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680202-7 Two neighbors farther to N which can be seen in the previous photo 680202-5.

Photo 680202-8 Obstruction Island left, Blakely, Eagle cliffs of Cypress and mt. Baker in background.

Photo 680202-9 Willow Island, glaucous wing gull.

Photo 680202-10 Willow Island from S.

Photo 680202-11 mass of glaciated rock just E of Willow on Blakely Island. very little evidence of erosion of rock at base.

Photo 680202-12

La Conner Preserve, Thousand Trails, Skagit Co., Washington

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Photo 680203-1 Snee-oosh Point early morning lights.

Photo 680203-2 NE channel of Skagit Bay with Hope Island. Outlier Island at SE corner of Hope Island. Rock E of outlier Island just exposed. From camp site just W of 144.

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Temp. 42°F, A.M. Wind from the SE.

10:10 waves landing on beach at the rate of 50 in 2 1/4 secs.

Barrow's goldeneye maintain compact group overaging 1-1 1/2 feet apart. This is normal for groups that are moving from one area to another. In the hunting and feeding phase they become more dispersed but not to the extent of the common goldeneye formation. I have not witnessed the two species feeding as a compact group, however, individuals of the two species will pass each other within 2-3 inches.

One group of 7 ♂ and 2 ♀ fed most of the morning in front of camp.

at 10:20 in viewing area 100 x 200 feet were 10 Barrow's goldeneye, 6 common goldeneye and 2 bufflehead.

An immature bald eagle flew W to the E side of Hope Island and then, without circling or flapping its wings raised itself to the top of the island.

A ♂ Barrow's goldeneye displaced a ♀ red-breasted merganser in a very aggressive manner. The ♀ did not counter attack but was completely evasive.

a kingfisher flew over a group of Barrow's goldeneye approximately 1 foot above. The ducks did not react.