

Birds at Spencer Spit this A.M. (Lagoon):

mallards 43
 northern pintail 25
 glaucous-winged gull 36
 mew gull 30
 great blue heron 1
 bufflehead 8
 European widgeon 3
 American widgeon 8
 american crow 4

At Swift Bay (contact High and Low) :

dunlin 48
 mallards 12
 black-oystercatcher 1
 greater yellowlegs 8
 mew gulls 13
 glaucous-winged gulls 24
 1 great blue heron
 1 American widgeon
 6 northern pintail.

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3 photos nos 870109-1, 870109-2, 870109-3, from Bee House toward Blakely Island of pre-sunrise sky and clouds.

7:30 A.M. first adult bald eagle flew 5 past Bee House at 60' high.

7:50 A.M. 2 adult and 1 imm. bald eagle fished with 10 glaucous-winged gulls off Lichen Point. A fragmented dead bird was in water, half time floating and half time submerged. One eagle tried 3 times to pick up the bird but each time was unsuccessful. Between attempts the eagle circled 40' above the bird before initiating another attempt. After each attempt by the eagle the gulls immediately returned to bird and picked at it. As eagle approached the dead bird the gulls moved out 10'. At times the eagle and gulls seemed to working on the dead bird at the same time. The adult eagle picked up a strap of the bird and pulled the bird 1 foot but then released it. All three bald eagles picked up 2" pieces and flew to a Douglas fir on Lichen Point where they consumed them.

mule deer at feeder at Bee House after dark.