


at spring area. At these springs a cottontail had formed a nest at base of small tree. Sides of nest snow and bottom of icy soil. This nesting site was protected by a barrier of climbing vine vines with thorns which protected all sides except the front escape route. The rabbit left at 4 feet and ran uphill, some jumps 8 feet. There were no tracks around nest or resting site so presume the rabbit had not left the site since the snow of last night. 10:35 2 song sparrows, flicker, redbellied woodpecker, 2 slate-colored juncos, squirrel track. 10:35 squirrel tracks. 10:43 old fence and end of east dike. 10:44 approx 60 excavations of leaves by birds with tracks about size of cardinal, 5 cardinals in area. 10:45 2 black-capped chickadees, squirrel tracks. 10:50 2 redtails 2 downy woodpeckers, 4 chickadees. 10:51 Coyote tracks from last and made earlier in morning as about 1/4 inch snow in tracks (has been snowing slightly since leaving car), 2 squirrel tracks. mole working dead leaves and lifting snow overhead. There is laterally placed chambers from the general baseline . 10:56 squirrel track. 10:58 pond at mouth of canyon, 2 redheaded woodpeckers, 2 bluebirds, 3 sets squirrel tracks. 10:58 squirrel tracks. 11:01 beginning of forested area redbellied woodpecker, blue jay. 11:02 spring water open and flowing. 2 cardinals, 2 titmice, fox tracks, redhead woodpecker. From this point on will not be practical to list all tracks of squirrels as they become very numerous and checking tracks distract from forward vision of distance ahead and of upper tree story. 11:05 3 black-capped chickadees, 8 slate colored juncos, 11:15 Barred owl left 150 ahead and flew approx 200' and alighted. A second one was sleeping in tree and was able to approach to 50' before it turned its head from tucked position on back to forward position and then only when I clapped my hands! 2 redheaded woodpecker call at the owl when it alighted in another tree beyond. 11:18 2 chickadees, 1 Carolina wren flew into protection of fallen tree and attempts to dislodge it proved of no avail. 11:27 2 redheads and 3 chickadees. Raccoon tracks following upper banks of river and trending to E in a consistent cross country objective. Hairy woodpecker. 11:28 at old cottonwood tree 11:33 3 bluebirds. 11:35 5 redheaded woodpeckers, 2 cardinals, 8 slate-colored juncos, western race of towhee. Up to this point squirrel tracks cross the trail at approx 1 per 20 feet.