WILDLIFE in and around LAKE PEND OREILLE AND PRIEST LAKE

BONNER COUNTY, IDAHO AND THE IDAHO PANHANDLE NATIONAL FOREST



WHITE-TAILED DEER Odocoileus virginianus (Large tail white underneath, no black tip, erect when startled, antlers branch up from main beam, numerous in populated areas near lake)



MULE DEER Odocoileus hemionus (Whitish rump, tail with black tip, large ears, antlers bifurcated, generally stays in high mountains)



MOOSE Alces alces (Large, ungainly, dark brown body, gray legs, big overhanging snout, throat pendant, distinctive "palmate" antler)



ELK Cervus canadensis (Pale yellow rump patch, small white tail)



WOODLAND CARIBOU Rangifer tarandus caribou (Severely endangered, Selkirk Mountains herd may be extinct)



BIGHORN SHEEP Ovis Canadensis (Ram, ewe, sometimes seen on HW 200 southeast of lake)



AMERICAN BISON *Bison bison* (*Not wild, only occurs in Bison farm*)



MOUNTAIN GOAT Oreamnos americanus (White, beard, short tail, on cliffs)



AMERICAN BLACK BEAR Ursus americanus (No distinct hump at shoulder, straight snout, large ears)



GRIZZLY BEAR Ursus arctos ssp. horribilis (Hump at shoulder, dished snout, small ears, keeps to back country)



COYOTE Canis latrans (Legs & ears rusty, pointy nose) **RED FOX** Vulpes vulpes (Bushy tail with white tip, legs and feet black)



GRAY WOLF Canis lupus (gray to black)



WOLVERINE Gulo gulo (Rare and threatened)



STRIPED SKUNK Mephitis mephitis (White "V" on back)



MOUNTAIN LION (Cougar) Puma concolor (Largest cat around, long tail with dark tip)



BOBCAT Lynx rufus (Short tail with tip black on top only)



LYNX Lynx lynx (Long ear tufts, tip of short tail black all around)



SHORT-TAILED WEASEL Mustela ermine (Also known as "ERMINE", turns all white in winter except black tail tip)



AMERICAN PINE MARTEN Martes americana (Yellowish fur shading to brown on legs & bushy tail, pale buff throat and breast)



COMMON RACCOON *Procyon lotor* (Black face mask, rings on tail)

NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER *Lontra canadensis (Brown above, silvery tail hairy, thick at base tapering toward tip, feet webbed, small ears)*



MUSKRAT Ondatra zibethicus (Tail naked, scaly, black, flattened from side to side, fur brown, belly silvery)



NORTH AMERICAN BEAVER Castor canadensis (Tail naked, scaly and paddle-shaped, large front teeth, hind feet webbed)

NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE Erethizon dorsatum



FOX SQUIRREL Sciurus niger (Common in towns, yards)



COLUMBIAN GROUND SQUIRREL Urocitellus columbianus (Burrowing, small ears, reddish feet and legs, short bushy tail)



AMERICAN RED SQUIRREL *Tamiasciurus hudsonicus* (Ear tufts, black side stripe between the white belly and gray back)



WESTERN CHIPMUNK Neotamias sp. (possibly the "LEAST CHIPMUNK" Neotamias minimus)



SNOWSHOE HARE Lepus americanus (Brown-gray in summer, turns all white in winter except black ear tips, very large hind feet)



DEER MOUSE *Peromyscus maniculatus (White feet and belly, tail dark above and white below and as long as rest of body)*



SHREW Sorex sp. (Tiny, mouse-like, very small ears, forages frantically in lawns for insects)





Matt Reinbold

BIG BROWN BAT *Eptesicus fuscus*



VESPER BAT Vespertilionidae





LONG-TOED SALAMANDER Ambystoma macrodactylum (Long outer fourth toe on the hind limbs, mottled black, brown, and yellow with small whitish spots, adult usually has irregular yellow dorsal stripe) COEUR D'ALENE SALAMANDER Plethodon idahoensis



WESTERN TOAD *Anaxyrus boreas* (White back stripe, spotted belly)



SIERRAN TREE FROG *Pseudacris sierra* (Small frog, less than 2", black or dark brown eye stripe from nose across eye to shoulder, color variable green to gray or brown, pads on toe-tips)







AMERICAN BULLFROG *Lithobates catesbeianus (Largest frog around 3-6", large eardrum, sound a loud bass "garump", large tadpole, juvenile has "parietal eye" atop head, INTRODUCED)*



COLUMBIA SPOTTED FROG Rana luteiventris



NORTHERN ALLIGATOR LIZARD Elgaria coerulea



WESTERN SKINK Plestiodon skiltonianus (Dark side body stripe, juveniles have blue tail)



WESTERN PAINTED TURTLE *Chrysemys picta ssp. bellii* (Orange-red underside, aquatic, often seen "sunning" on logs and rocks, treks up from lake to lay eggs)



VALLEY GARTER SNAKE Thamnophis sirtalis ssp. fitchi (Dorsal and lateral stripes and red blotches on sides) (A subspecies of the Common Garter Snake T. sirtalis)



WANDERING GARTER SNAKE *Thamnophis elegans ssp. vagrans* (A subspecies of the Western Terrestrial Garter Snake T. elegans)

NORTHERN RUBBER BOA Charina bottae

COMMON GAME FISH Drawings from Idaho Fish & Game Fish Identification site (https://idfg.idaho.gov/rules/fish)

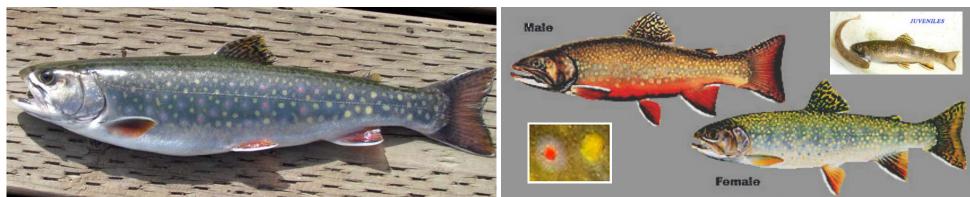


KOKANEE Oncorhynchus nerka (Small, landlocked Sockeye Salmon , greenish-blue back with faint speckling and few if any spots, sides & belly silvery, no spots on dorsal fin or tail. Spawning color red, with greenish head in Sept.-Dec.)





RAINBOW TROUT Oncorhynchus mykiss (Usually has pinkish side streak, back greenish-blue, belly white, spots on back, sides, head, dorsal fin and tail)



BROOK TROUT Salvelinus fontinalis (Upper body and dorsal fin with mottled or worm-like markings, sides with pale spots and red spots with bluish halos, white leading edge on lower fins and lower tail, tail square or slightly forked, non-native)



CUTTHROAT TROUT Onchorhynchus clarkii (Distinctive red-orange slashes on underside of lower jaw, body color variable, back gray to olive green, sides may be yellow-brown with red or pink belly, spots on dorsal fins and tail. NATIVE)



BULL TROUT Salvelinus confluentus (Body olive-green, belly white, upper body with yellow spots, sides with red or orange spots, no halos around spots, no spots or black marks on dorsal fin, tail slightly forked. NATIVE, NO HARVEST ALLOWED)



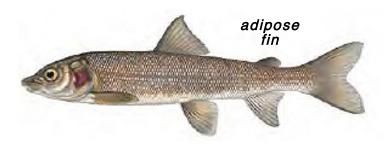
LAKE TROUT (Mackinaw) Salvelinus namaycush (Body dark gray to gray-green, belly light gray to white, irregular shaped light gray spots on back, sides, dorsal fin and tail, deeply forked tail. INTRODUCED)



LAKE WHITEFISH Coregonus clupeaformis (Large scales, no spots, small mouth, no teeth, body olive green to light brown. INTRODUCED)



Crow with Whitefish stolen from Osprey



MOUNTAIN WHITEFISH Prosopium williamsoni (Back grayish-blue, sides silvery, small mouth, no teeth, larger scales than trout. NATIVE)

no adipose fin



NORTHERN PIKEMINNOW Ptychocheilus oregonensis (No adipose fin between dorsal fin and tail, body yellowish, back olive-green, sides grayish-silver, belly yellowish-white, distinctly forked tail, no spots on fins, large mouth,NATIVE)



TENCH Tinca tinca





WALLEYE Sander vitreus (INTRODUCED)



YELLOW BULLHEAD Ameiurus natalis

PUMPKINSEED Lepomis gibbosus



SMALLMOUTH BASS *Micropterus dolomieui (Back olive to brown, sides bronze, belly white, vertical bands on sides, eyes reddish, upper jaw when closed does not extend behind eye, scaly. (INTRODUCED)*





LARGEMOUTH BASS *Micropterus salmoides (Back and sides dark green, belly white, irregular horizontal band along side, upper jaw when closed extends behind eye, scaly. (INTRODUCED)*

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