

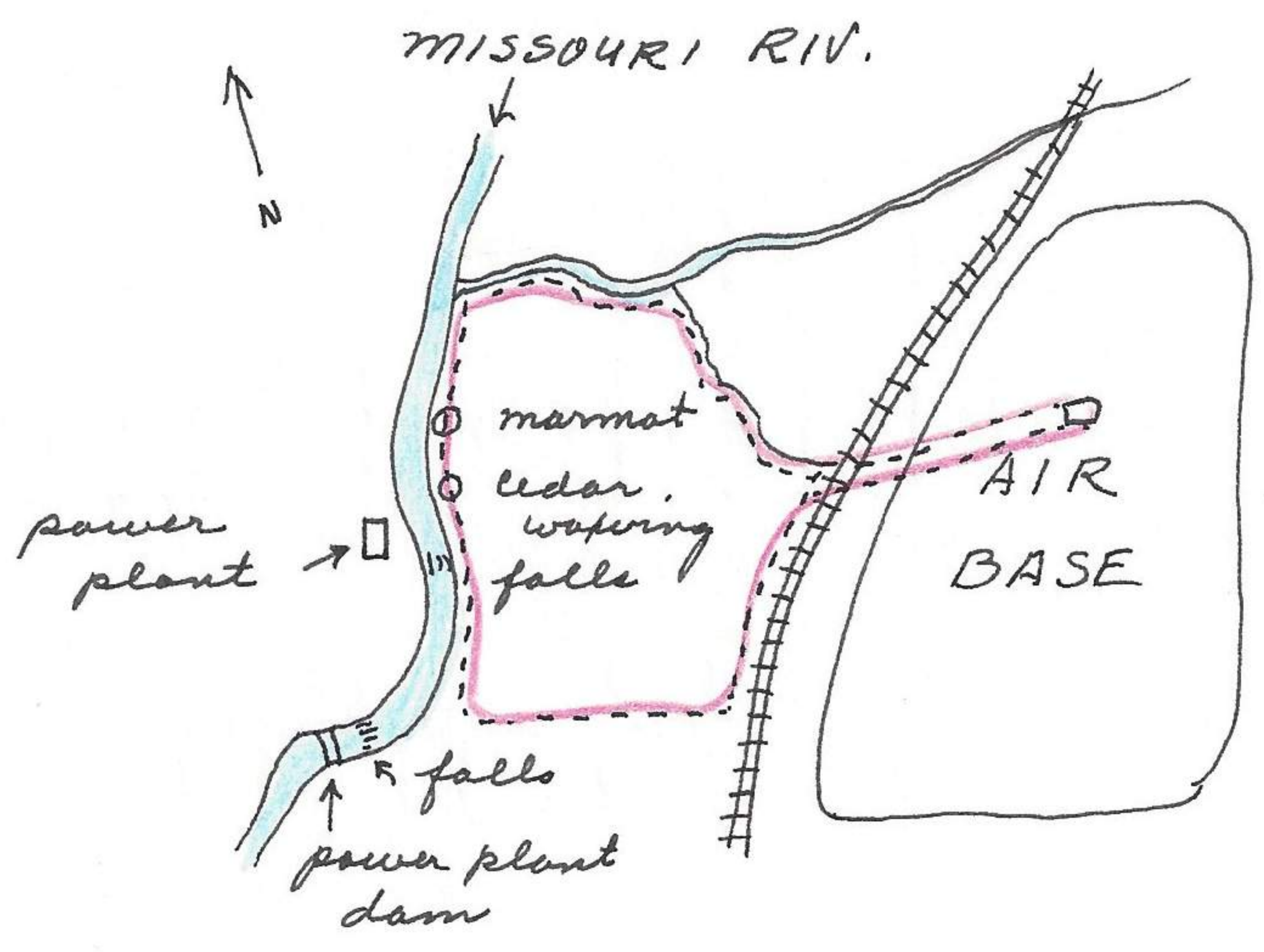
discovered. It responded by rattling at approx 2 1/2 feet away. Photo 510629-1 and 510629-2 of this snake. One Citellus richardsoni along railroad track which had apparently been hit by a passing train. No conspicuous evidence of these squirrels in this area. The following birds observed: Perdix perdix perdix, 2; Sayornis saya, 2; Passer domesticus, 15; Calamospiza melanocorys, 6; Pooecetes gramineus, 3; Riparia riparia riparia, 2 (Copulating); Circus cyaneus, 1; Agelaius phoeniceus, ♂ + ♀; Euphagus cyanocephalus, 20, several immatures; Acris? heard in area. Skunk scat along tracks.

Great Falls Army Air Base, Great Falls, Cascade Co., Montana
June 30, 1951

Jones and I made 4 hour trip near base to check on birds and mammals near base while waiting for transportation to Alaska. The general area is NW of base to east-west canyon, thence west to Missouri River, thence south to railway bridge at power plant, thence east to base.

Started 3:20 P.M.

Observed following birds: Otocoris alpestris, 15, generally distributed on prairie area; Agelaius phoeniceus 4; Passer domesticus; Sturnella neglecta, 12; Citellus richardsoni, one captured by Jones.



It was under a metal sheet on ground near water course along railway track. When placed on ground remained at base of our feet then ran across a road and then stood up. It did not have a burrow to retreat so played its bluff by stopping and standing on hind feet. No other ground squirrel observed nor evidence of them; Lepus townsendi campianus, 1; Euphagus cyanocephalus, 8; Circus cyaneus, 1; Microtus pennsylvanicus, numerous along creek leading into lateral canyon of the Missouri. Soils damp and with grasses and sedges. Less common on slopes of grass above the damp soils. In certain areas cutting and feces almost completely covering surface of ground. Especially numerous under protection of dry tumbleweed-like plant. Jones captured one immature. It swam