

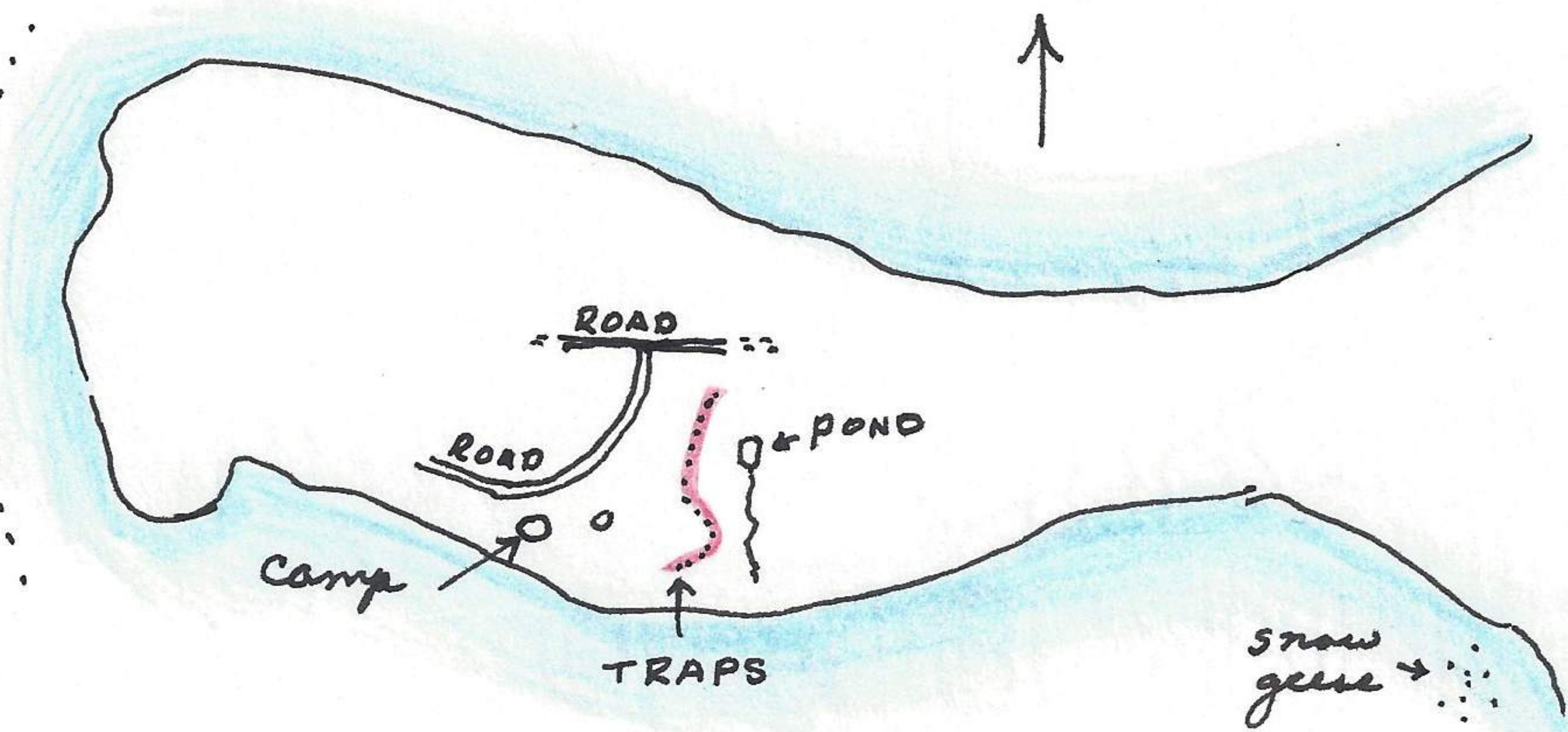
Paradise Point, Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Oct. 10, 1975

Took class Paradise Point to study animal & plant communities and to trap small mammals and on the following day to investigate the beaver population on Dr. Byron Walter's property. Included on the trip were Don Spencer, Nancy Zuschlag, John Thoburn, James O'Neill, Chen-wen Young, Chris Whitaker, Ron Case and Lroor. Left 1:30 P.M. and enroute visited the dam, marina and a quick reconnaissance of the Walter property. At Paradise Point set up one 5 man tent plus the trailer in NE composite. Approx. 200 snow & blue geese in bay to E, 11 cormorant, 8 loat and an occasional ring-billed gull in area as well as bluejays, red-bellied woodpecker, slate-colored juncos. In the evening set 50 traps in field east of camp,

6 pelicans

at contact between the cut fields and the vegetation now allowed to grow among young trees that have invaded the grasslands. Only 2 old trails of microtines were observed along the trap route in comparison of hundreds in the same area in



previous years. There is a decided low in the populations. Largest deer track in area 80 mm. Collected the following insects along & near trapline (see opposite p.)

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min temp last night 52°F. weather perfect and practically no wind.

From trap line set last night collected:

751011-1 *Cryptotis parva*751011-2 *Sigmodon hispidus* 215-75-28-14-58gms ♀ ut. normal.

Left camp 9:00 A.M. at W end of Paradise Point we observed 1830 American pelicans. They were near the west side of lake from the NW bay to the mouth of French Creek. 13 cormorants generally distributed. 2 great blue herons in area and a horned owl called this morning. The harassment of pelicans by boats point out the fact that these birds need protection at this time of year. Continued to Walter's lake. At a point just before dropping down uplands captured a glass snake (*Ophiosaurus attenuatus attenuatus*) that measured 670 mm total length. A dead one was found in same roadway 100' beyond. This road (center in grasses) was bordered by deciduous forest.