

from California.

Oct 7, 1990

Left Chris' for Lopez Island. at junction of Elliot and Welch road an opossum roadkill. at junction (1/10 SE) of Fales and Elliot rds in Osbow lake, 74 Canada geese. also at S end Best Road in Skagit Co., opossum roadkill. Arrived T.T. Preserve beyond La Conner.

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Birds observed at Thousand Trail Preserve near La Conner. 8 western grebes, 3 surf scoters, belted kingfisher, 2 double-crested cormorants, 5 glaucous-winged gulls, 6 ring-billed gulls, 13 American crows, 1 great blue heron, 5 black turnstones, 1 common loon.

Left T.T. Preserve for Anacortes. at N end Best Road and highway 20, red-tailed hawk.

Left Anacortes at 5:10 P.M. with the Barth at prime position at head of ferry. 3 double-crested cormorant on Anacortes ferry piling. Approx 60 gulls on piling SW in head of bay. As we left, 9 double-crested cormorant flew by from the W and also 1 mew gull, 1 glaucous-winged gull. 5:15 P.M. glaucous-winged gull, 5:16 mew gull. 5:18 red-necked grebe and 19 double-crested cormorant. 5:21 3 of Cypress Island beacon. 24 double-crested cormorants, 26 rhinoceros auklets, 29 double-crested cormorants. 5:30 N end James Island, mew gull on floating bull kelp. 5:31 Point Fauntleroy and S of Lawson Rock. The question is asked why are there no porpoises in area? In Texas where state ferry cross inlets there are many porpoise in front of boats and there are many boats. 5:35 W end Thatcher Pass 5 of beacon. 12 Bonaparte and 2 double-crested cormorants in beacon area. N Lopez Sound has noticeably quieter water than Rosario Straits. mew gull, 5:38 Willow Island (S end), mew gull, mew gull, double-crested cormorant, 4 double-crested cormorant on roosting SW wall of Willow Island. 5:40 mew gull. 5:41 Bonaparte gull. 3 floats of bull kelp since Thatcher Pass, no other debris. 5:44 E of Leo Reef, 32 mew gulls. 5:45 pelagic cormorant. 5:47 3 pelagic cormorant, mew gull. 5:48 2 common loon. 5:50 3 pelagic cormorants. 5:51 pelagic cormorant. 5:54 Lopez Island ferry terminal 4 glaucous-winged gulls on piling.

Oct. 9, 1990

A male mule deer of last year attempted copulation with mother but was refused. Townsend chipmunks still active. all mule deer now