

as they have been a month ago. Harbor seal average 10 (6-14) on Leo Reef. No river otter since last recorded in journal. Ram, a mule deer, still carries deformed antlers.

Jan 23, 1988

Between 12:10 AM and 12:35 AM, 2 bald eagles and the following birds competed for fish during greatest activity:

54 double-crested cormorants

6 pelagic cormorants

1 Pacific loon

15 adult glaucous-winged gulls.

21 juv. " " "

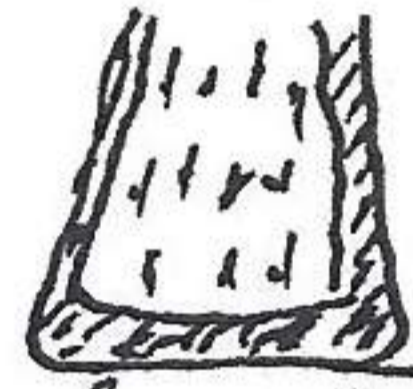
9 ad. mew gulls

14 juv. " "

1 ad bald eagle.

3 imm. " "

1 " " " with white tail bordered by brown and center mottled with dark feathers



The above birds constituting the fish pod started out as 9 glaucous-winged gulls and 2 mew gulls. The locality is 100' E of Flat Rock.

12:14 ad. and imm. bald eagle arrived from N and alighted in tree (large Douglas fir) above Flat Point shoreline.

12:15 P.M. The above ad. bald eagle left tree and glided E in descending steps to area of fishing birds, birds left fishing area, eagle dropped to water (half way up body), picked up a small silver fish (Candlefish), ate while circling and returned to perching tree.

12:16 AM. 6 glaucous-winged gulls returned to fishing area along with 6 common mergansers and 3 double-crested cormorants. The ad. & imm. bald eagle left perching tree, glided to water, picked up small fish, ate in flight and then returned to tree. On return was attacked by glaucous-winged gull.

12:17 P.M. now full complement of fishing birds and greatest fishing activity.

12:18 3 imm. bald eagles arrived and alighted in Douglas fir above Flat Point. The adult bald eagle left tree and glided straight to fishing pod. Gulls left and the mergansers and cormorants formed separate pods and swam away from the main fishing area. The ad. bald eagle picked up a 5" candle-