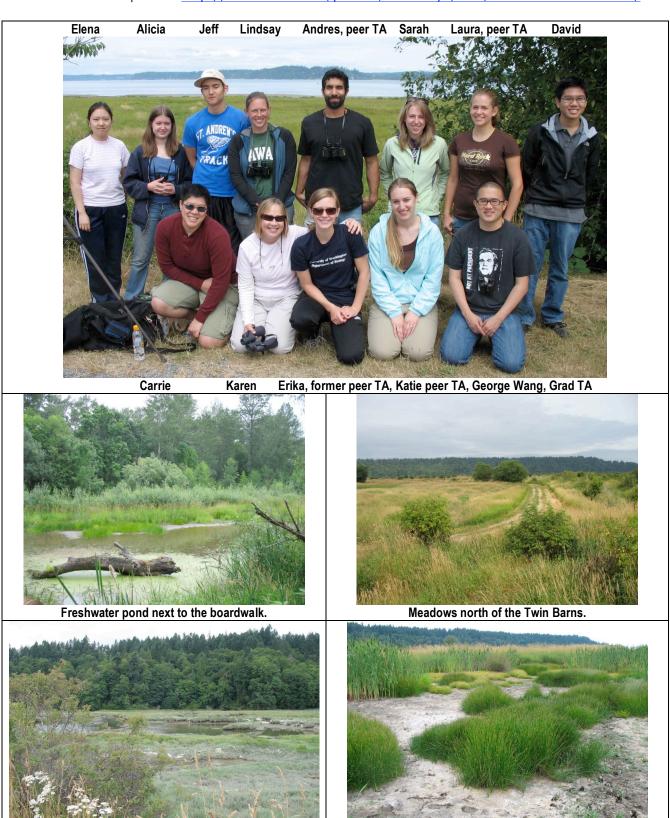
Biology 452

Field Trip to Nisqually NWR on July 27, 2008

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Shallow ponds are drying out rapidly in the summer heat.

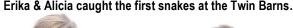
McAllister Creek near high tide.

Herps Galore! We had a record number of captures thanks to Erika, Alicia, Lindsay & Jeff.

Lindsay plucked the Pacific chorus frog off a leaf.

Erika & Alicia caught the first snakes at the Twin Barns.







Bullfrogs were everywhere.



A garter snake with slightly blotchy markings.



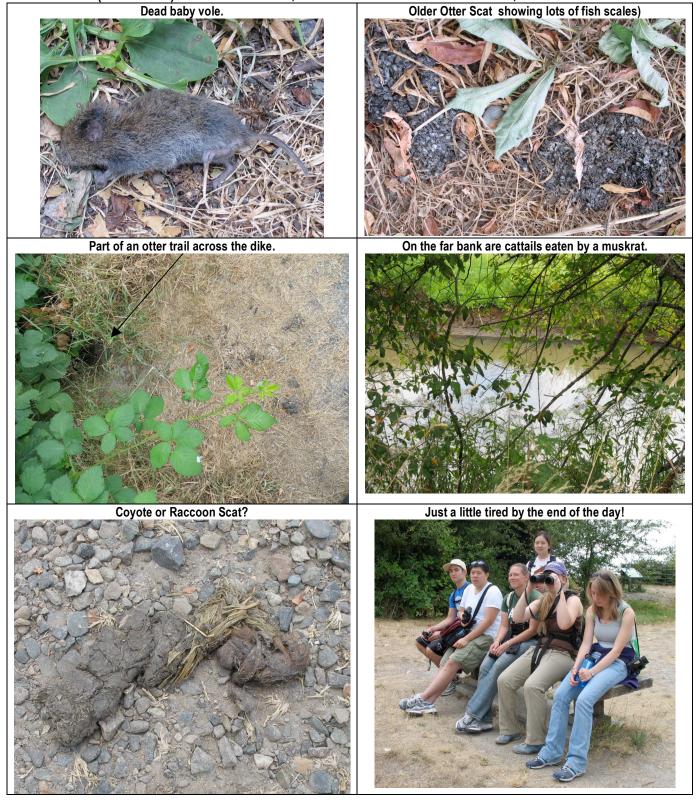
George checking out Alicia's latest capture.



We caught 2 tiny newborns, including this one with tan coloring.



The Ornithology class saw River Otters, Muskrat & Long-tailed Weasels. We saw (live & dead) Townsend's voles, Harbor Seals out in the Salt marsh, lots of tracks & scat. Dead baby vole. Older Otter Scat showing lots of fish scales)



Vertebrates Observed

Class Lissamphibia, Order Anura	
Family Hylidae	Pacific Chorus Frog
Family Ranidae	Bullfrog
	Red-legged Frog
Class "Reptilia", Order Squamata	<u> </u>
Family Colubridae	Numerous Garter snakes (no id)
Class Aves	
Order Podicipediformes	Pied-billed Grebes
Order Pelicaniformes	Double-crested Cormorant
Order Ciconiiformes	Great Blue Heron
	American Bittern
Order Anseriformes	Canada Geese
	Mallard
	Wood Duck
Order Falconiformes	Red-breasted Merganser Bald Eagle
Order Falconnormes	Osprey
	Northern Harrier
	Cooper's Hawk
Order Charadriiformes	Glaucous-winged Gull
	Ring-billed Gull
	Mew Gull
	Caspian Tern
	Short-billed Dowitcher
	Spotted Redshank (rare visitor from Eurasia, if we ID it correctly)
	Killdeer Western Sandnings
Order Coraciiformes	Western Sandpiper Belted Kingfisher
Order Coracinomies Order Piciformes	Northern Flicker (parking lot at Burke Museum)
Order Fieliornies	Downy Woodpecker
Order Passeriformes	American Crow
	Western Kingbird?
	Eastern Kingbird
	Tree Swallow
	Violet-green Swallow
	Cliff Swallow
	Barn Swallow Black-capped Chickadee
	Red-breasted Nuthatch
	Bewick's Wren
	American Pipit
	American Robin
	Swainson's Thrush
	Cedar Waxwing
	Yellow Warbler
	Common Yellowthroat
	Savanna Sparrow
	Song Sparrow Brown-headed Cowbird
	House Finch
	American Goldfinch
Class Mammalia	
Order Rodentia	Eastern Gray Squirrel
	Townsend's Vole
	Muskrat (clippings)
Order Soricomorpha	Townsend's Mole (mounds)
Order Carnivora	River Otter (scat, trails)
	Raccoon (tracks, scat)
	Coyote (tracks, scat) Harbor Seal
Order Artiodactyla	Columbia Black-tailed Deer
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