

Clinton Reservoir, W side dam, Douglas Co., Kansas

Feb. 1, 1981

(see p. 810203-15 for *Peromyscus*)  
(see p. 811230-137 for *gambelii* - *reticulatus*)

Checked W side of dam along service road. Temp at home at 7:00 AM 20°F. Enroute, highway 40 observed 4 sparrow hawks.

Left station at N. end dam at 9:15 A.M. Shadows off dam slope. A coyote had followed upper road to gate and then over main road dam to timber on E side overflow canyon. At 100' down from gates at head of service road, the coyote left (entered) the service road from the E. (Just a note about snow accumulations, snowed in afternoon of Jan 31 (yesterday) and continued to 4" by evening then slight flurry during night. This is the main snow storm of the winter drought). Down road at first culvert 3 sets *Peromyscus* tracks down drainage and under three culvert. A second culvert at station 1 also had 3 sets *Peromyscus* tracks down drainage and thru culvert to grasses beyond. Wind extremely cold and gusting from N, white caps on lake and good shore action. Between station 1 and 2 were 4 *Peromyscus* tracks. Between 2 and 3 were 1 set 4 tracks and 7 individual tracks going across road.

Station 3. marsh hawk

Station 4 one set 4 *Peromyscus* tracks, 3 individual tracks acrossing road.

Station 5 2 individual tracks of *Peromyscus*.

Station 6 End of *Peromyscus* track. I am surprised that the mink are not hunting this area.

Station 7 Waves influenced action of 60' of ice shoreline.

Station 8-9-10

Station 11 mink crossed road <sup>from</sup> W then travelled S on road for 85' then W off road to reenter 175' beyond, thence S.

Station 12 2 mink crossed road to W.

Station 13 1 mink from W across road.

Station 14-15-16-17 mink left and reentered, thence S

Station 18 2 mink left E from travelling from S, + N.

Station 19 above steel from S.

Station 20 2 mink converged, one from S & one from N, a third left to W. all converged at hole which had been used to enter & leave, at E side road 2' from edge among rocks. A 2 yard area compacted with tracks as if scuffling or playing, adjoining hole.

Station 21 One mink from S left, one from N, off road, a third from S. <sup>continued</sup>

Station 22 1 set mink tracks from S to E, <sup>then</sup> another from S.