

Collected one pika (1-9-24-46) from this area. An adult male. This spot is above the depression spot near ^{main} group of spruce. At 8:15 AM made general survey of rock slide. This area is gradually being invaded by the mountain forest and vegetation and makes for an ideal spot for pika. These restricted area held the greatest population of the ergue total, an area 200' x 100'. Practically all of the nests were at the base of the slide in the more permanent and stable section. From this area collected pikas (3-9-24-46), a subadult male; (4-9-24-46) adult female; (5-9-24-46) subadult male; (6-9-24-46) adult female; and (7-9-24-46) adult male; (8-9-24-46) adult male. The nests were placed in every conceivable position. One of about 4 bushel capacity was placed under a dead spruce log which had been lodged in an curved arch. Others were placed along side a large faulder; tucked around edge of boulder; open position; under protection of rock; and along side of log. Most of the pikas were found associated with their nests. The nests were generally located at the site of their escape under ground or within 10-15 feet of their retreat. If a pika was found far from its nest it would be seen scurrying across the rocks to its territory. The average measurements would be about 122 length; 32 foot. Made hurried examination of the remainder of ergue and then gained base of cliffs to inspect 5 nests placed in what would appear perpetual shade. Pika present but weary. Nests mainly open haystack, green but dry. Immediately above and to the right solid ice. This ice formed as fast as the water was received and as a result had accumulated to the degree of completely ceiling the steep gully of flow. A bad situation in winter