heifers		Green ear tags with printed #'s and brand image	None	Mountument Crk, Youngs Crk, Indian Crk, Wolf Mountains	Big Horn	Miller Owl Creek Ranch, Lodge Grass, MT	3 Heifers & 1 Steer found 2/21/2024
37-2023	12/21/2023	1 – Black Angus Cow		One red ear tag #3	None	SE of Reed Point, T25 / Section 13	Stillwater	Jodie or Mark or Philip Prewett, Park City, MT	
36-2023	12/19/2023	16 – Angus Heifers	 	Yellow tag Pink tag	None	Square Butte	Petroleum	Russell LaFond Valerie LaFond, Roy, MT	
35-2023	12/14/2023	2 – Pairs, 1 – Bred Yearling, Red or Black Angus		None	Unsure	35 miles south of Malta, against Ft. Belknap	Phillips	Cliff Merriman, Malta, MT	



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34-2023	12/13/2023	10 – Mixed calves, BLK/BWF	UU, LR JR RH	Red ear tags	None	Wittmire Grazing	Valley	Joe & Susan Philippi, Judith Gap, MT	
33-2023	12/13/2023	21 – Cow/Calf pairs and 2 – Bulls, Black Angus	+W LH	None	Yes. Would need to verify with inspections	Aryes Ranch, 19 miles north of Ismay	Custer	Cross W Livestock, Ekalaka, MT	
32-2023	12/04/2023	8 – Black angus calves, steers and heifers.	42 LR + LR	Pink/Blue ear tags	None	Button Butte	Fergus	Cole & Kelly Norskog, Stanford, MT	
31-2023	11/28/2023	3 – Black angus cows	♥+ LH	Blue ear tags	None	1 mile NW of Benchland	Judith Basin	Damian Deegan, Stanford, MT	
30-2023	11/27/2023	12 – Unweaned heifers. Angus/Salers (6-7 months)	△C RR LE LS	Left ear yellow or green tags	None	4-5 miles south of Forest Grove on Surenutt Road	Fergus	Christopher, Tina, Bettelee Cox, Forest Grove, MT	



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29-2023	11/27/2023	2 – Cows and 4 – Calves, Black/Red Angus	 RH & RR	None	None	Southeast of Choteau	Teton	Charles Stephens, Hot Springs, MT	
28-2023	11/22/2023	2 – Black angus calves	 LH	None	None	East Indian Butte Grazing District	Fergus	John O'Reilly, Roy, MT	
27-2023	11/22/2023	6 – Mixed Calves, Black Angus	 RR	Orange tags, Right notch – Steers Left notch – Heifers	None	Bluewater, various townships/sec tions	Carbon	Yedlicka Farm Partnership Joe Yedlicka, Fromberg, MT	
26-2023	11/22/2023	10 – Mixed Calves, Black Angus	 RR	Orange tags, Right notch – Steers Left notch – Heifers	None	Two Bear, various townships/sec tions	Carbon	Yedlicka Farm Partnership Joe Yedlicka, Fromberg, MT	
25-2023	11/22/2023	3 - Cows, 10 – Mixed Calves, Black Angus	 RR	Orange tags, Right notch – Steers Left notch – Heifers	Cows may have old brands	West of Bridger, various townships/sec tions	Carbon	Yedlicka Farm Partnership Joe Yedlicka, Fromberg, MT	



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24-2023	11/5/2023	6 – Black angus yearling heifers	 Freeze brand	 RR or LR	Red tag #202 Black tag #254, 256, 257, 260 Freeze brand tag # on LH Yellow tag #74 No Freeze brand	 location not specified	Treywich Place on Randy Wolenez	Fallen	Kelly Spring, Ekalaka, MT	
23-2023	10/27/2023	3 – Black Angus heifers, coming 2's, BLK/BBF/BWF	Multiple brands and locations	Ear tag colors could be blue, yellow, white, orange, green	None	Hysham at Hollow Well Ranch	Treasure	Mike O'Neill, Great Falls, MT		
22-2023	10/12/2023	1 – Black angus bull / 2 yr old	None	None	 LS	East of Airport Rd., and South of Allison Rd., ¼ mile	Lake	Luke Miller, St Ignatius, MT		
21-2023	9/20/2023	11 – Black angus yearling females	 RH	None	None	8 Mile Bench	Chouteau	Kyle or Ashley Descheemaeker, Lewistown, MT		
20-2023	8/17/2023	15 total – Corriente: 4 pairs; 2 yearling bulls; 3 yearling heifers; 6 yearling steers	 RS	Heifers – Bangs tags	None	Little Missouri Rd., Albion, MT., close to schoolhouse	Carter	Wendy Rohrbaugh or Gary Bischoff, Alzada, MT		



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19-2023	8/3/2023	2 – yearling calves, 1 bull & 1 heifer, Black Angus	 LH	None	None	3 miles NW of Joliet	Carbon	Lela Duana Van Buren, Joliet, MT	Found 8/22/2023
18-2023	6/6/2023	1 – Bull calf (3 wks), Angus cross	No brand	None	None	Pine Unit Rd.	Wibaux	Louis Watembach, Wibaux, MT	
17-2023	7/5/2023	21 – Yearlings (12 Heifers & 9 steers), Angus/cross	 LT	Steers – right ear notch Heifers – White tags, left ear Steers – White tags, right ear	None	Kinsey area	Custer	Haughian Livestock Co., Kinsey, MT	2/27/2024: Livestock has been located.
16-2023	5/23/2023	17 – Cow/calf pairs, Black angus, 4 yrs old	 RH	Blue & Yellow ear tags	None	North Rock Creek	McCone	Darlyne Dascher, Fort Peck, MT	
15-2023	5/23/2023	29 – Bulls / Black Angus Cross, 2 to 6 yrs old	 LH	Trich tag, Ranch tag, left ear, yellow	Possibly (not specified)	North End Conley Unit (23 hd) and Dawes Unit (6 hd)	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	



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14-2023	5/22/2023	15 – Cows / Black Angus Cross, mixed ages	 LH	 LH	Under bit – both ears Left ear tags, pink or purple	None	Whiteman Creek or Alligator Creek	Big Horn	Ruth Laughery, Wyola, MT	
13-2023	5/22/2023	4 – Bulls / Black Angus Cross, 2 to 6 yrs old	 LH		Trich tags, Ranch tags, left ear tags	Possibility (not specified)	Bar V Unit, Squirrel Creek	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	
12-2023	5/16/2023	2 – Cows / Black Angus, 4 yrs old	 RR		None	None	Hammond Valley Colony	Rosebud	Springwater Colony Harlowton, MT	
11-2023	5/16/2023	1 – Cow / Black Angus, 3-4 yrs old	 RS		Left ear, white tab #9	None	Hammond Valley Colony	Rosebud	Bruner Livestock Inc. Billings, MT	
10-2023	2/27/2023	2 – Heifers / Black & Red and 1 – Bull / Black	 LH	 LH	Heifer: Left ear: Cropped / Notch on top Bull: White tag #26	None	Pony Creek	Rosebud	Karson Kluver & Family Forsyth, MT	3/8/2023: 2 Heifers found



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8-2023	2/1/2023	5 Pair / Black, mixed ages	 RR or LR	Crop – right ear	None	Treasure & Big Horn Co line	Treasure/ Big Horn County	Kent Pennington, Big Horn, MT.	
7-2023	2/4/2023	3 – Black/Black baldy, Simm/Angus cross, calves (10 mo)	 RR	Blue and Orange tags	None	Todd Banner Feedlot	Cascade	Jim Forseth, Fairfield, MT.	
6-2023	1/30/2023	21 – Angus cross, Cow/Calves, red & black in color,	 LH	Yellow ranch tag, left ear. EID, left ear.	None	Bar V Unit	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	
5-2023	1/30/2023	35 – Angus/Wagyu cross 2 yr olds w/wagyu calves. 6 - Angus/Wagyu cross 3 to 6 yr old cows w-Angus calves. 8 – Bulls, 1 to 3 yrs old	 LH	Bulls have white Trich tag. Yellow ranch tag, left ear. EID, left ear.	Bulls may have old brands	Bear Creek., Gross/Redman Unit	Big Horn	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	



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4-2023	1/27/2023	10 – Angus Bulls, Black or Red	IX LH	None	None	S of Big Sandy: 28N R14E Section 33 & 34, 27N R14E Section 2-10	Chouteau	1 X Ranch Co. Big Sandy, MT	
3-2023	1/27/2023	37 – head Angus calves, 11 months, mostly black, a few red and a few white	M LH	Orange ear tags	Various	Round Butte and Crow Dam Rd., Ronan	Lake	Donald Mininger and Kale Gardner, Ronan, MT	Livestock located
2-2023	1/17/2023	1 – Tennessee Walker Gelding, Sorrel color, 21 years	None	Blaze on face, no earmarks, ear tags	None	East Post Creek Rd., across from Cowboy Way, St. Ignatius	Lake	Patrick Dillard, Arlee, MT	Animal located 3/6/2023
1-2023	1/5/2023	5 – Red & Black Heifers, 18 months	ə LH	None	None	Golder Ranch	Rosebud	Padlock Ranch Co. Ranchester, WY	