

1997 Spring VHS Survey

On 9-11 May 1997 the Virginia Herpetological Society surveyed the Naval Security Group Activity facility at Chesapeake, Virginia. Over 30 members were divided into groups, with each group being given the responsibility for surveying a particular area. Although the skies became overcast late in the day, we had wonderful weather and a good survey. The following 38 species (17 amphibians and 21 reptiles) were observed.

Amphibians (17 species)

Anurans (14 species)

Acris gryllus gryllus Southern cricket frog
Bufo Americanus American toad
Bufo fowleri Fowler's toad
Bufo quercicus Oak toad (SC)
Bufo terrestris Southern toad
Gastrophryne carolinensis Eastern narrow mouth toad
Hyla chrysoscelis Cope's gray treefrog
Hyla cinerea Green treefrog
Hyla squirrela Squirrel treefrog
Limnaoedus ocularis Little grass frog
Rana catesbeiana Bullfrog
Rana clamitans Green frog
Rana palustris Pickerel frog
Rana utricularia Southern leopard frog

Caudates (3 species)

Ambystoma opacum Marbled salamander
Plethodon chlorobryonis Atlantic coastal slimy salamander
Plethodon cinereus Redback salamander

Reptiles (21 species)

Snakes (10 species)

Carphophis amoenus amoenus Eastern worm snake
Coluber constrictor constrictor Northern black racer
Diadophis punctatus punctatus Southern ringneck snake
Elaphe obsoleta obsoleta Black rat snake
Heterodon platirhinos Eastern hognose snake
Lampropeltis getula getula Eastern kingsnake
Nerodia erythrogaster erythrogaster
Red-belly water snake
Nerodia sipedon sipedon Northern water snake
Thamnophis sauritus sauritus Eastern ribbon snake
Thamnophis sirtalis sirtali Eastern garter snake

Lizards (4 species)

Eumeces fasciatus Five-lined skink

Eumeces inexpectatus Southern five-lined skink
Eumeces laticeps Broadhead skink
Scincella lateralis Ground skink

Turtles (7 species)

Clemmys guttata Spotted turtle
Chrysemys picta picta Eastern painted turtle
Chelydra serpentina serpentina
Common snapping turtle
Kinosternon subrubrum subrubum
Eastern mud turtle
Sternotherus odoratus Musk turtle
Trachemys scripta scripta Yellowbelly slider
Terrapene carolina carolina Eastern box turtle

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