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(Neb.)-Possible Lion Sighting Near Alliance Unconfirmed

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(Alliance)-The Nebraska Game and Parks investigated a possible mountain lion sighting near Alliance Friday evening. A rancher initially contacted officials after seeing what he thought to be a lion. Officials were unable to find any evidence of the big cat, but are not ruling out the possibility.

Several mountain lions have been sighted in the Panhandle area recently, including one cat being shot and killed near Hemingford, and one near Chadron. The Game and Parks says that the cats are coming into the area from South Dakota and Wyoming, making sightings more common.

If someone should see a mountain lion, law enforcement should be contacted or the Game and Parks office so they can assess and handle the situation.

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