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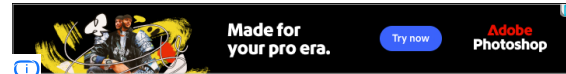
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## Idaho sheriff, feds clash at ranch



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SALMON, Idaho, March 10 -- An Idaho sheriff said Friday that he and three U.S. Fish and Wildlife agents clashed while the officers tried to search a ranch for a bullet that killed a reintroduced wolf last month. Limhi County Sheriff Brent Barslow said he got into a heated exchange with the armed agents Wednesday in an incident that

illustrates growing tension between the federal government and rural Westerners. 'Sending three armed agents to serve a search warrant on a 74-year- old man was inappropriate, heavy-handed and dangerously close to excessive force,' Barslow and county commissioners said in a letter to Idaho's congressional delegation. Rep. Helen Chenoweth, R-Idaho, has scheduled a March 17 meeting in Boise to discuss the confrontation. She and other members of the Idaho delegation met Friday with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Director Molly Beattie in Washington. David Klinger, public affairs director for the FWS regional office in Portland, Ore., said that after the blowup with Barslow, the three agents left the ranch with no plans to complete their search. The agents are investigating the shooting death of a newly- reintroduced Canadian gray wolf, which was found dead near the carcass of a newborn calf on the ranch of Eugene Hussy, 25 miles south of Salmon, Idaho. Klinger said the wolf was shot once by a bullet that passed through the animal, and that the agents wanted to search for the slug and other evidence in the area. 'Preliminary results indicate that the dead wolf did not kill the calf,' Klinger said.



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'It could have been stillborn or died shortly after birth.' He said investigators are trying to determine whether the kill was legal, as federal law allows ranchers to shoot wolves they see attacking their stock. Chenoweth has been one of Capitol Hill's most outspoken critics of the wolf reintroduction plan. At a House Resources Committee hearing on the program in January, she chastised Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt for releasing the wolves despite opposition from the Idaho state legislature. Such a move violated the rights of the state, she said.



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