

A Basking Behavior Study of the Eastern Spiny Softshell Turtle
(Apalone s. spinifera) in
Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee

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ABSTRACT

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The study focused on the Eastern Spiny Softshell Turtle (*Apalone spinifera spinifera*) in Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee. The objective was to study the basking behavior of females and males, to determine whether large females dominated the basking sights compared to smaller males. Population data, which included, adult verses juvenile basking time differentiations and female domination over males at the basking sites.

Approximately 250 hours, spanning 35 days of research and 938 trap hours, were recorded from 4 May 2004 thru 27 September 2004. During the study, 17 softshell turtles were trapped, consisting of 11 females and six males. Four of the males were captured at basking and two at non-basking sites. Seven of the females were captured at basking and four at non-basking sites.

It was learned that both males and females bask primarily between the times of 1300-1400 hours. And that the females of the species do not dominate the basking sites. It was also learned via visual basking study that the juveniles bask later in the day vs. adults. In addition, the softshells were most active during clear weather conditions.

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INTRODUCTION

The superfamily Trionychoidea (Lesuer) consists of all softshell turtles. Goin and Goin (1962) wrote in their description of the softshell turtles (also known as pancake turtles) that the species lack epidermal laminae and their bony shell is somewhat reduced. The plastral bridge is absent. The shell is low, usually nearly circular in outline, and covered with a leathery skin. The neck is long and retractile, the lips are fleshy, not covered with horny beaks like those of other turtles, and the snout is drawn out into a fleshy proboscis with the nostrils at the tip. The limbs are paddle like, with three claws on each foot. The skull is deeply emarginated behind. Only one family is known, which is the family Trionychidae. These extremely aquatic, bottom-dwelling turtles are found chiefly in rivers, less often in ponds, lakes, and swamps. They are moderate to rather large in size, with shell lengths from 23 to 80 cm. Most species are carnivorous, waiting for their prey concealed in the bottom mud or sand, or actively foraging. Occasionally plant food is taken.

Adult males have long thick tails with the anal opening near the tip. They retain the juvenile pattern of ocelli, spots, and lines. Adult females have short tails situated beneath the carapace. They develop a mottled or blotched pattern when about 52mm in carapace length that is not correlated with the attainment of sexual maturity (Webb, 1956). Adult females are more than 1.6 times larger on average, than adult males (Ernst, Lovich, Barber, 1994)

According to Jackson (1971) Steele Creek Lake must be treated more like a pond rather than a lake. It lacks many of the characteristics normally associated with a lake. Steele Creek and the lake originates from a series of springs in Washington County Virginia. Run-off from

surrounding farmlands periodically increases its flow. A dam was built across the gorge where the creek passes through the Beaver Creek Knobs. In the early 1960's the waters were impounded to form the Steele Creek Reservoir. The 27-hectare lake is used for recreational purposes, and although it is located inside the Bristol, Tennessee City limits, it is technically under the jurisdiction of the Tennessee Game and Fish Commission who stocked the lake with largemouth bass, bluegill and channel catfish when it was first impounded.

Previous studies of the natural history of the park include observations of the aquatic softshell turtles (Brent Rowell 1970, Joe Jackson 1971) but none include extensive observation or involved trapping turtles.

The annual activity cycle lasts from about May to October. Adults appear earlier in the spring and remain active longer in the fall than do juveniles (Ernst, Lovich, Barbour 1994).

The Eastern Spiny Softshell Turtle is a native of Tennessee and its status, according to Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA), is "fairly common" in the state. It is not believed to have been introduced in the park but more than likely migrated into Steele Creek Lake from Beaver Creek and Steele Creek or was in the stream when the lake was impounded. If feasible, this assumption would make an interesting study.

Basking material in an impoundment such as this is important to the species' livelihood. According to Boyer (1965), Moll and Legler (1971), and Vogt (1979) turtles require heat from sunlight (known as basking) during the day to provide the energy for food digestion and movement. Sunlight also rids the carapace of aquatic parasitic organisms.

Data from the capture and/or marking of Common Musk Turtle (*Sternotherus odoratus*), Red-eared Sliders (*Trachemys scripta elagans*), Common Map Turtle (*Graptemys geographica*),

Eastern Painted Turtle (*Chrysemys picta picta*), and Common Snapping Turtle (*Chelydra serpentina serpentina*) were recorded.

I hypothesized that: 1) trapping at basking sites will produce more females than males because of female domination over males (size determines dominance); therefore, it was logical to predict that trapping at basking sites, as well as the visual basking study, will produce more females than males.

2) Larger adults will dominate juveniles at basking sites; I predicted that trapping will find more adults than juveniles and that visual basking study will show juveniles basking later in the day verses adults.

Therefore, if the first hypothesis is correct, then I expect a higher proportion of females at basking sites compared to the overall population and see a higher number of females basking than males. If the second is correct, then I expect to see a higher catch rate of adults verses the juveniles and a higher rate of juveniles later in the day than earlier in the day.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

My hypotheses were tested using two methods: a trapping study and a visual basking study.

Twenty trapping sites (Figure 1) were located in Steele Creek Park Lake, which is approximately 27 hectares of the 1100-hectare park located in Bristol, Sullivan County, Tennessee. Ten sites consisting of some type of basking material and the remaining 10 had no basking material within its vicinity. Basking and non-basking sites were distributed throughout the lake to approximate randomization.

Basking sites were classified as having a material protruding from the water that appears to have turtle activity. This material must be larger than the turtle's circumference and at such an angle where it can climb onto and get off of easily. Non-basking sites had no basking material at or near the location. When recording an observed basking softshell, the following was noted: temperature of air and water, weather condition, water condition, depth of basking area, and Secchi disk reading. Also, basking material, its condition, location, and temperature were taken. In addition, percentage of sunlight, gender of turtle, and size were also recorded.

Four finger-throated hoop traps (Memphis Net & Twine Co., Inc.) were used in 20 trapping locations, 10 being basking sites and 10 being non-basking sites. Each site had a simple description of water depth and general terrestrial habitat. Poly-braided rope and "S" hooks were used to secure the traps; two ropes were connected to the front and one to the rear of the trap. The ropes were secured to tree branches or concrete blocks underneath the water held the entrance. One ocean perch fillet and two chicken gizzards were used for bait in each trap.

Before each trapping field day, there was random selection of trap locations to be used.

A Jon Boat with a five horsepower motor was used for transportation to and from the trapping locations where the traps were checked in two to three hour intervals.

Upon catching a turtle, temperature was taken of the bottom and surface of the water and air of the trapping location. This is important information as to achieve knowledge of the species preferred temperatures.

The weather conditions were noted (for example partly cloudy) and the water conditions (for example apparently normal, murky etc.)

Secchi disk readings were taken for water clarity and depth; it is a circular shaped disk that is connected to a rope which is marked off every one meter.

Measurements of the turtle's carapace, plastron, tail, and right hind foot were made using calipers or metric tape measurer and weighed using a 5kg or 1kg Pesola® scale according to size.

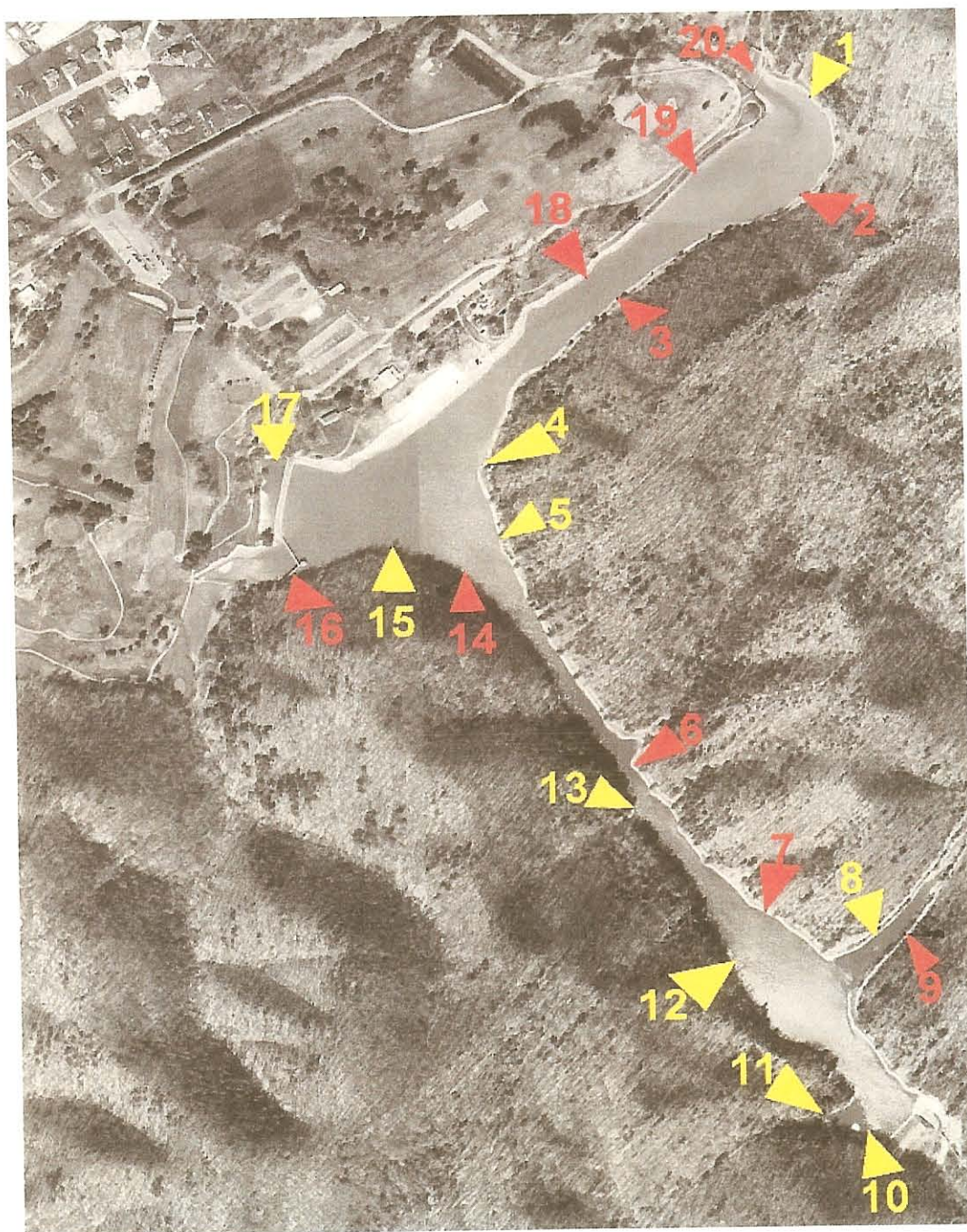
There was no marking method for the softshells in this study. Measurements, markings, and digital photographs that were taken from every turtle caught identified recaptures. Tags were not used because incisions would have to be made (Dreslik 1997). Species other than the softshell were marked using a three-corner file on the marginal scutes of the carapace.

Sex was determined by physical characteristics, based mainly on carapace coloration. The males retain the juveniles' spheres whereas the females develop a blotchy pattern on the carapace.

Pair of binoculars (8 x 40) was used for the basking site analysis study along with the Secchi disk and thermometer.

This project was conducted under a TWRA Scientific Collection Permit No. 1384

Figure 1 Map of 20 Trapping Locations at Steele Creek Park Lake



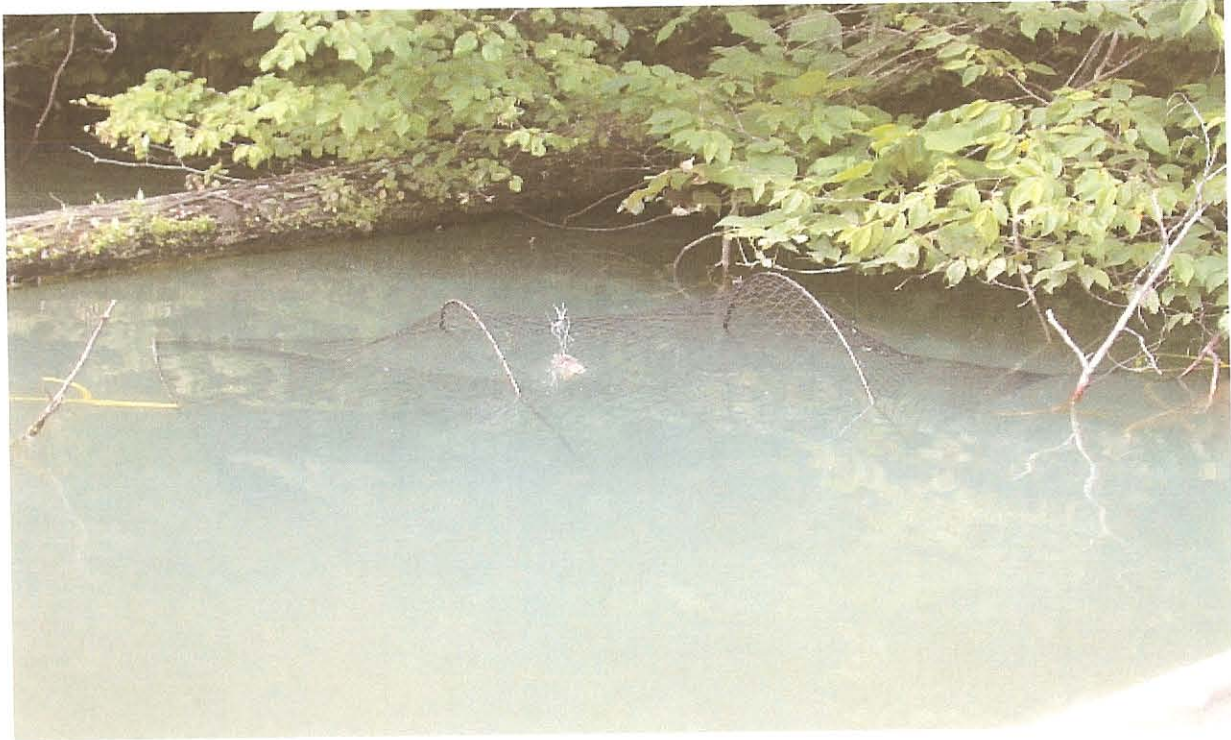
Yellow = basking site (10), Red = non-basking site (10)

Figure 2 Typical Basking Material

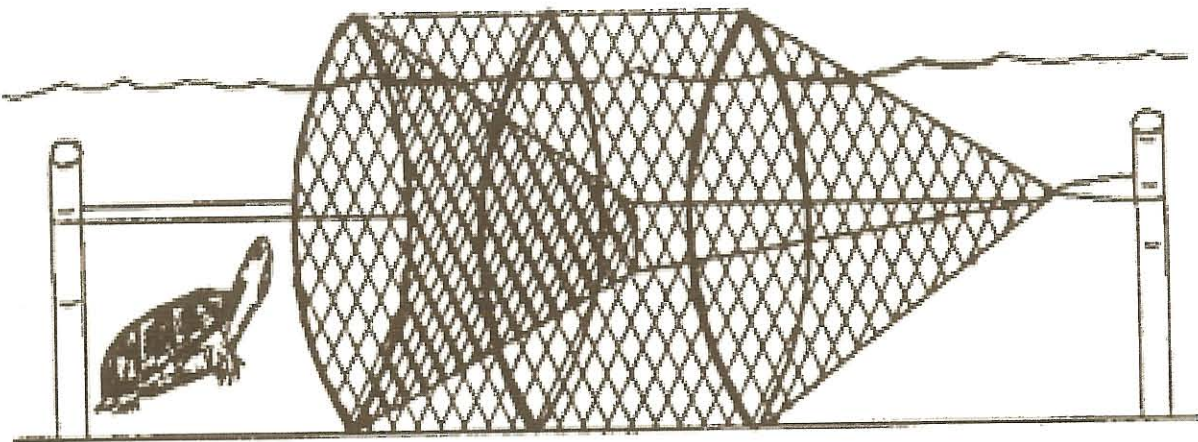


Note the angle of the log protruding from the water

Figure 3 **Finger-throated Hoop Trap**



Note bait in the center of the trap near the entrance



The trap must be set where the top of the trap is above the surface to provide oxygen

Figure 4 Turner South Cable Television Production



Author with Kip Grosenick, TV producer with Salt Run Productions of Atlanta, Ga. The program aired on the Turner South cable network program "Natural South " 21 August 2004.

RESULTS

The four "finger-throated" hoop traps were a successful trapping method for this capture and release study. Periodically, we would come across a hoop trap with damaged netting (i.e. torn holes in mesh) that would need repairing.

Seventeen softshell turtles were trapped, consisting of 11 females and six males. Four males were captured at basking and two at non-basking sites. Seven females were captured at basking and four at non-basking sites.

The average weight of the males and females was 391.7g for males and 2386.4g for females. The average size (maximum carapace length) of the males and females was 15.16cm for males and 29.091cm for females.

Time ranges for the six trapped males were: one between 1200 and 1300, two between 1500 and 1600, one between 1700 and 1800, one between 1800 and 1900, and one between 1900 and 2000. For eleven trapped females: three were between 1300 and 1400, two were between 1400 and 1500, one was between 1500 and 1600, four were between 1600 and 1700, and one was between 1800 and 1900. See Graph 1.

Time ranges of males at basking sites according to visual basking study were: three between 1100 and 1200, two between 1200 and 1300, one between 1300 and 1400, eight between 1400 and 1500, two between 1500 and 1600, and three between 1600 and 1700. For females: five were between 1000 and 1100, six were between 1100 and 1200, five were between 1200 and 1300, nine were between 1300 and 1400, two were between 1400 and 1500, one was between 1500 and 1600, and two were between 1600 and 1700. For juveniles: two were between

1200 and 1300, two were between 1300 and 1400, three were between 1400-1500, and seven were between 1700-1800. See Graph 4. According to Ernst, Lovich, and Barbour (1994) basking seldom begins before 1000hours in *A. spinifera*.

The weather conditions at time of capture for males were clear for 5 of the males and cloudy for the remaining 1 male. The weather was clear at the time of capture for 4 of the females, partly cloudy for 5 of the females, and cloudy for the remaining 2 females.

"Clear conditions" as mentioned above is known as having no cloud cover and full sunlight "Partly cloudy condition" is otherwise known as having little cloud cover. "Cloudy conditions" is known as having full cloud cover.

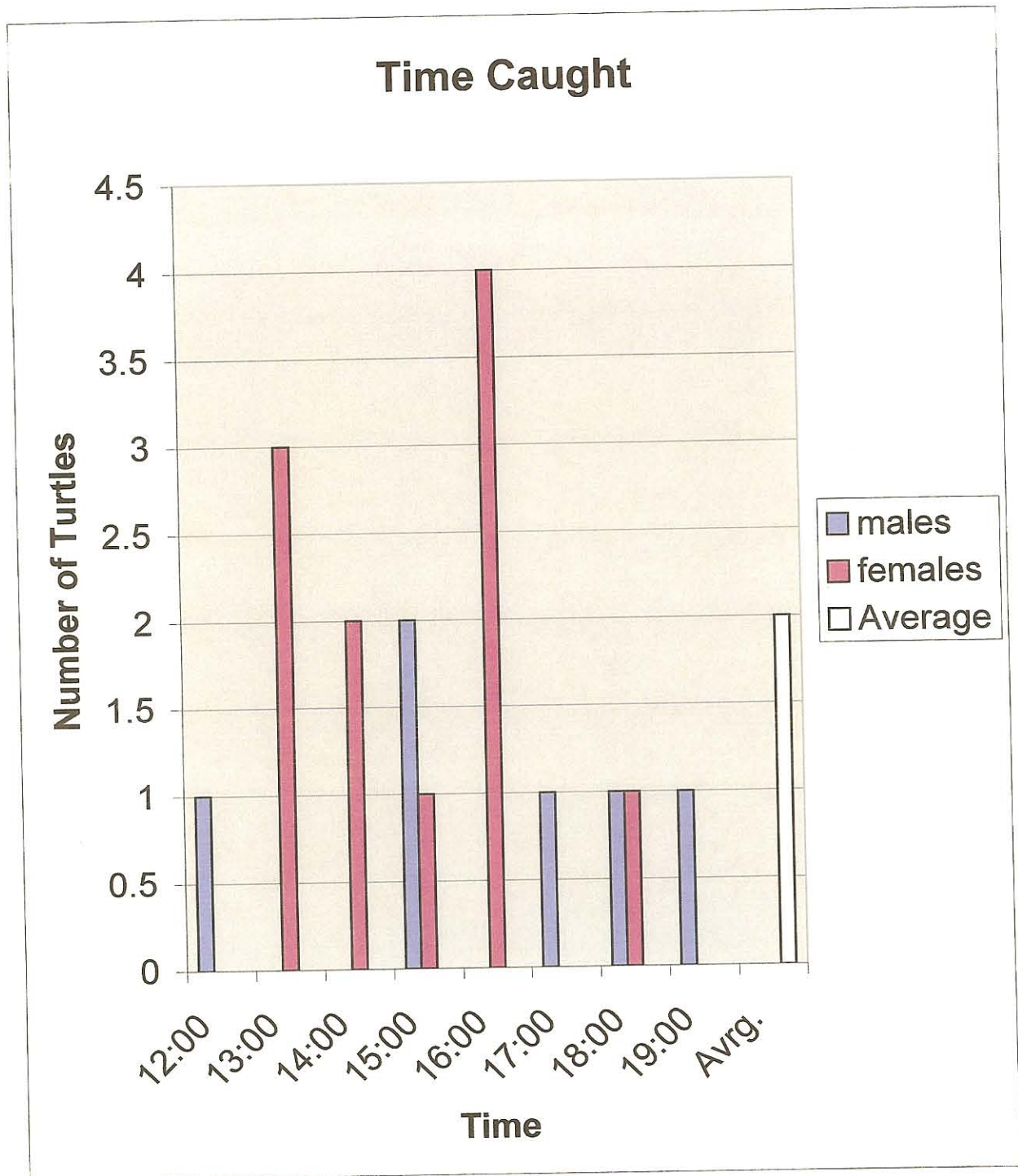
According to the basking site analysis conducted during the project, the most common basking material recorded was fallen logs or limbs propped against the bank. Other considered basking materials were rocky and sandy banks, floating vegetation and coconut logs (placed by park officials for erosion control).

Several other species of turtle were also captured during this project, and data was recorded on each individual. The following species were captured along with the Eastern Spiny Softshell Turtle (*Apalone s. spinifera*): Common Musk Turtle (*Sternotherus odoratus*), Red-eared Slider (*Trachemys scripta elagans*), Common Map Turtle (*Graptemys geographica*), Eastern Painted Turtle (*Chrysemys picta picta*), and Common Snapping Turtle (*Chelydra s. serpentina*). Other organisms caught in the traps were Blue Gill (*Lepomis macrochirus*) and Common Carp (*Cyprinus carpio*).

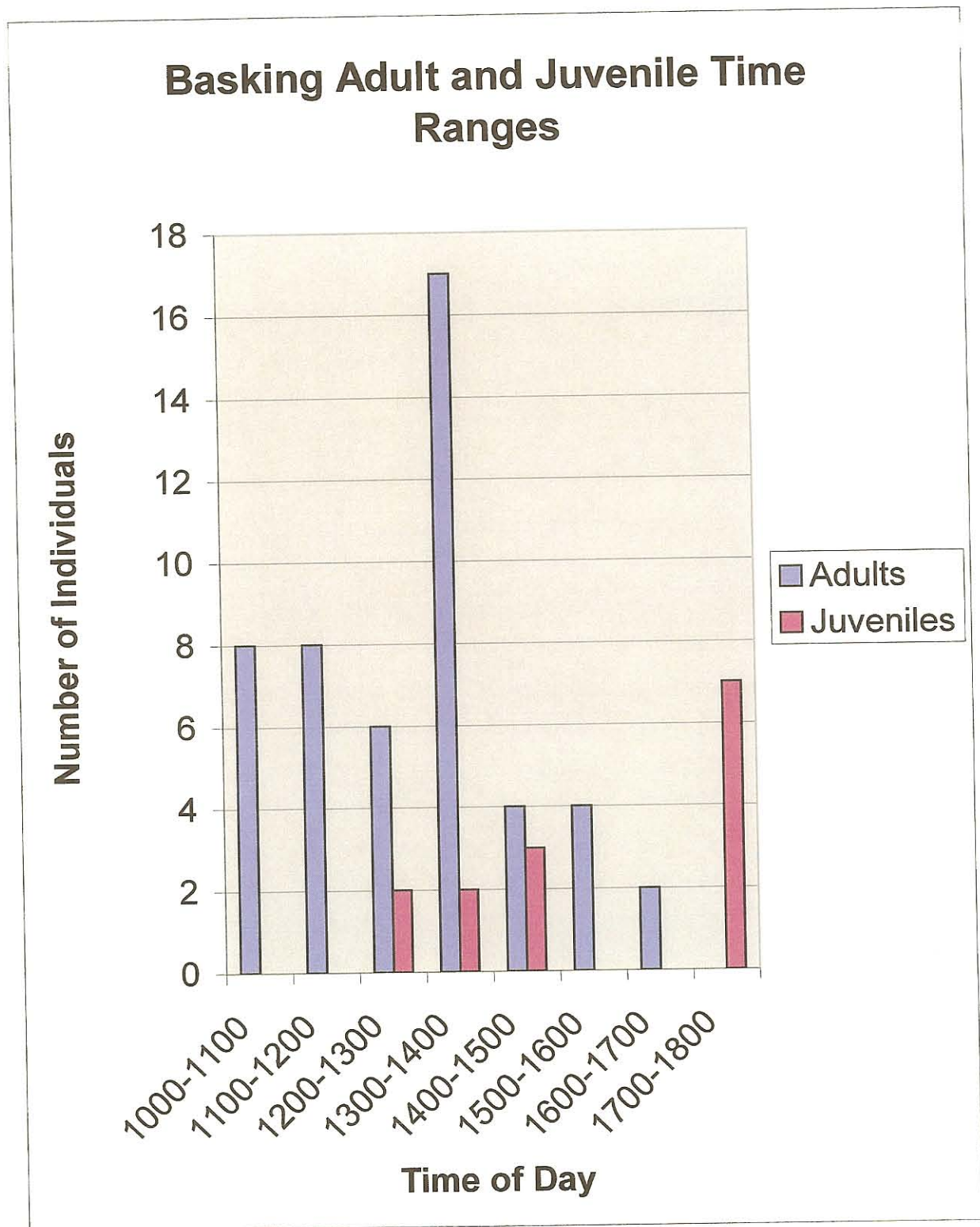
Leeches (*Hirudinea*) were found continuously on Common Snapping Turtles (*Chelydra s. serpentina*). This species of turtle spends the majority of its life under water (bottom-dweller)

and little time is spent basking (Ernst, Lovich, and Barbour 1994). According to Ryan and Lambert (2005) bottom-dwelling turtles have a higher ectoparasite load than turtles that bask aerially because of effects of desiccation on ectoparasites, especially with regard to leeches.

Graph 1



Graph 2



DISCUSSION

According to the data in the results, the number of females in the softshell population in Steele Creek Lake (41.2%) is much larger than the male's (23.5%) at basking locations (graph 1). Therefore the females dominate the basking sites verses the males. Thus, according to the data, the hypothesis that females would dominate males at these basking sites seems to be true.

Definition of "dominate" at basking sites according to this study: "of one or more female softshells at a basking vicinity that exerts a controlling influence on the environment and thereby largely determines when the smaller males are present". The larger females show aggression towards smaller males at the basking sites. According to Ernst, Lovich, and Barbour (1994), spiny softshells are pugnacious toward members of their own species; larger individuals tend to dominate in interactions with smaller ones in captivity, which involves a considerable amount of biting.

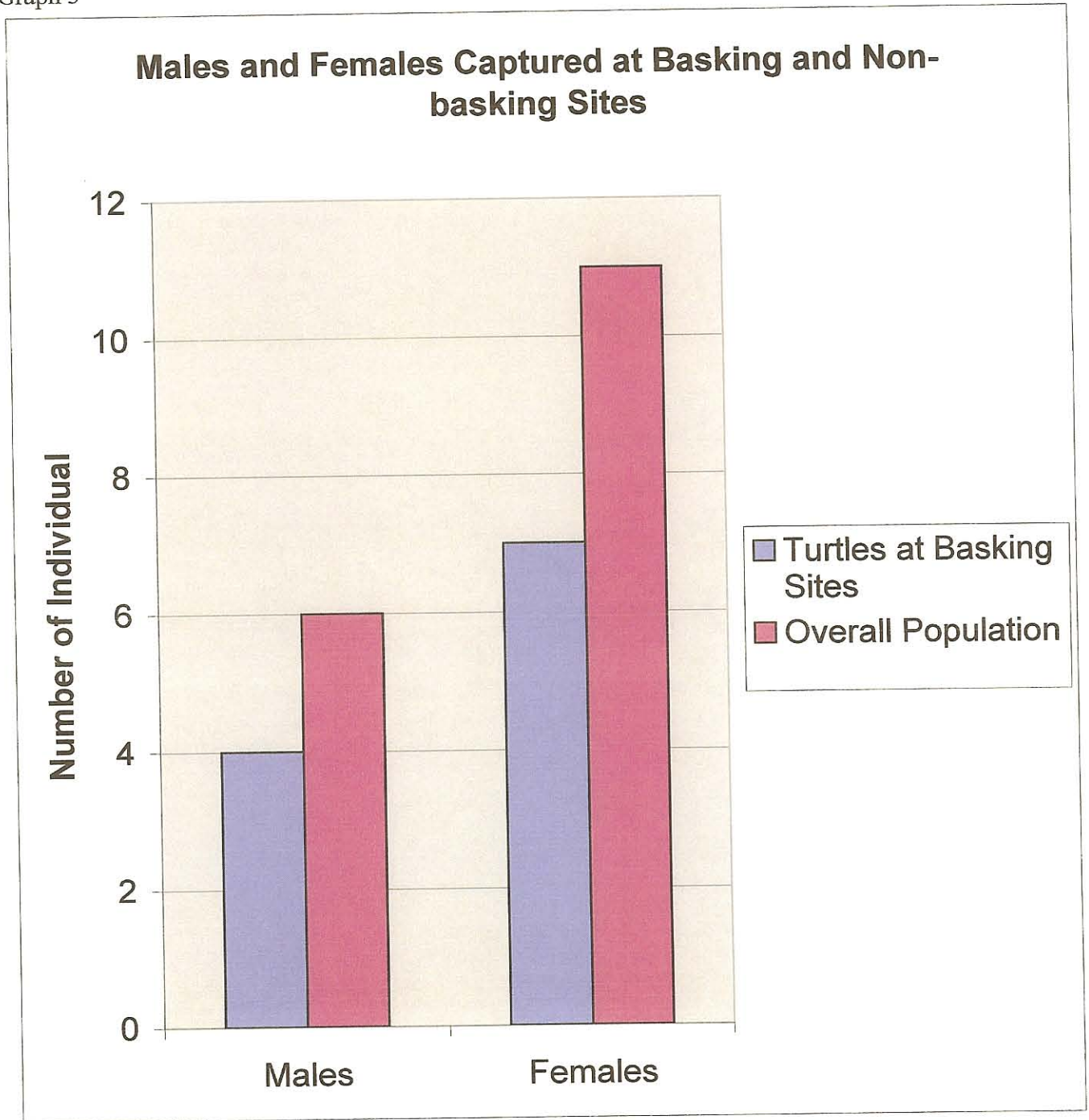
The time period for captured females was largest between 1600-1700 (36.4%). For males, the largest percentage (33%) is between 1500-1600 (graph 2). Therefore both male and female softshells could feed between 1500-1700.

The time periods for basking softshell females was largest (30%) between 1300-1400, for males the largest percentage (42%) was between 1400-1500 and for juveniles the largest basking percentage (50%) was between 1700-1800 (graph 3). This could mean that the adult softshells bask between 1300-1500 to obtain the largest amount of heat possible. And the juveniles are forced to bask between 1700-1800 because of adult domination.

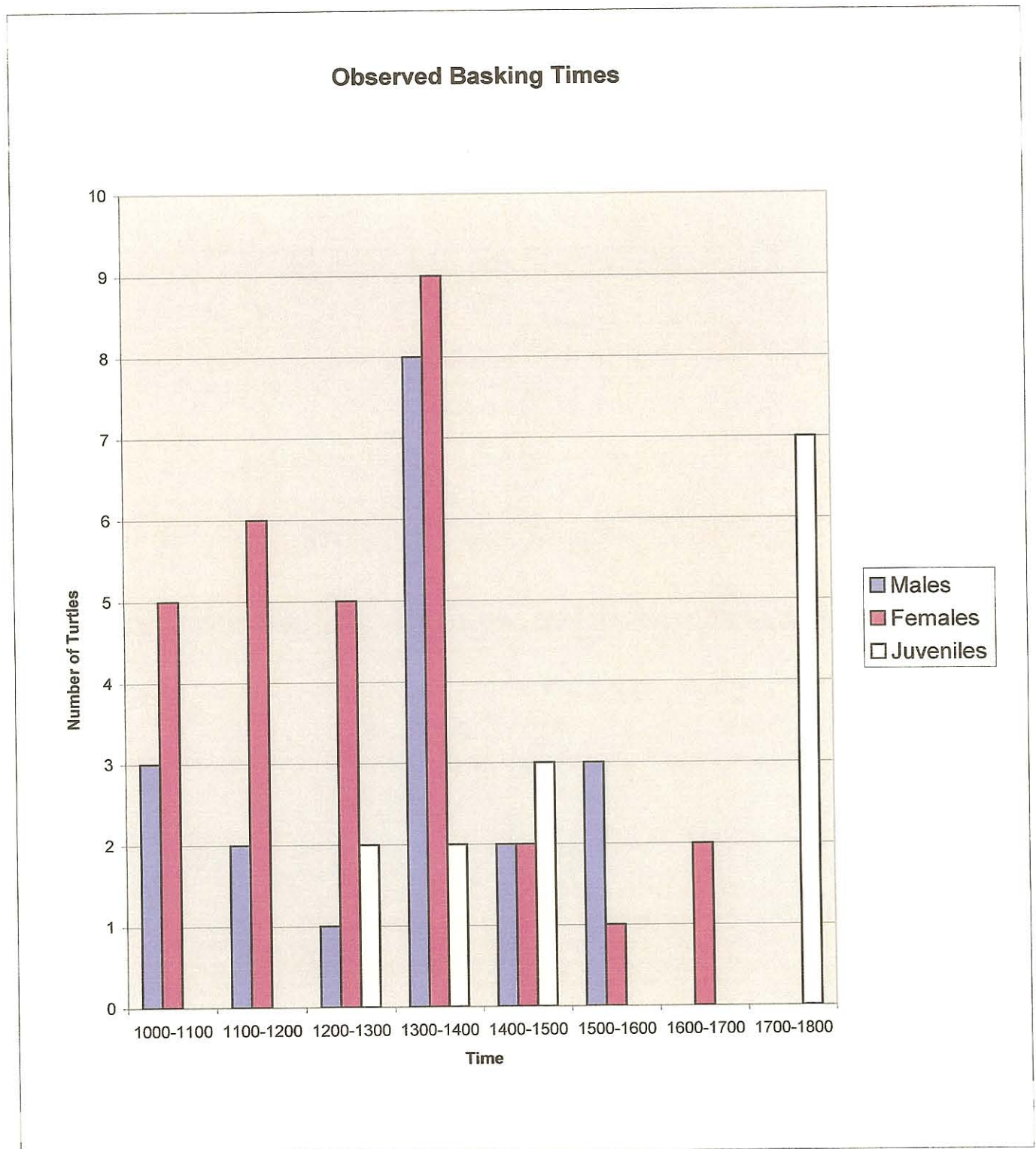
Thirty females and 19 males were observed basking during the visual basking study.

According to the data, 53% of softshells were caught in clear conditions, 29% with partly cloudy, and 18% with cloudy conditions. This must mean that the bulk of turtles caught were more active when clear weather conditions were present, the reason being, more heat from sunlight rays. Therefore they are more active in clear, basking conditions.

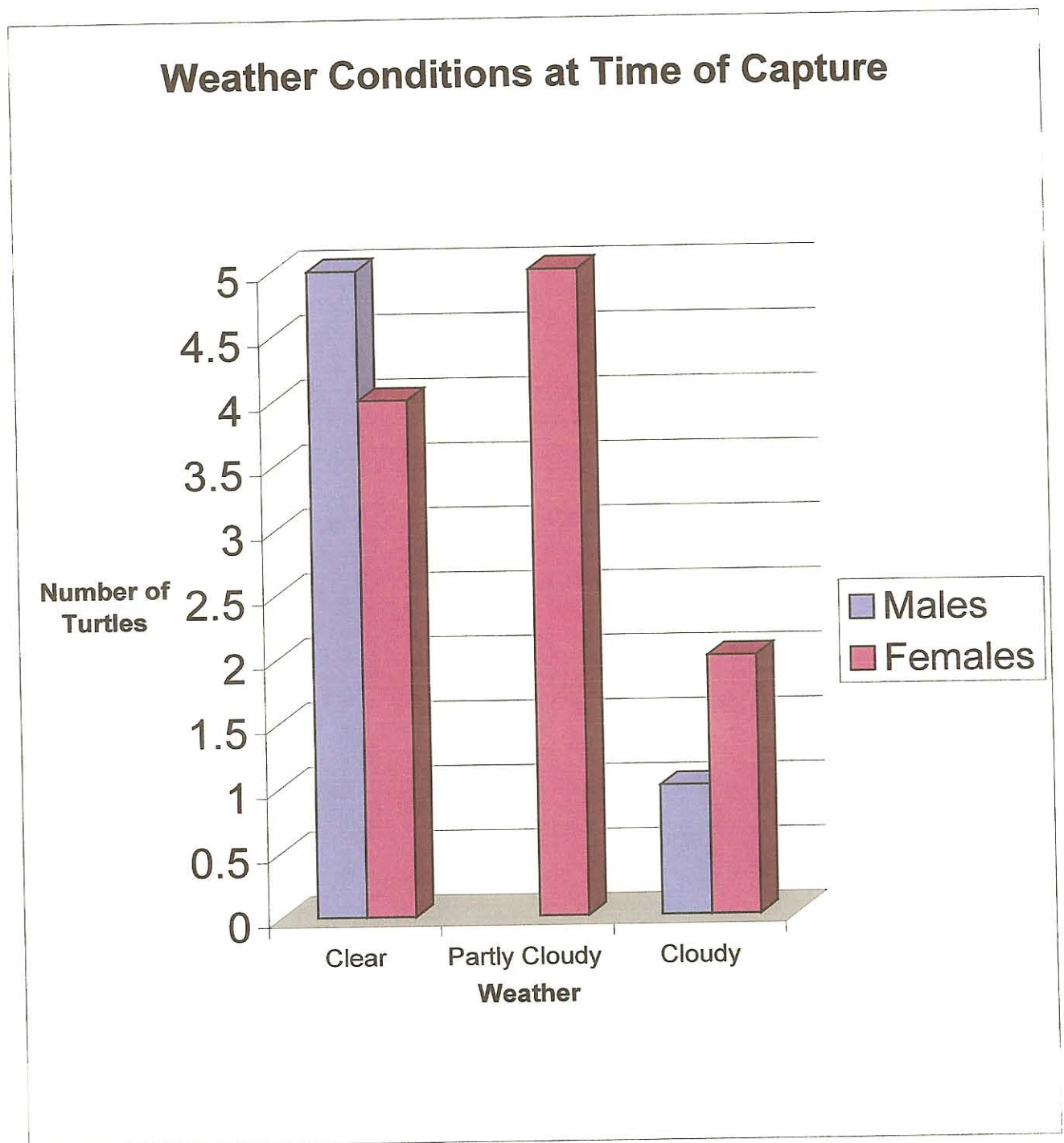
Graph 3



Graph 4



Graph 5



CONCLUSIONS

Throughout the study, it appears that the female Eastern Spiny Softshell Turtle does not have domination over the smaller males at basking locations in Steele Creek Park Reservoir in reference to the number of turtles according to a Chi-square analysis on the males verses the females captured at basking sites producing a Chi-square value of 0.81 and a probability value of 0.366; therefore, accepting the null hypothesis. A Chi-square test was also taken on males verses females observed at the basking sites producing a Chi-square value of 2.46 and a probability value of 0.116; accepting the null hypothesis as well. In reference to the males verses the females captured at the basking sites in reference to time, a Mann-Whitney test was taken producing a Whitney value of 59.5 and a probability value of 0.379; also accepting the null hypothesis.

It also appears that the adults have no domination over the juveniles at the basking sites in reference to numbers. A Chi-square test was taken on adults verses juveniles captured at the basking sites producing a Chi-square value of 3.139 and a probability value of 0.076; accepting the null hypothesis. On the other hand, a Mann-Whitney test was taken on adults verses juveniles observed at the basking sites in reference to time producing a Whitney value of 883.0 and a probability value of 0.0005, rejecting the null hypothesis; therefore, the juveniles basking later in the day verses the adults because of adult domination.

I learned that the softshells were caught primarily between the times of 1500 and 1700, which could be related to feeding. I also learned that the males and females bask between 1300 and 1500 to obtain the most heat for thermoregulation and the juveniles are forced to bask

between 1700 and 1800 because of adult domination. Future work could focus on interaction
between adults and juveniles.

Appendix A
Scientific Collection Permit



TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY

ELLINGTON AGRICULTURAL CENTER
P. O. BOX 40747
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37204

Scientific Collection Permits

Permit # 1384 Expiration Date 7/10/2005 Date of last annual
Permittee Kevin Hamed, Chris O'Bryan
Address P.O. Box 1189
City Bristol State TN Zip Code 37620-
Work #: (423) 989-5616
Organization Name
Steele Creek Park Nature Center

Species to Collect

NONE collected just measured, weighed and released: Eastern Spiny Softshell

Location	Collection Method	Disposition of Specimens
Steele Creek Park	dip nets, hoop traps, basking log traps	released at site

Summary of Need

To determine population size, age class distribution, nesting locations and other ecological and life history parameters of E. spiny softshell turtle in Steele Creek Park

Restrictions

Annual report of collections by permit expiration, including coordinates for all species collected. If not permitted and if caught, endangered, threatened, or in need of management species are to be immediately released. This permit is invalidated unless accompanied by all applicable federal permits. The appropriate TWRA Regional Office must be notified within one week prior to collection of species from the wild. Collection from TWRA Wildlife Management Areas requires coordination with Wildlife Management Area Manager. The following are the respective TWRA region offices:

1. Jackson: 1-800-372-3928 (Miss. R. & east thru Counties bordering East Side of KY Lake)
2. Nashville: 1-800-624-7406 (Reg 1 border east thru Macon Co. & South thru Franklin Co.)
3. Crossville: 1-800-262-6704 (Reg 2 border east thru Scott & S. thru Polk Co.)
4. Talbot: 1-800-332-0900 (Reg 3 border east to NC State line)

Approval Gary T. Myers Date 7/10/2003
Gary T. Myers, Executive Director
Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency

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Appendix B
Pictures of Turtles

Eastern Spiny Softshell Turtle



Note the deformed lower jaw

The Author Releasing a Specimen (below)



Red-eared Slider Being Marked



Eastern Painted Turtle (below)



Common Snapping Turtle



Note the leech on the vertebral scute of the carapace.

Common Musk Turtle (below)



Note the large amount of algae on the carapace, a typical characteristic of bottom-dwellers

Appendix C
Basking Survey Sheets

Date: 5/6/04 Time found: 10:30 Temp: 89.6°F H2O Temp: 63.5°F Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Murky / 50% Clear
Depth of area: 9.5 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 12.9 yds.
Location turtle was found (map): Right ~~across~~ Snow Deep Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓.

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? ~~26.5 cm~~ 13 in

Other species present & #: No one

1
13
26
5

Date: 5/6/09 Time found: 16:50 Temp: 85°F H₂O Temp: 63.5°F Weather: Clear, Sunny.
Water Condition: Murky
Depth of area: 2 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1 1/4 yds.
Location turtle was found (map): 1900 ft to Paw Paw Branch Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% ✓ 75% 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14.4.

Other species present & #: None

Date: 5/6/07 Time found: 11:15 Temp: 85°F H2O Temp: 63.4°F Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Murky
Depth of area: 2 3/4 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1 3/4 yds.
Location turtle was found (map): Pan Paw Branch Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____.
Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____
Was the sun shining on this spot? _____. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% ☒ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 11 in.

Other species present & #: None

Date: 5/6/84 Time found: 11:30 Temp: 85°F H2O Temp: 63.9°F Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: murky
Depth of area: 2.8 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 yds.
Location turtle was found (map): 300m to deep cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): y; was it floating? n,
was it on the bank? y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation?
Was the sun shining on this spot? y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12 in.

Other species present & #: None

Date: 5/6/04 Time found: 11:55 Temp: 85°F H2O Temp: 63°F Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Marky
Depth of area: 3 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1 yds.
Location turtle was found (map): White Oak Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 13 in.

Other species present & #: two ~~Marky~~ Eastern Painted Turtles.

Date: 5/6/09 Time found: 12:46 Temp: 95°F H2O Temp: 66°F Weather: Clear Sunny
Water Condition: murky

Depth of area: 2 1/4 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 yds.

Location turtle was found (map): Farthest Cave that is lateral to R.P. branch

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .

Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .

Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% ✓ 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 in.

Other species present & #: 1 Red-eared Slider

Date: 5/6/04 Time found: 1:11 Temp: 85°F H2O Temp: 65°F Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: murky

Depth of area: 14 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: yds.

Location turtle was found (map): Bank by golf course

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): ; was it floating? ,
was it on the bank? . On bank What type of bank material? rock: ✓, gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain:

Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation?

Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? female

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 in.

Other species present & #: no other Soft Shell

Date: 7/2/04 Time found: 12:54 Temp: B 78.2 M X S 79.4 ^{air} H₂O Temp: 97.4

Weather: Clear/Sunny 5% Cloud COVER

Water Condition: Apparently normal.

Depth of area: 1.25 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.25 M.

Location turtle was found (map): part of dam / beginning of paupaw.

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? Y

was it on the bank? Y/n. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,

sand , other: N; explain:

Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation?

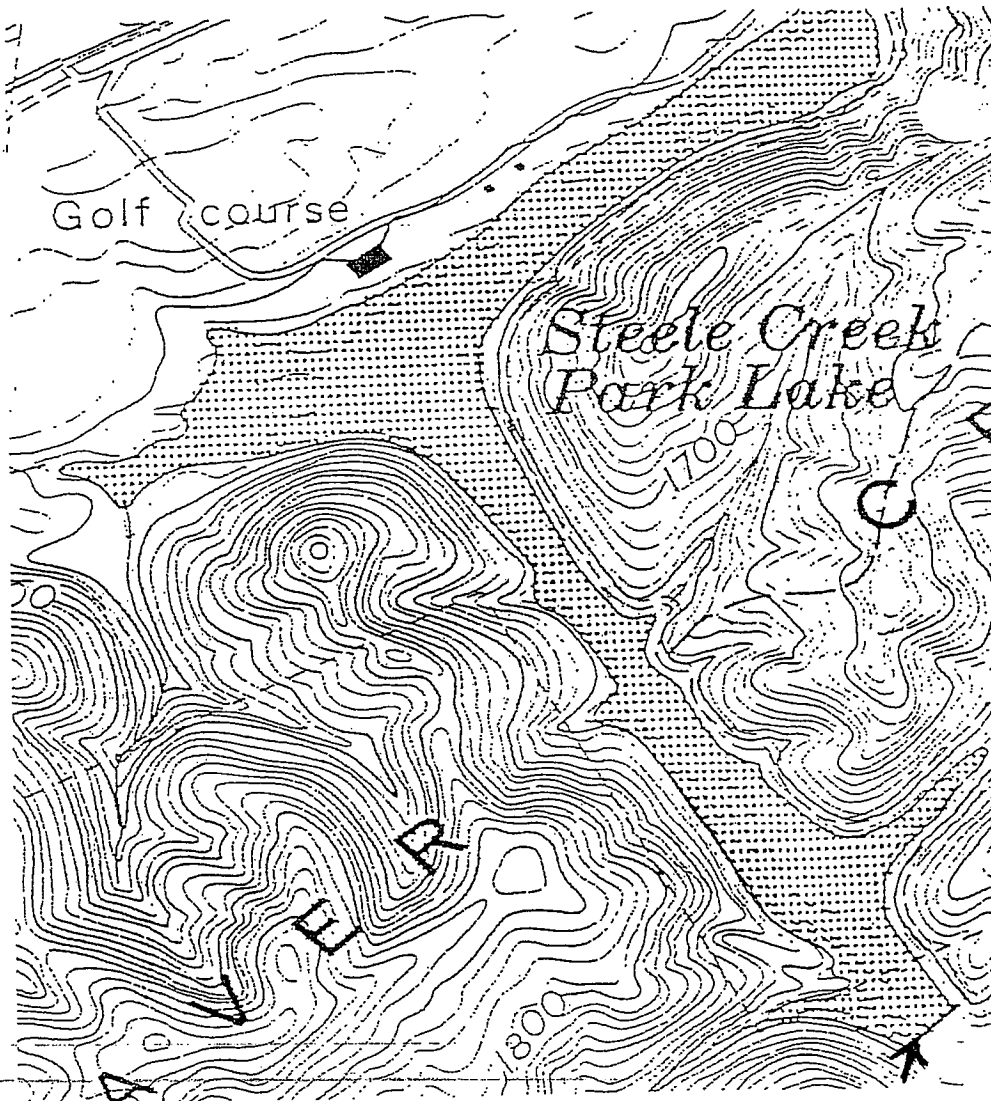
Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% ✓ 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 11 in

Other species present and number: None



Date: 2/21/69 Time found: 13:15 Temp: B 75.1 M X S 77.9 ^{air} ~~120~~ Temp: 99.2

Weather: Clear

Water Condition: Apparently normal / little darker than normal.

Depth of area: 1.25 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.25 M.

Location turtle was found (map): deep cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Yes; was it floating? NO,
was it on the bank? Yes. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand: _____; other: _____; explain: _____.

Floating vegetation: NO what type of vegetation? _____.

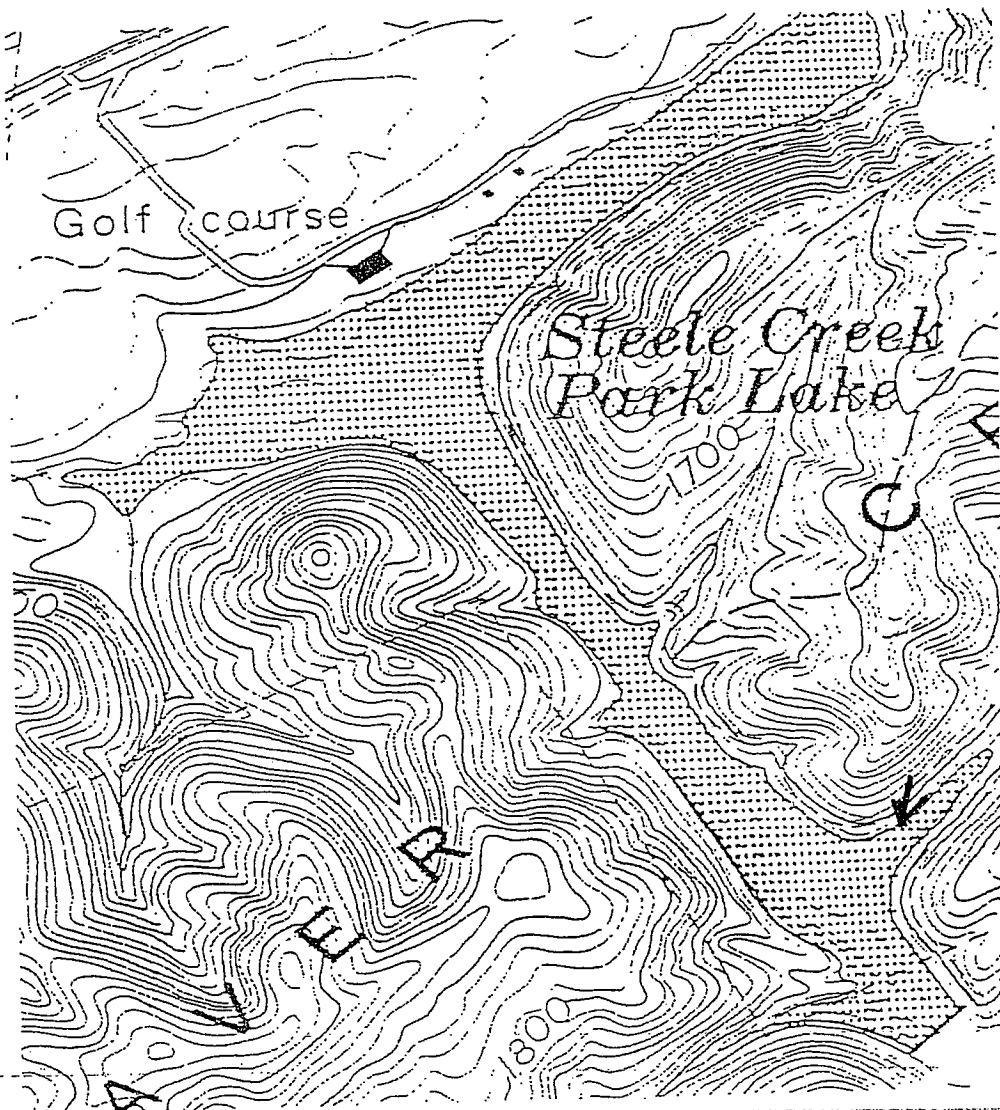
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% ✓ 100% _____.

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 in.

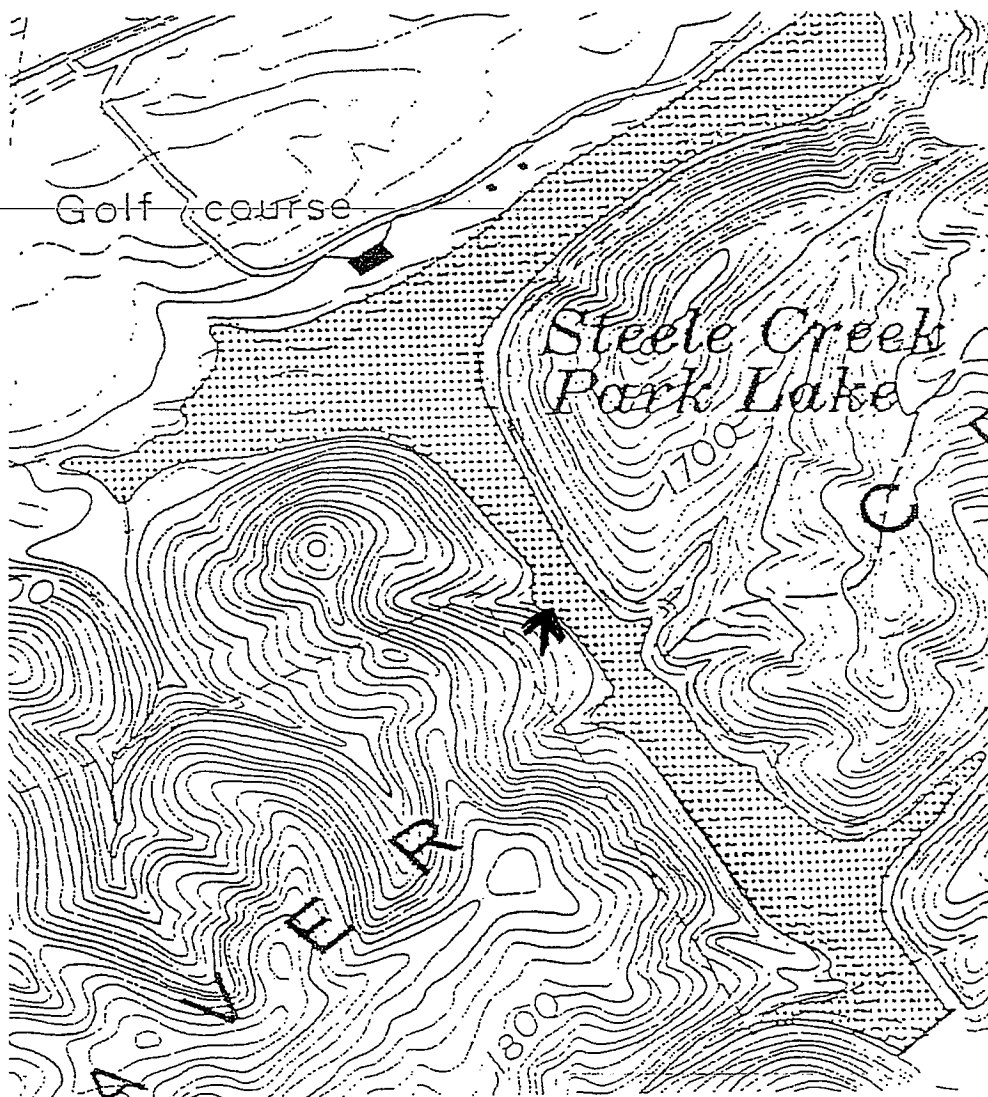
Other species present and number: None Seen



Date: 7/21/69 Time found: 13:50 Temp: B 80.1 M X S 80.1 ^{air} H₂O Temp: 96.7
Weather: Clear/Sunny. 5% Cloud cover
Water Condition: Apparently darker/murkier than normal
Depth of area: 4 in Secchi disk reading of area: X M. - too shallow for reading.
Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): No; was it floating? ,
was it on the bank? . On bank What type of bank material? rock: yes, gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 10 in.
Other species present and number: None present with individual.



Date: 7/21/69 Time found: 14.00 Temp: B 80.1 M X S 80.1 ^{air} ~~80.1~~ ²⁰ ~~20~~ Temp: 102.4

Weather: Clear / Sunny. 59% Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently darker than normal

Depth of area: 16 ft ~~X~~. Secchi disk reading of area: X M. - too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): No; was it floating? ,
was it on the bank? . On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain:

Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation?

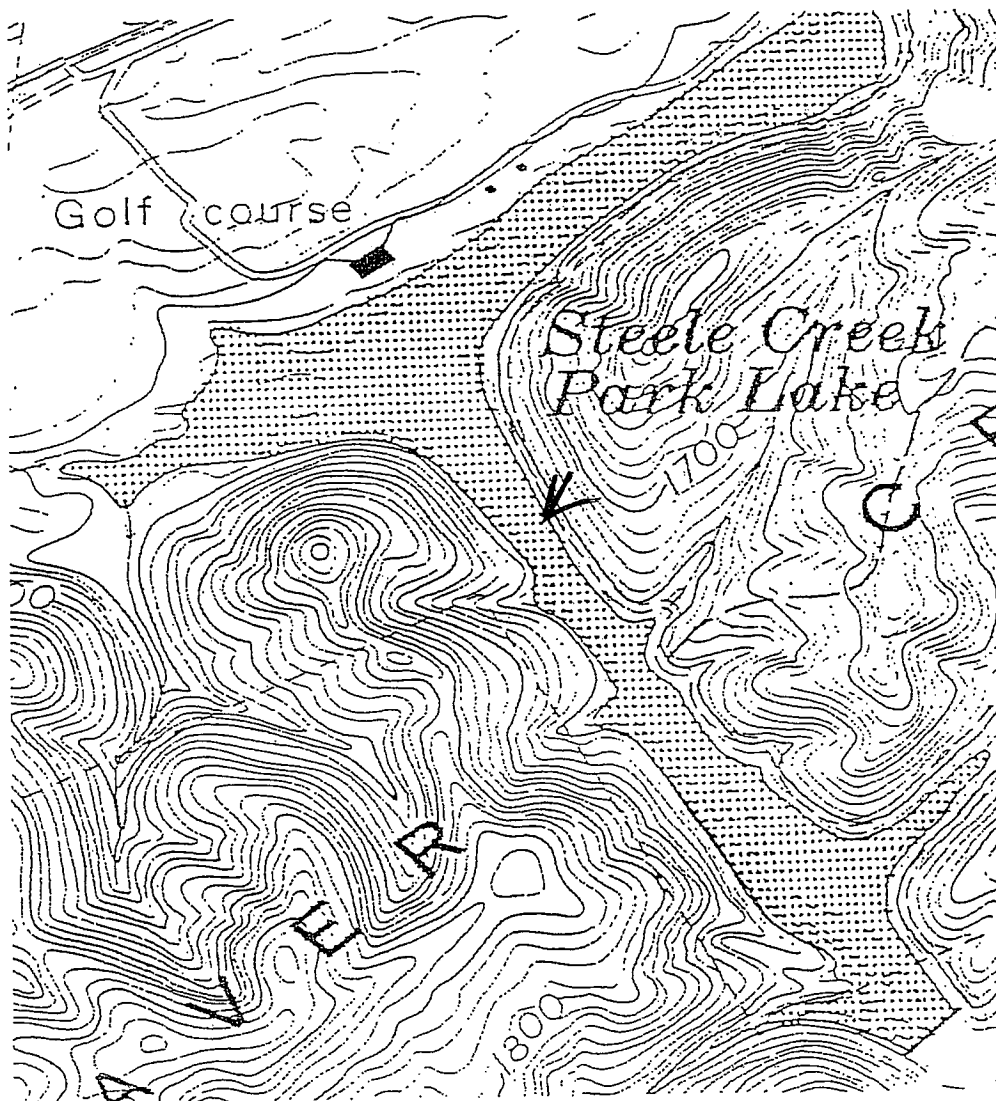
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Juv/adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 6-7 in.

Other species present and number: 2 Softshells basking 2 Great Green on rocks



Date: 7/26/64 Time found: 12:50 Temp: B 71.8 M X S 80.1 ^{air} H₂O Temp: 81.5

Weather: Cloudy / Sunny

Water Condition: Apparently normal

Depth of area: 2 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 M.

Location turtle was found (map): Trape location #11

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Yes; was it floating? No,
was it on the bank? Yes. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: No; explain:

Floating vegetation: No what type of vegetation?

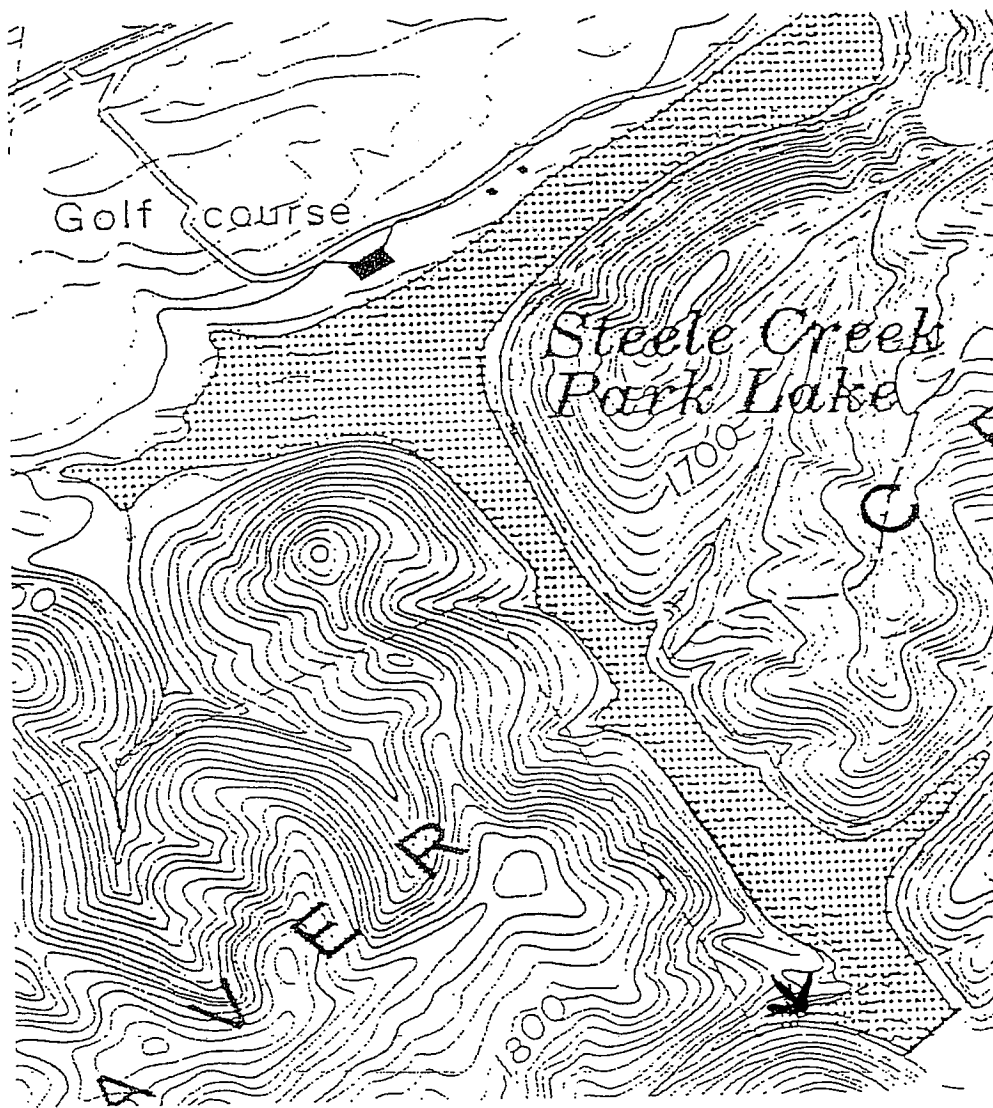
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% ✓ 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 13 in

Other species present and number: None on log with individual



Date: 8/4/04 Time found: 14:50 Temp: B 89.6 M X S 89.8 ^{air} H2O Temp: 86.6

Weather: Clear/Sunny 5% Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently normal

Depth of area: 1ft M. Secchi disk reading of area: X M. - too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): No; was it floating? _____, was it on the bank? _____. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: _____, sand _____, other: NO; explain: _____

Floating vegetation: NO what type of vegetation? _____

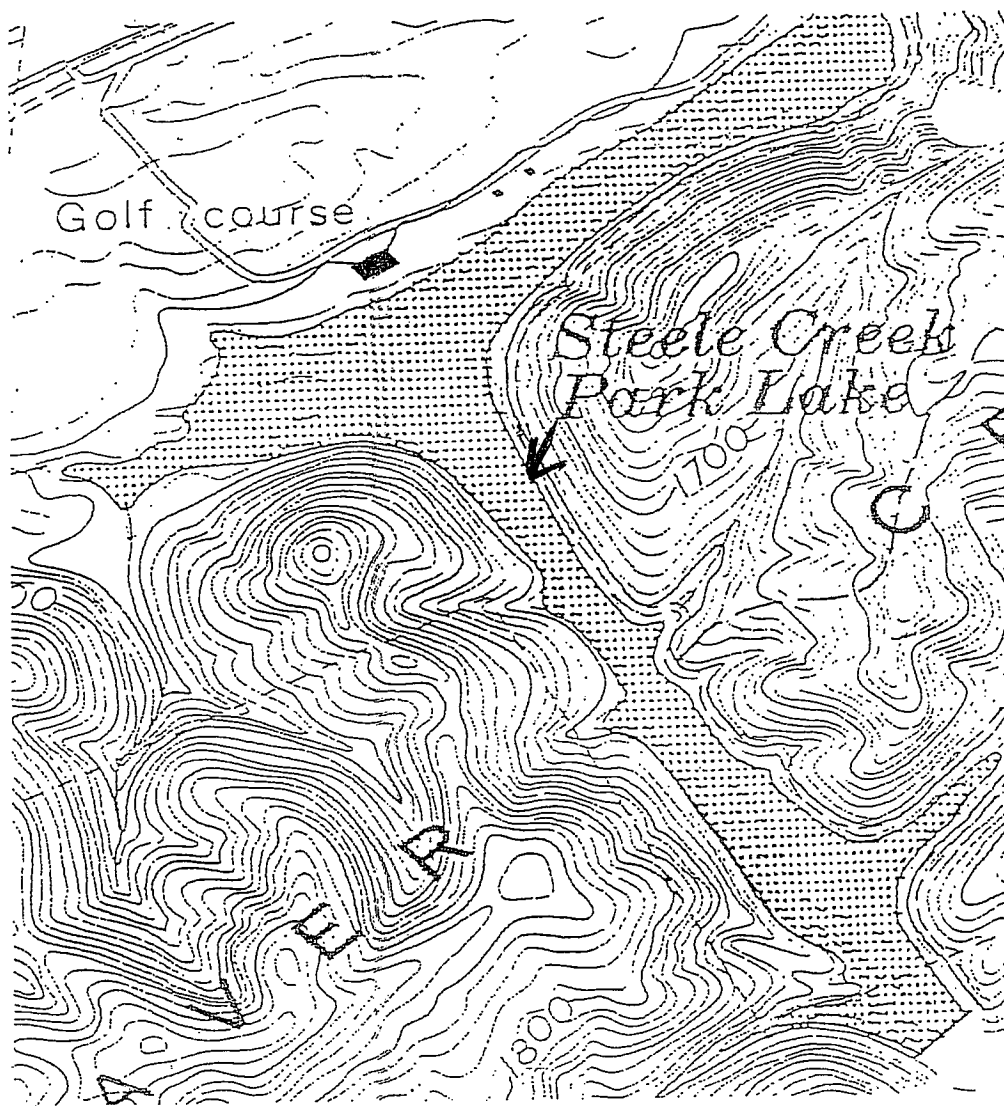
Was the sun shining on this spot? _____. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂?

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 4.9

Other species present and number: None



Date: 8/10/64 Time found: 953 Temp: B 71.7 M X S 72.9 H 20 ^{air} Temp: 77.2

Weather: 100% Clear Sunny. No Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently Normal Condition

Depth of area: 1.75 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.25 M.

Location turtle was found (map): Beginning of Section 2 of 1942.

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Yes; was it floating? No,
was it on the bank? Yes. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain:

Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation?

Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

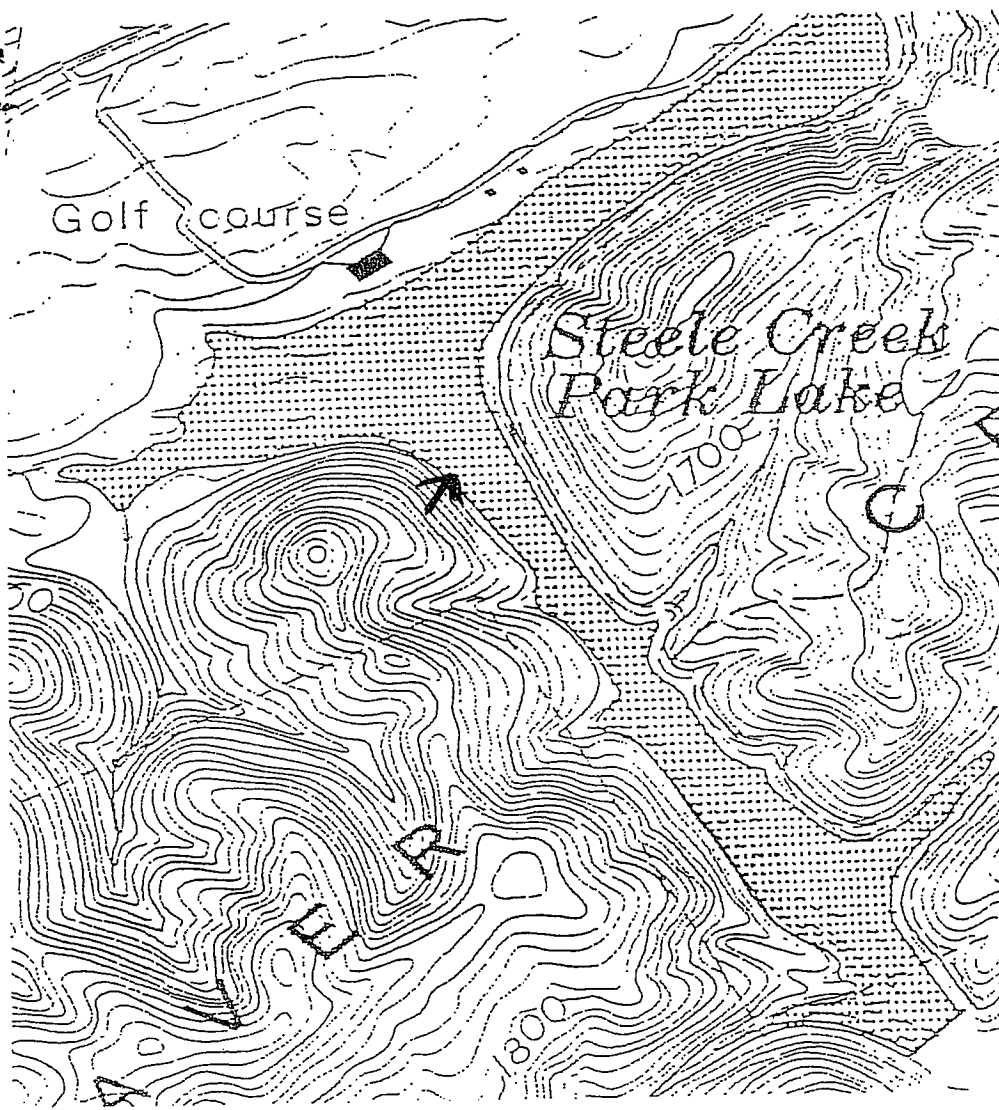
Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 15th

Other species present and number: None

little very large
overhead disjunct
to tree.



Date: 8/10/04 Time found: 1411 Temp: B 75.8 M X S 77.9 ^{air} H₂O Temp: 91.6

Weather: Clear Sunny - 5% Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently normal condition

Depth of area: 1st M. Secchi disk reading of area: X M. - too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

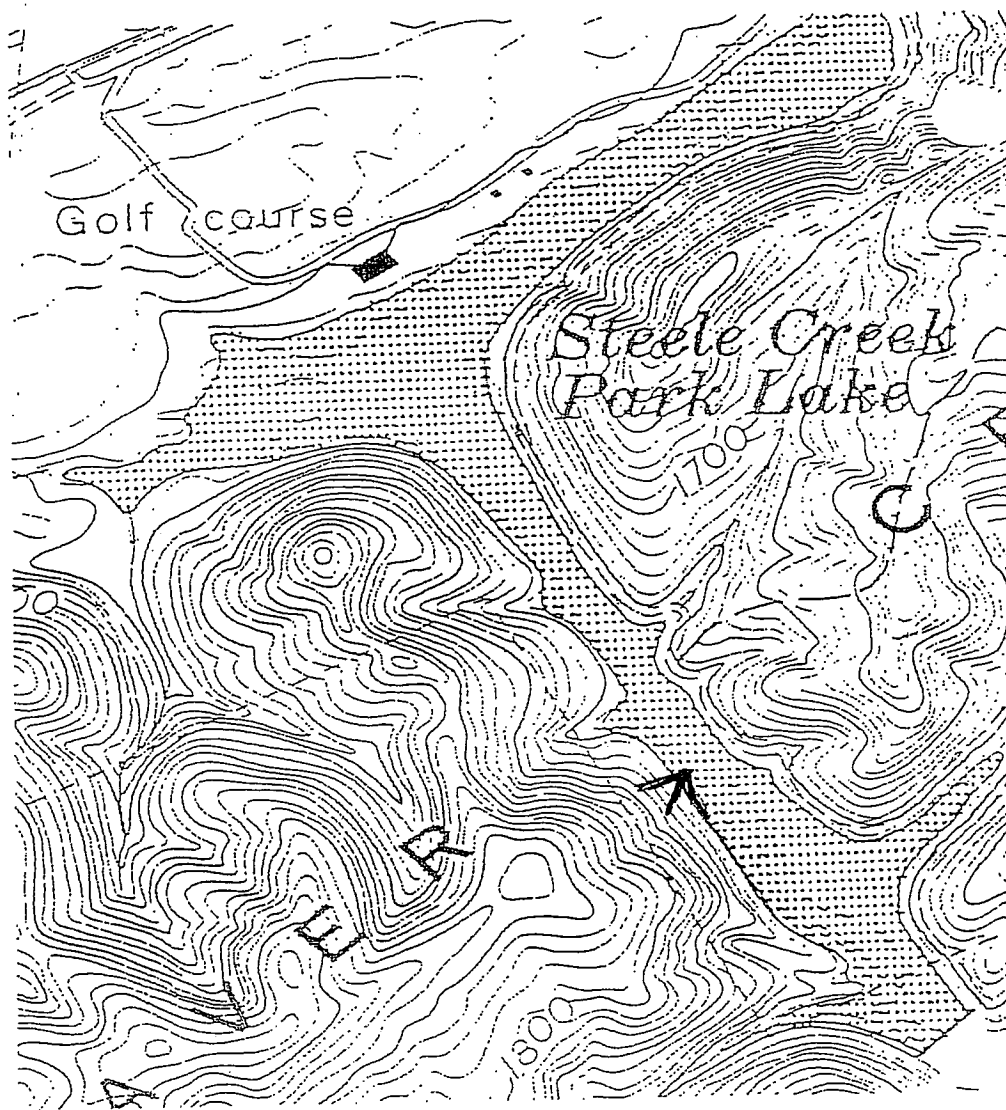
Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): _____; was it floating? _____, was it on the bank? _____. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: _____, sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____
Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% ✓ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 5.5-6 in

Other species present and number: None



Date: 8/18/89 Time found: 1640 Temp: B 78.7 M X S 78.5 ^{air} ~~52.0~~ Temp: 90

Weather: Clear / Sunny 5% Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently Normal

Depth of area: 6 in M. Secchi disk reading of area: X M. too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): _____; was it floating? _____, was it on the bank? _____. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: _____, sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____.

Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____

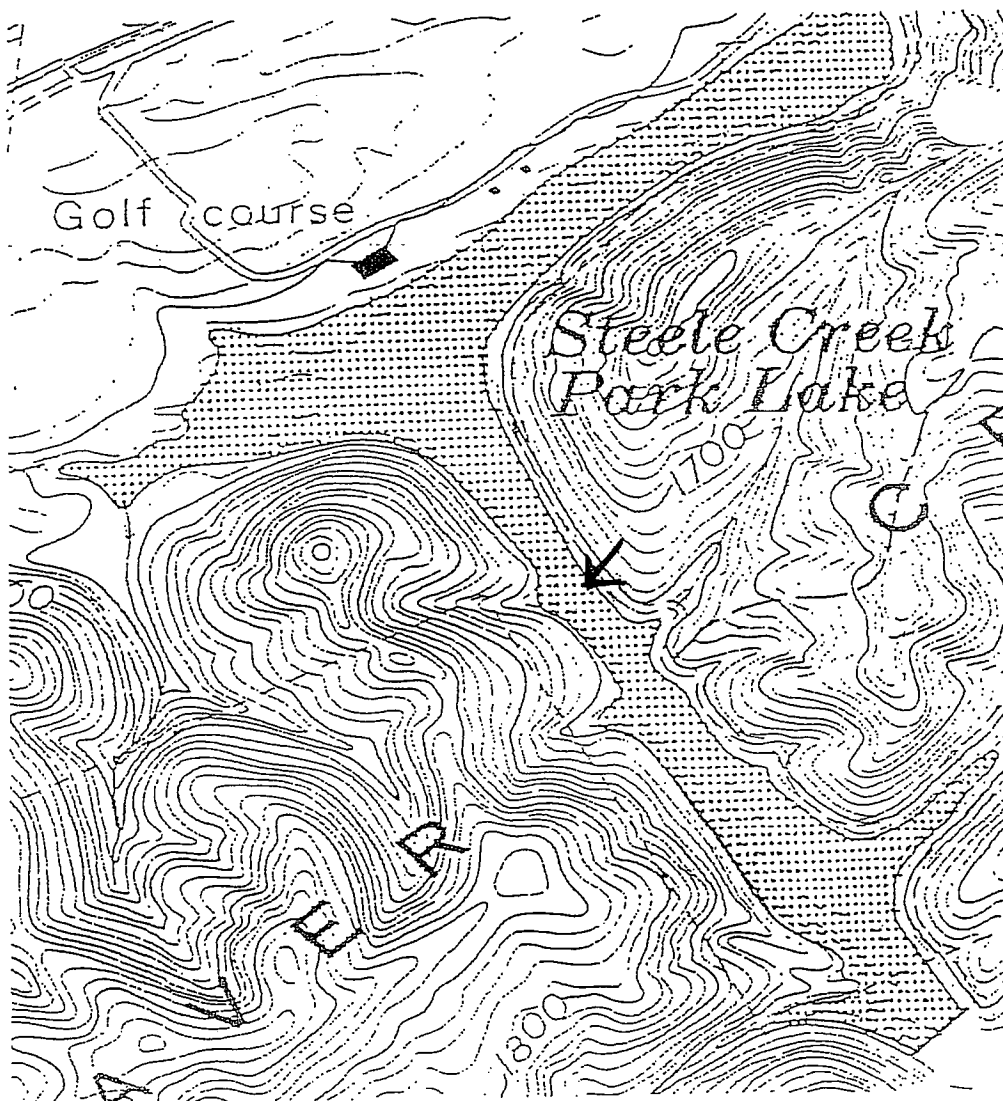
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 10 in

Other species present and number: None



Date: 6/10/89 Time found: 16:40 Temp: B 78.7 M X S 78.5 ^{air} ~~SD~~ Temp: 90

Weather: Clear / Sunny. 5% Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently normal?

Depth of area: 6.14 M. Secchi disk reading of area: X M. too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Yes ^{branch}; was it floating? Yes,
was it on the bank? No. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain:

Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation?

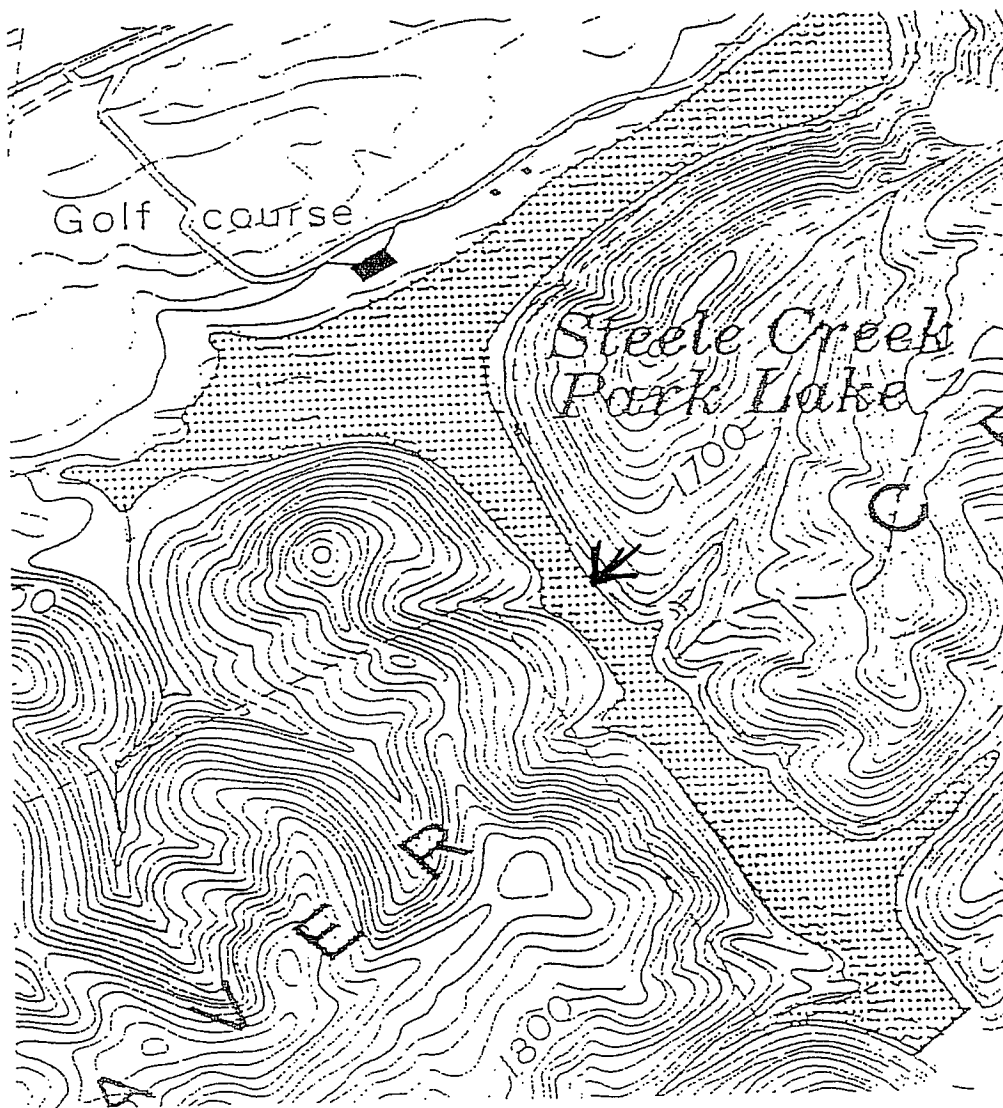
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 6.14

Other species present and number: None



Date: 8/10/04 Time found: 16:40 Temp: B 77.6 M X S 78.7 ^{air} ~~18.0~~ Temp: 89.1

Weather: Clear/sunny 5% Cloud cover

Water Condition: Apparently Normal

Depth of area: 7 in M. Secchi disk reading of area: — M. too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): -Map-

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): —; was it floating? —,
was it on the bank? —. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: —,
sand —, other: —; explain: —

Floating vegetation: — what type of vegetation? —

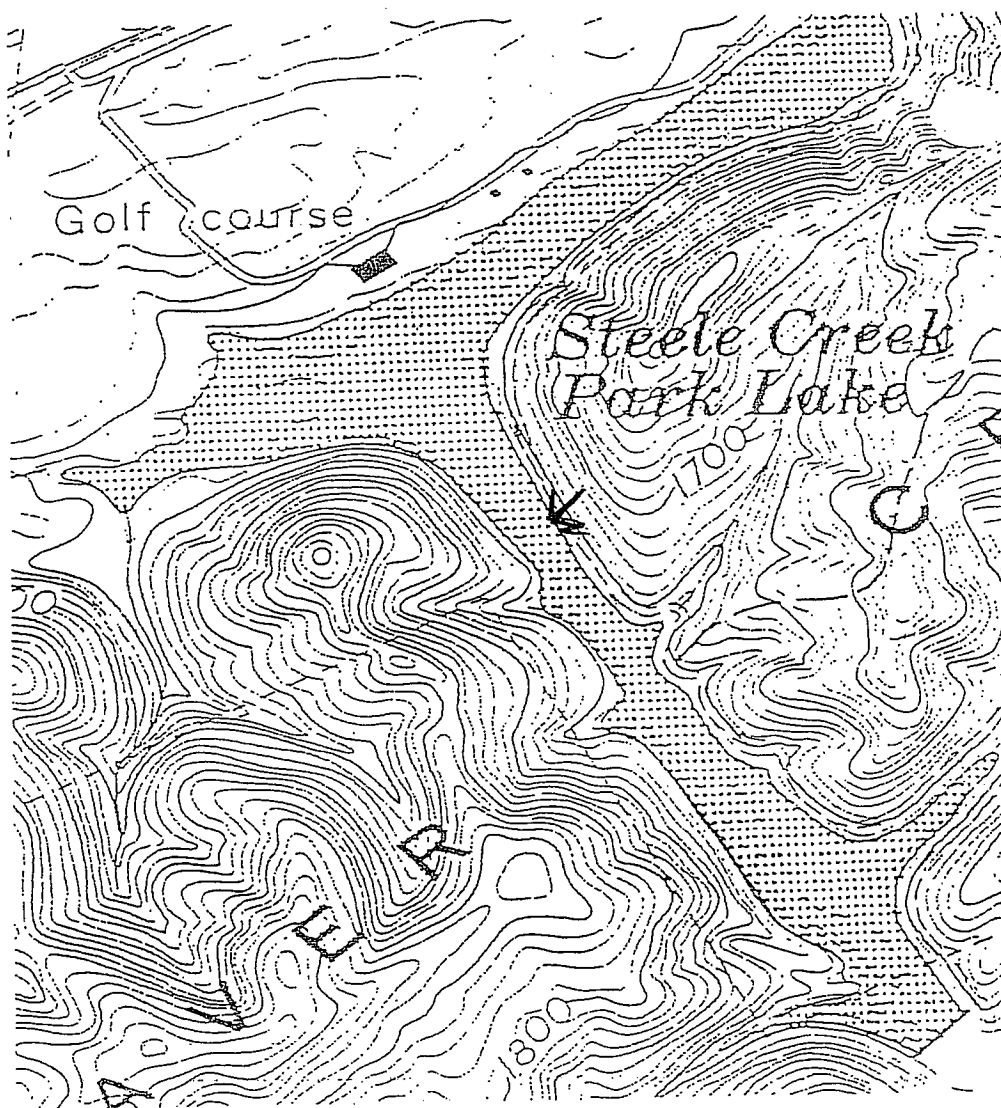
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% — 25% — 50% — 75% — 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 11 in

Other species present and number: one ♂ Softshell on same rock



Date: 8/10/09 Time found: 1640 Temp: B 77.6 M X S 78.7 ^{air} ~~120~~ Temp: 89.1

Weather: Clear Sunny. S 90 Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently normal

Depth of area: 7 in Secchi disk reading of area: - M. 100 S 49 100m

Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): -; was it floating? -,
was it on the bank? -. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: -,
sand -, other: -; explain: -

Floating vegetation: - what type of vegetation? -

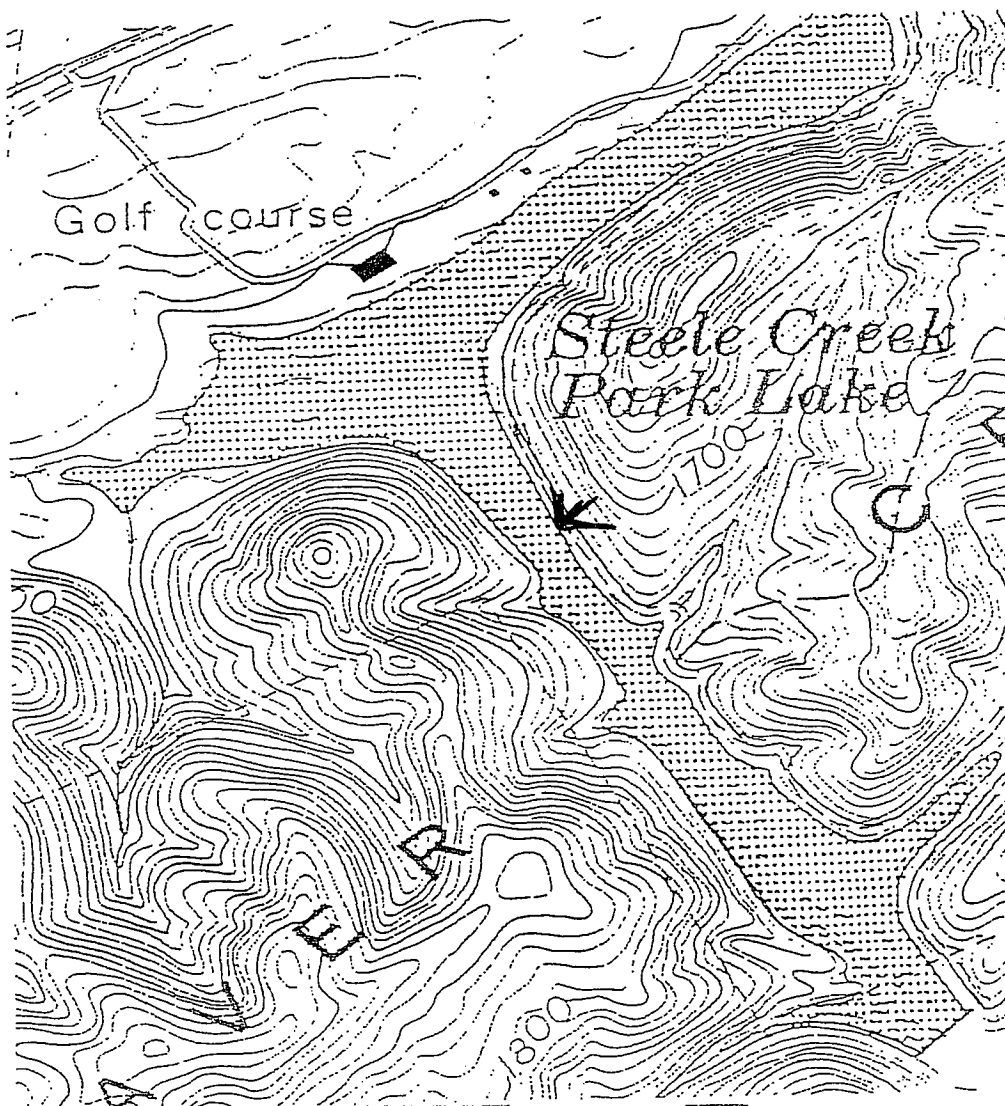
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% - 25% - 50% - 75% - 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 7 in

Other species present and number: one ♀ Softshell



Date: 9/6/04 Time found: 1607 Temp: B 75.4 M X S 76.5 ~~76.5~~ ^{air} Temp: 82.6

Weather: Partly Cloudy

Water Condition: Apparently Normal

Depth of area: 1.5 M. Secchi disk reading of area: - M. too shallow

Location turtle was found (map): Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): -; was it floating? -,
was it on the bank? -. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: -,
sand -, other: -; explain: -

Floating vegetation: No what type of vegetation? -

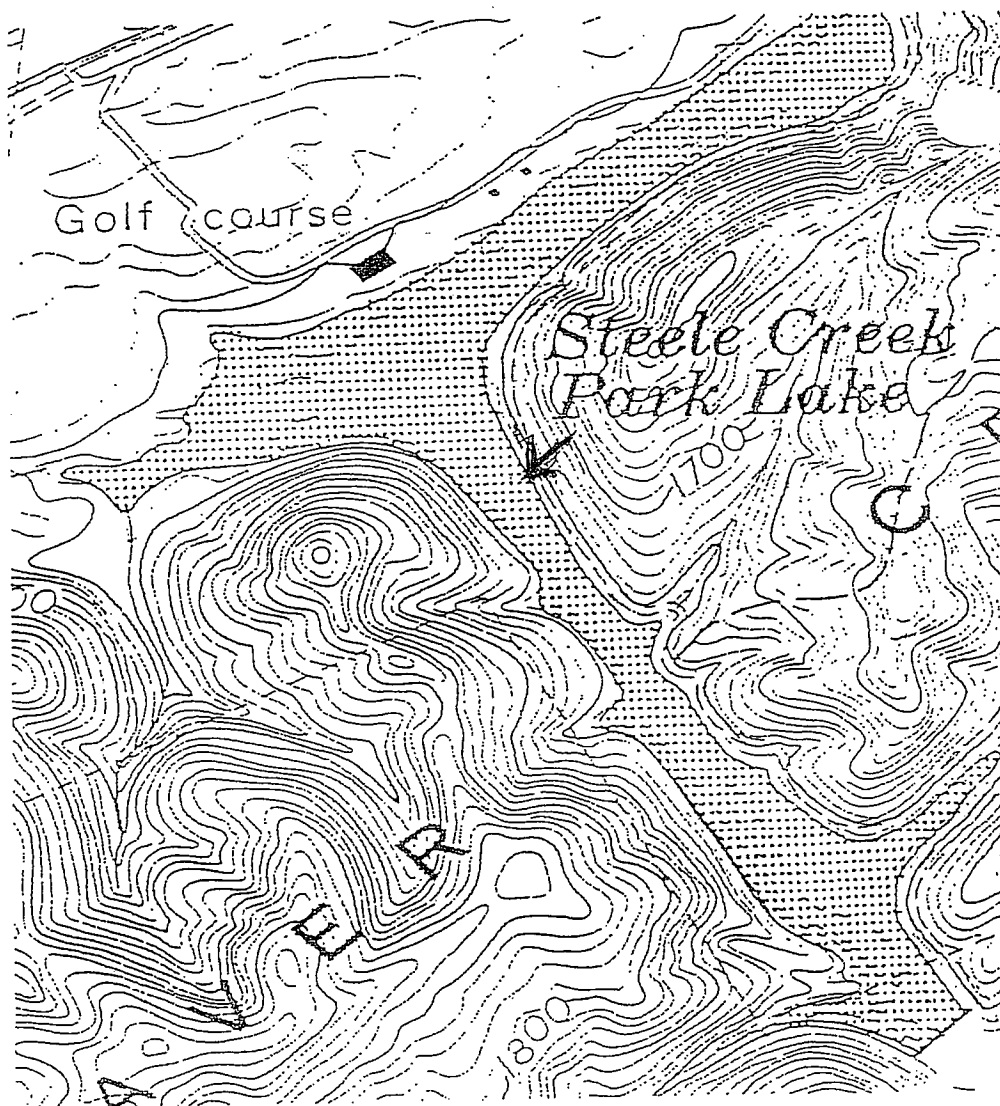
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes How much? 0% - 25% - 50% - 75% - 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Juv.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 7 in

Other species present and number: None



Date: 5/6/07 Time found: 1:11 Temp: 85° H2O Temp: 65° Weather: Clear, Sunny

Water Condition: Mark

Depth of area: 14 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: yds.

Location turtle was found (map): Golf Course

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): ; was it floating? ,
was it on the bank? . On bank What type of bank material? rock: ✓, gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .

Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation?

Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? Female

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12 in.

Other species present & #: 1 Softshell

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Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/16/09 Time found: 2:30 Temp: 85°F H2O Temp: 65.7°F Weather: Clear, Sunny

Water Condition: Marky

Depth of area: 2 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1 M.

Location turtle was found (map): To the left of Deep Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N

was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,

sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____

Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____

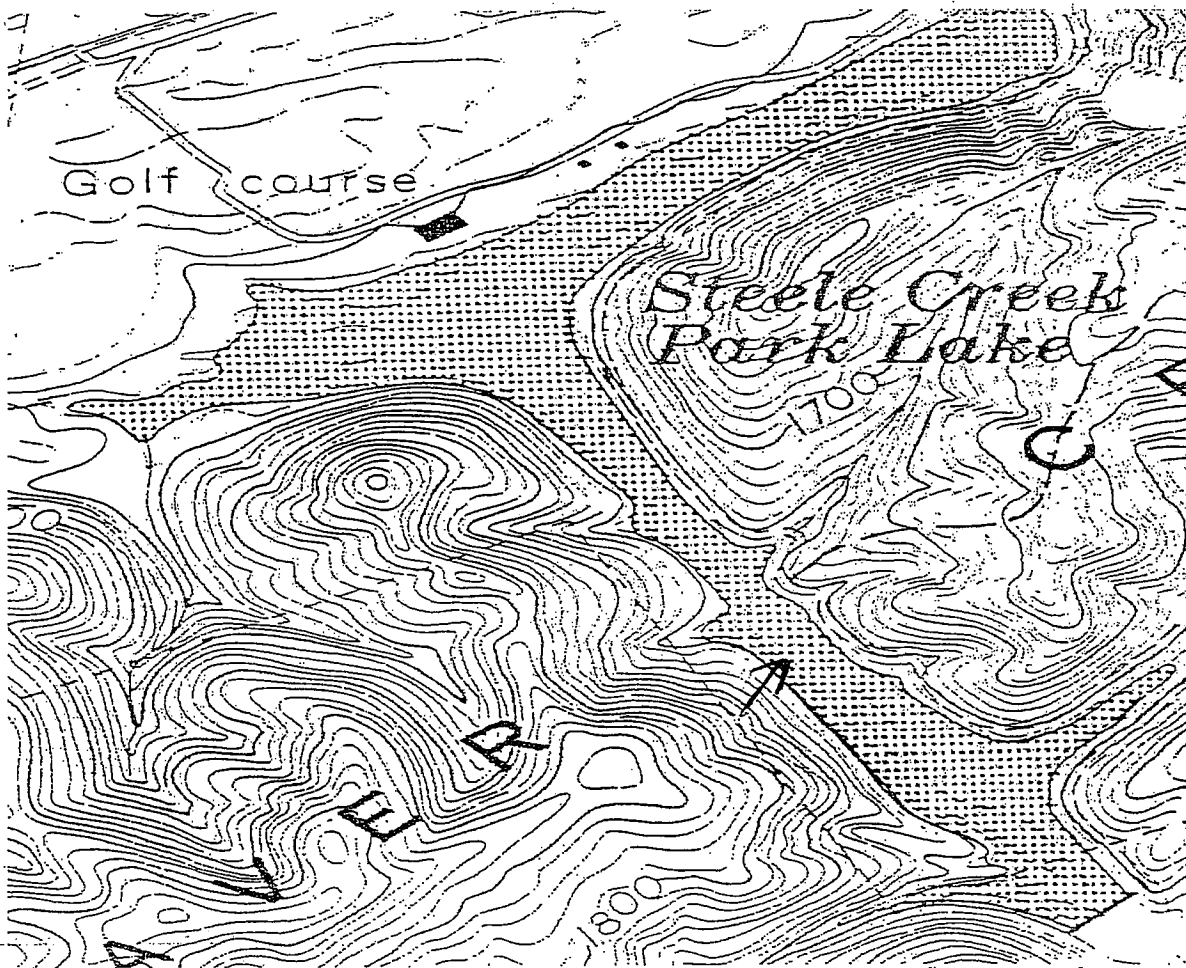
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% ✓ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? Male

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Juv.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 6.4

Other species present and number: None

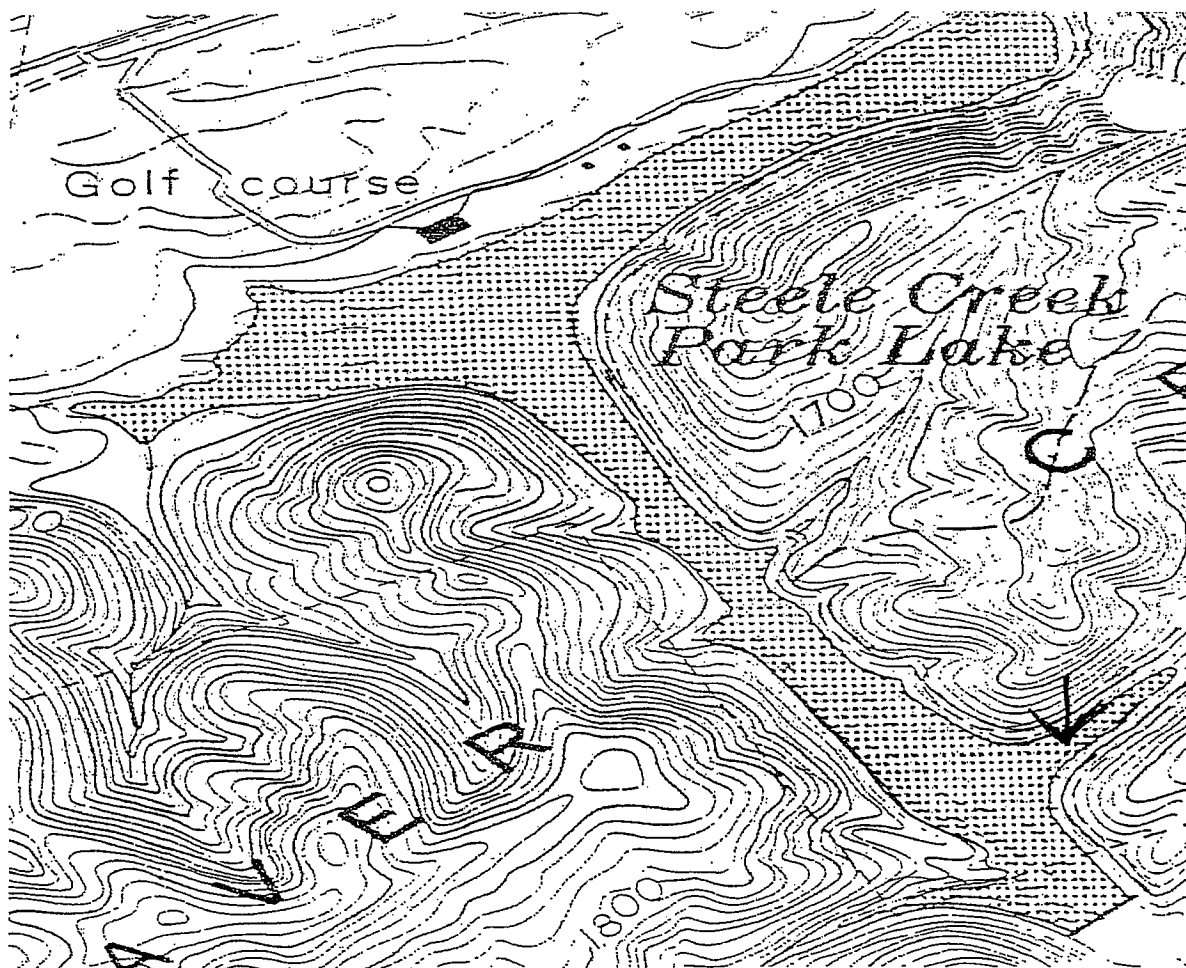


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/6/04 Time found: 3:36 Temp: 85° F H2O Temp: 65° F Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Mark
Depth of area: 1 3/4 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.2 M.
Location turtle was found (map): Deep Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: Coconut logs; explain: _____
Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% Y 75% _____ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? _____
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Male
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 6.5
Other species present and number: None

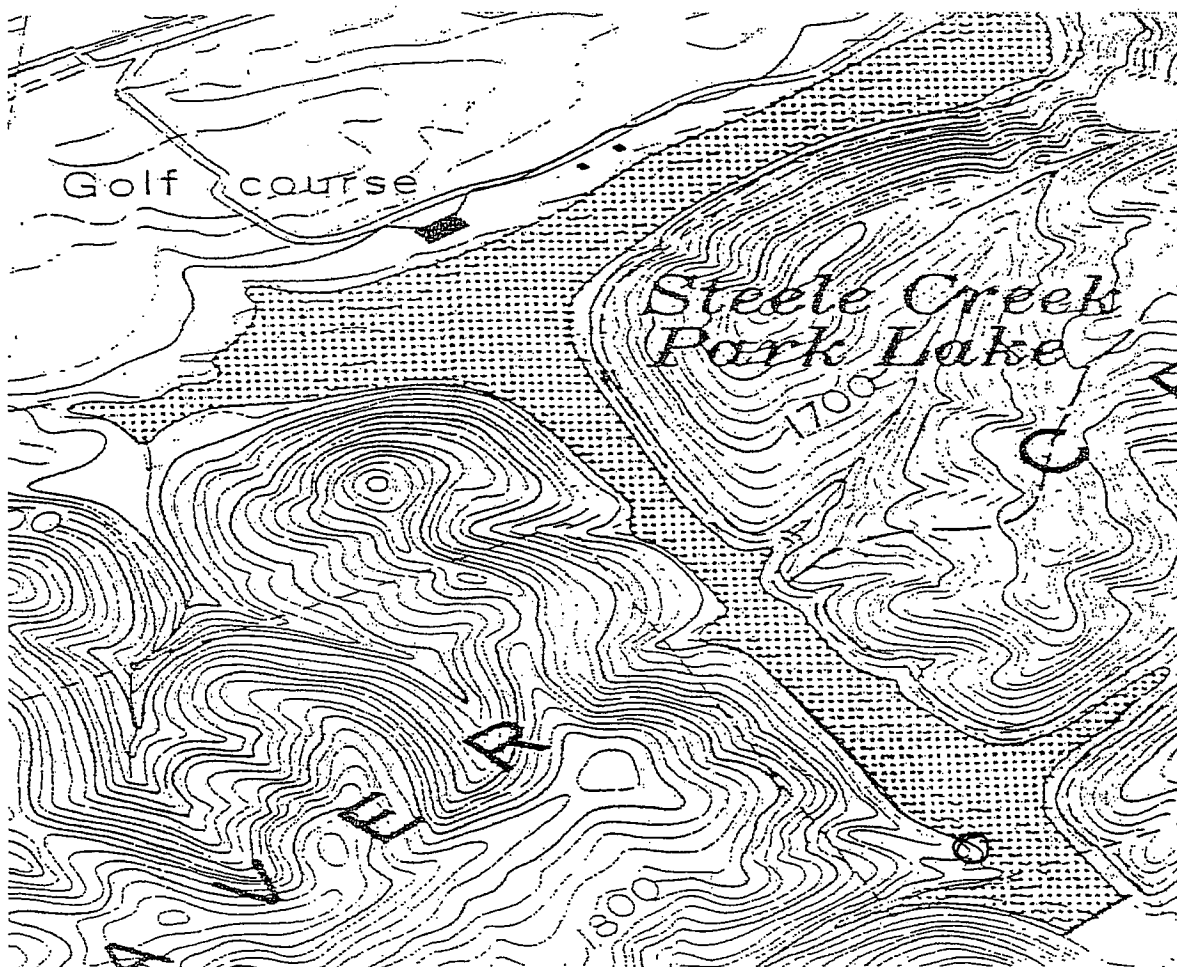


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5-7-04 Time found: 11:00^{AM} Temp: 85° H2O Temp: 66.4 ^{B-63.5} ^{M-64.3} ^{Surface} Weather: clear & sunny
Water Condition: 75% clear
Depth of area: 1.25 M. Secchi disk reading of area: none M.
Location turtle was found (map): Cove Right Before Paw Paw Branch

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): yes; was it floating? no,
was it on the bank? yes. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% ✓ 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? Male.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 10-11 in..
Other species present and number: 1 other Softshell

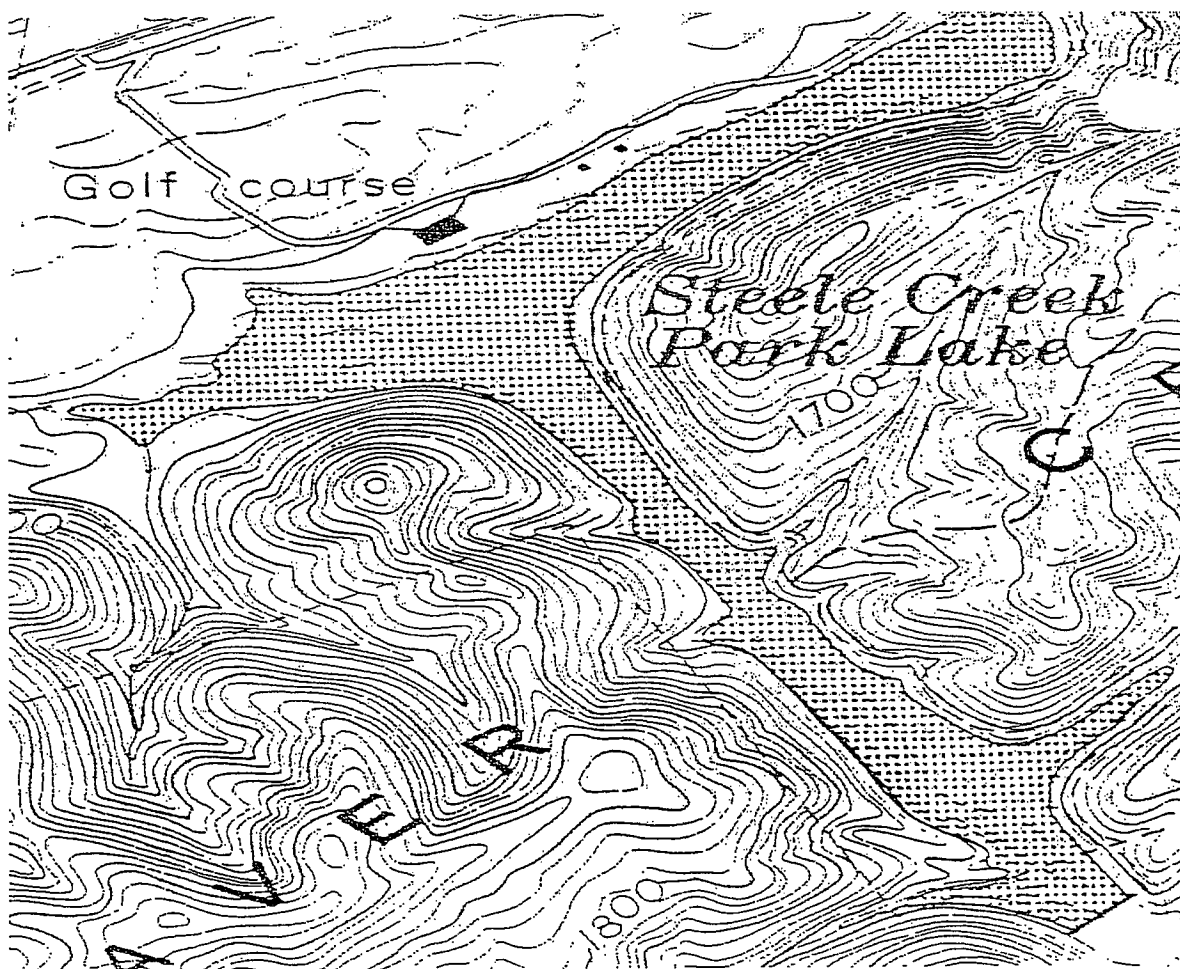


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/7/09 Time found: 11:40^{Am} Temp: 85° H2O Temp: 66.4 Weather: Clear & Sunny
Water Condition: 25% Clear
Depth of area: 3 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1 M.
Location turtle was found (map): White Oak Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? Y,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% Y

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 13.4.
Other species present and number: None



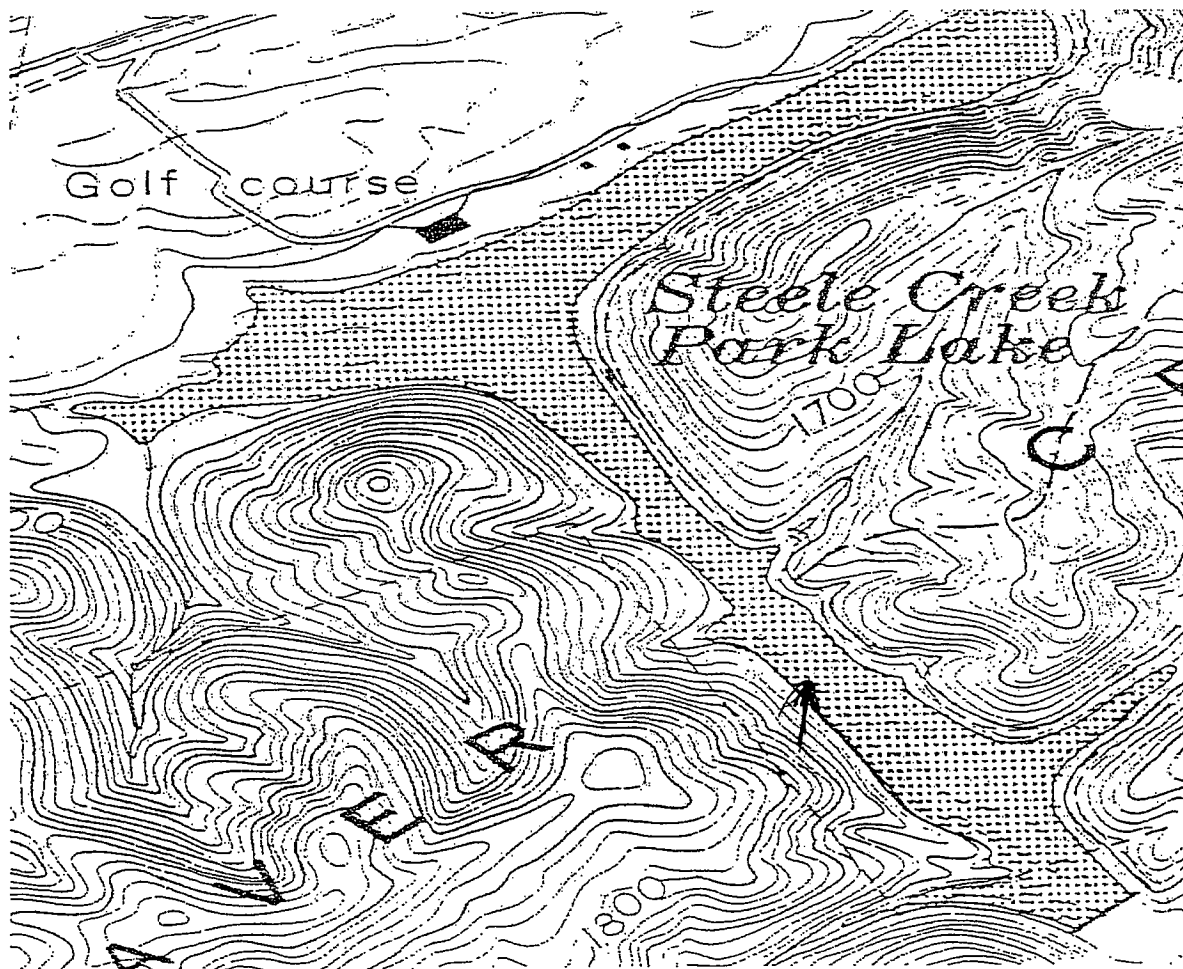
Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

8-67.6-17-65.0 6-67.1

Date: 5/7/04 Time found: 12:55 Temp: 83.7 H₂O Temp: 80.0 Weather: Clear and Sunny.
Water Condition: 25% clear
Depth of area: 1.5 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 2.34 M.
Location turtle was found (map): _____

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Yes; was it floating? Yes,
was it on the bank? No. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____.
Floating vegetation: yes what type of vegetation? floating log
Was the sun shining on this spot? yes. How much? 0% _____ 25% ✓ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? male.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 13 inches.
Other species present and number: none



Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

B-54.4 M-62.1 S-68.6

Date: 5/7/04 Time found: 1:12 pm Temp: 85° H2O Temp: _____ Weather: Clear, Sunny

Water Condition: part clear 50%

Depth of area: 6.34 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 yds.

Location turtle was found (map): directly opposite from deep cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): yes; was it floating? no,
was it on the bank? no. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____

Floating vegetation: no, what type of vegetation? _____

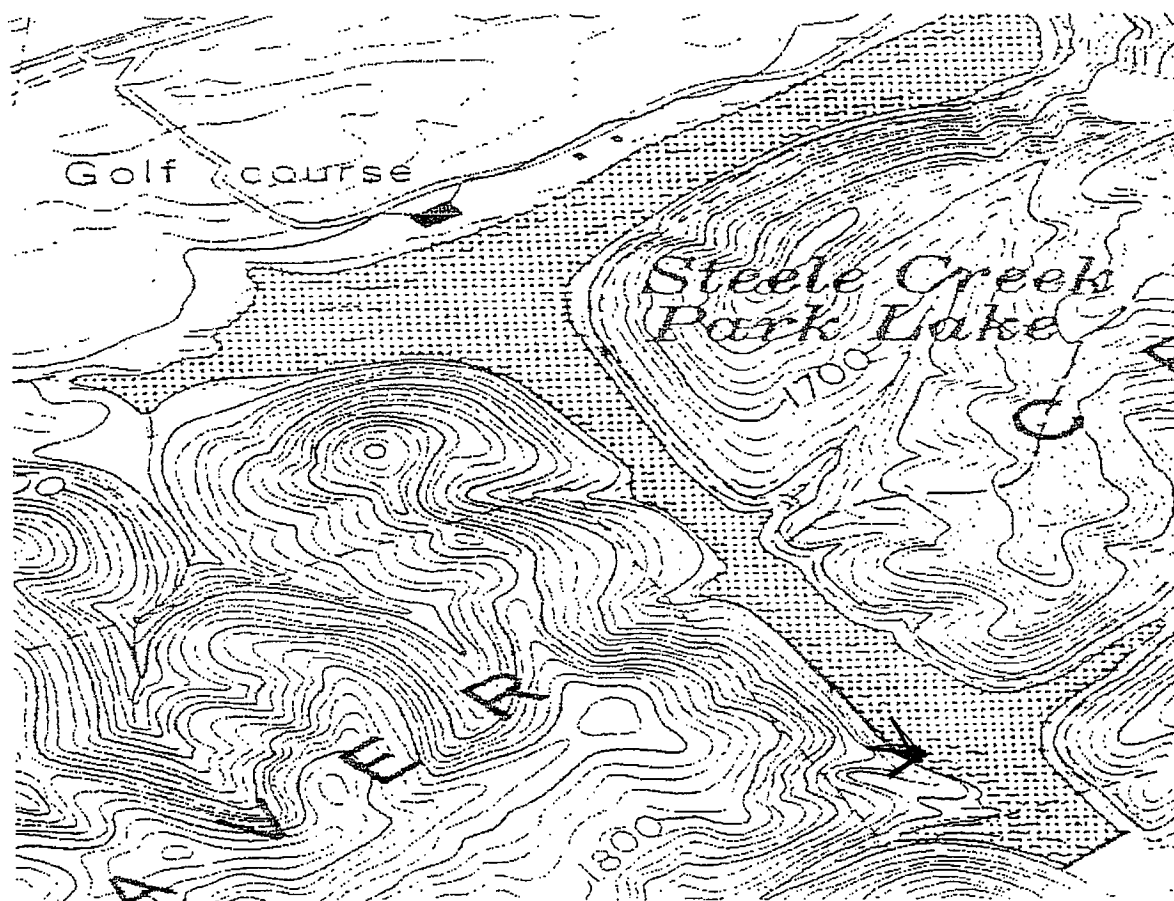
Was the sun shining on this spot? yes. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% ☒

Was the turtle a male or a female? female

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 inches

Other species present and number: 1 other soft shell

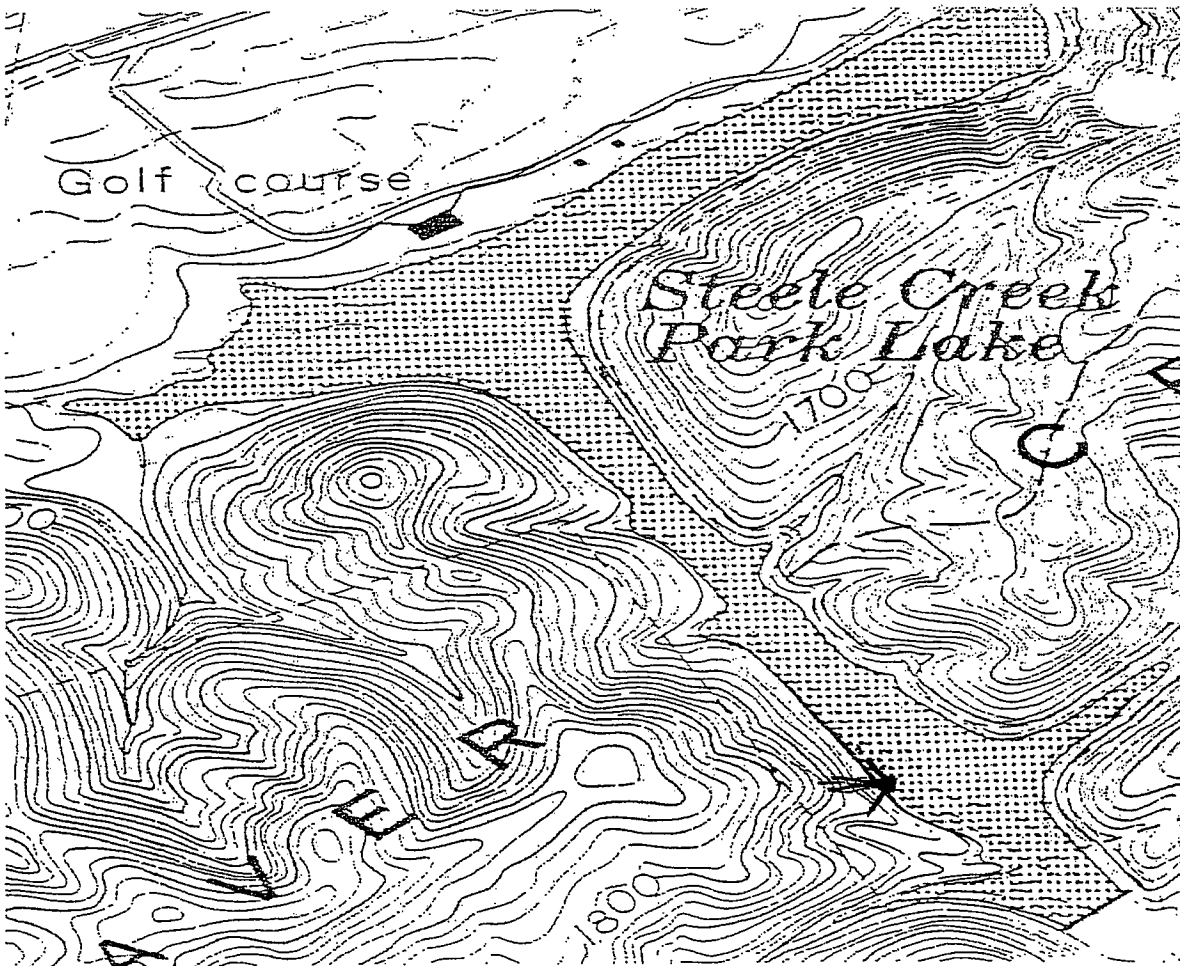


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/7/04 Time found: 1:12 Temp: 85 H2O Temp: 8-54.4 M-62.1 S-68.6 Weather: Clear, sunny
Water Condition: partly clear 50%
Depth of area: 6.34 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 M.
Location turtle was found (map): directly opposite of deep cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): yes; was it floating? NO,
was it on the bank? NO. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____.
Floating vegetation: NO what type of vegetation? _____
Was the sun shining on this spot? yes .How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? female.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 inches.
Other species present and number: 1 other female soft shell

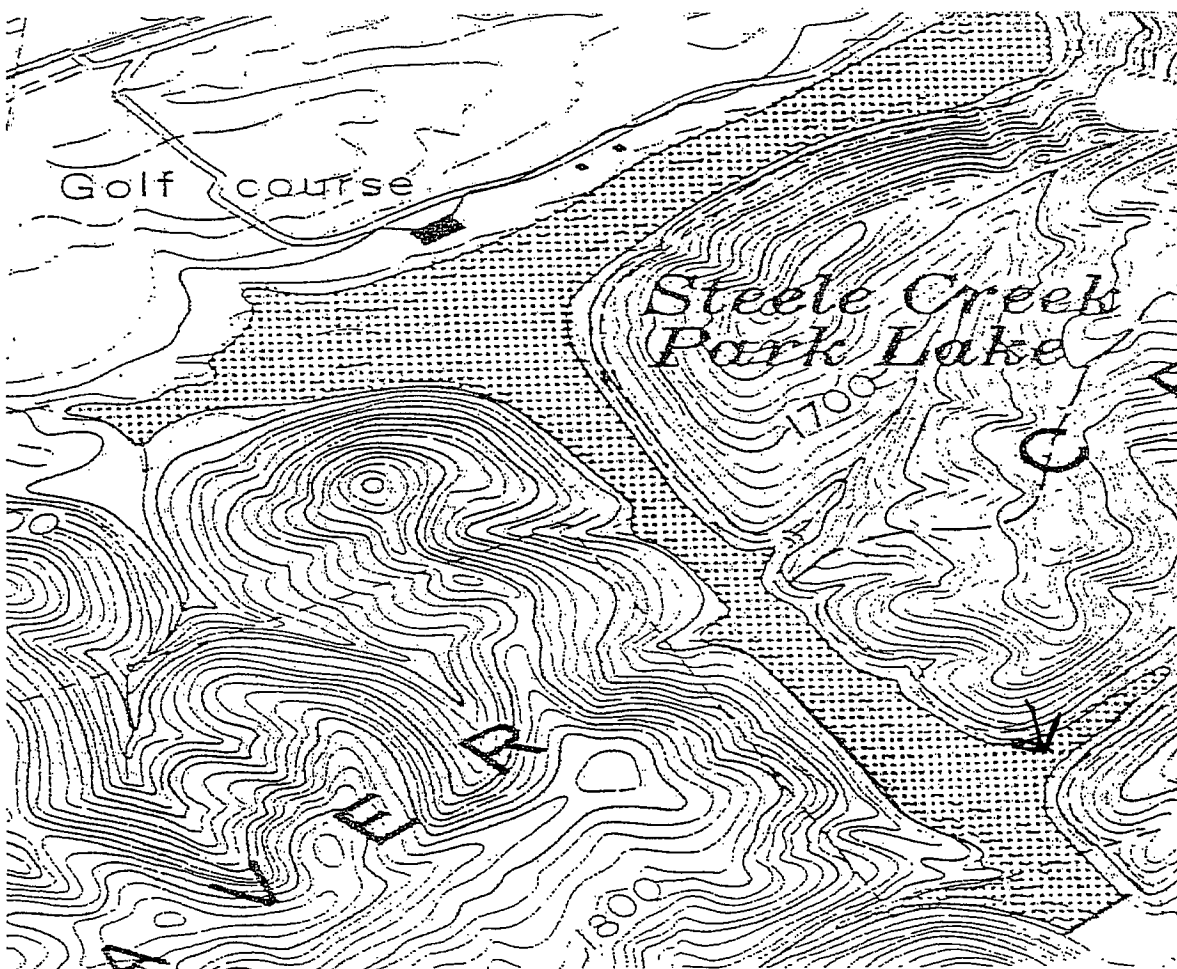


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/10/07 Time found: 1:58 Temp: 85 H2O Temp: 8-66.4 m825-70.7 Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Murky about 2500
Depth of area: 300 M. Secchi disk reading of area: NO M.
Location turtle was found (map): Deep Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): ✓; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? ✓. On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: what type of vegetation? .
Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓. How much? 0% 25% 50% ✓ 75% 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀.
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12 in.
Other species present and number: None



Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

8-686 m-68.6 S-70.7
Date: 8/7/64 Time found: 2:18 Temp: _____ H2O Temp: _____ Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Clear/mucky 50%
Depth of area: 1/4 M. Secchi disk reading of area: _____ M.
Location turtle was found (map): _____

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): _____; was it floating? _____,
was it on the bank? _____. On bank What type of bank material? rock: ☒, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____.

Floating vegetation: No what type of vegetation? _____.

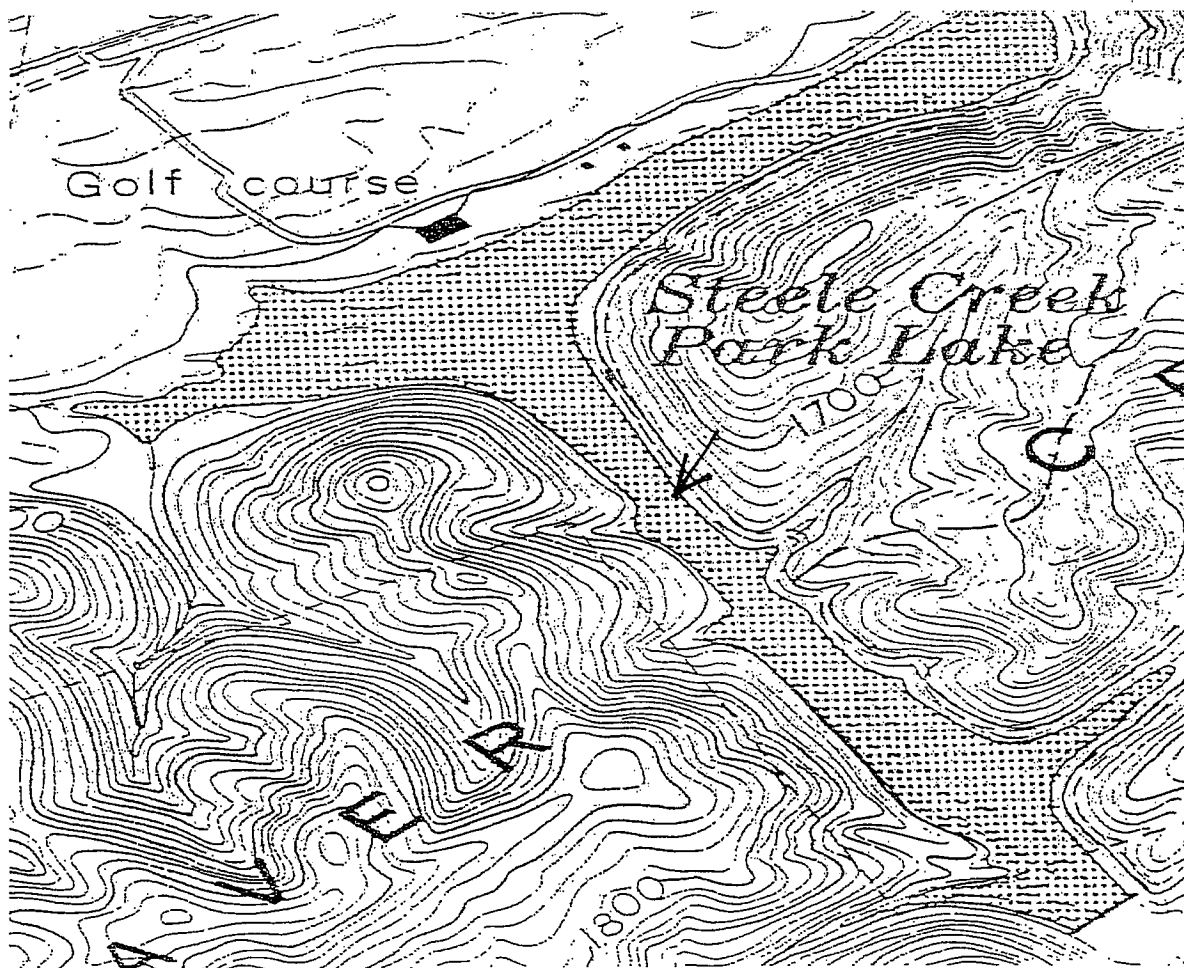
Was the sun shining on this spot? ☒. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% ☒

Was the turtle a male or a female? male.

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 9 in.

Other species present and number: None.



Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/7/01 Time found: 2:30 Temp: 85° H2O Temp: 67.5 ~~67.5~~ m-67.5 s-67.5
Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: Clear 75
Depth of area: 1/4 M. Secchi disk reading of area: No M.
Location turtle was found (map): Beginning of big bend

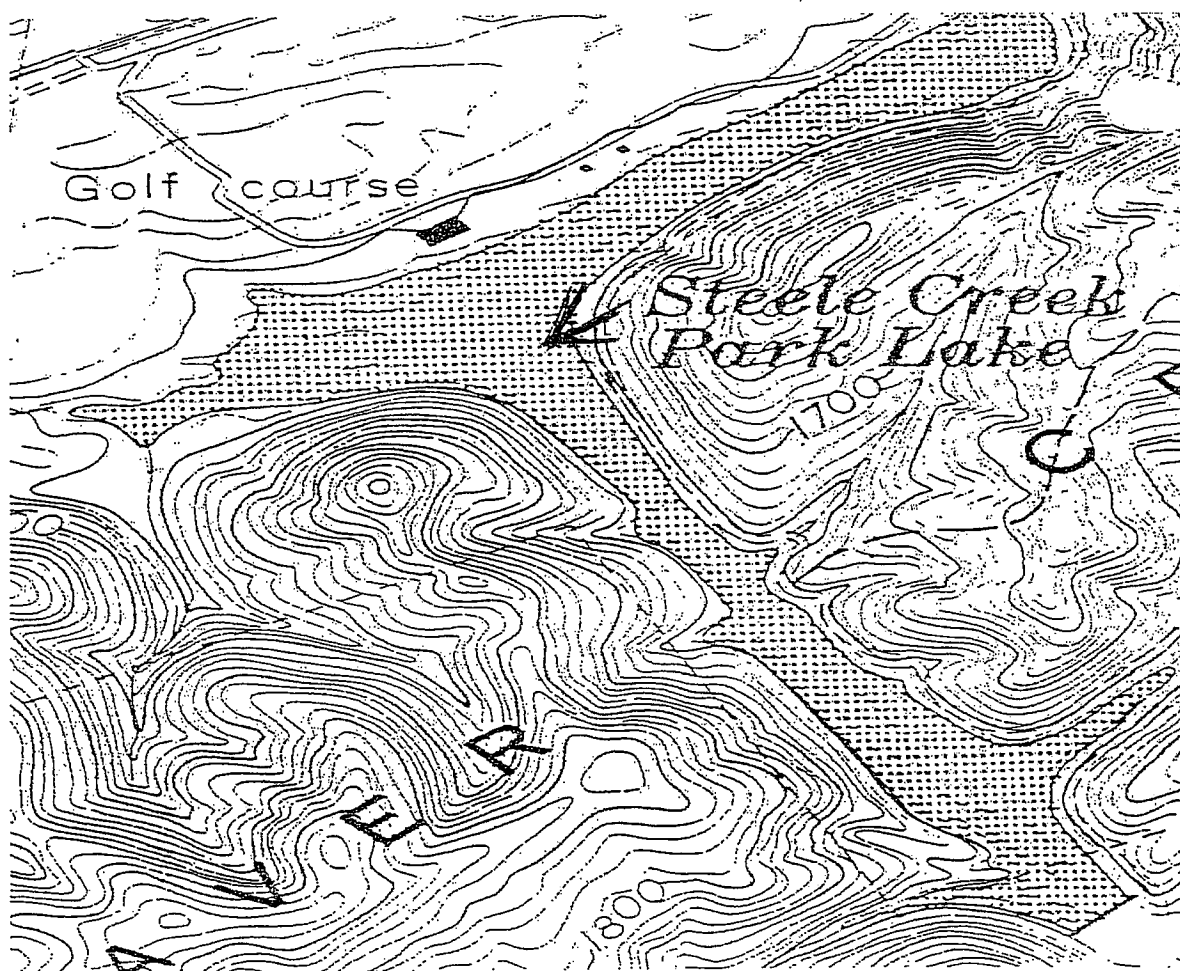
Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): _____; was it floating? _____,
was it on the bank? _____. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: ✓; explain: Coconut log
Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation?
Was the sun shining on this spot? _____. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? male

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 7-8 in.

Other species present and number: Northern Water Snake 1

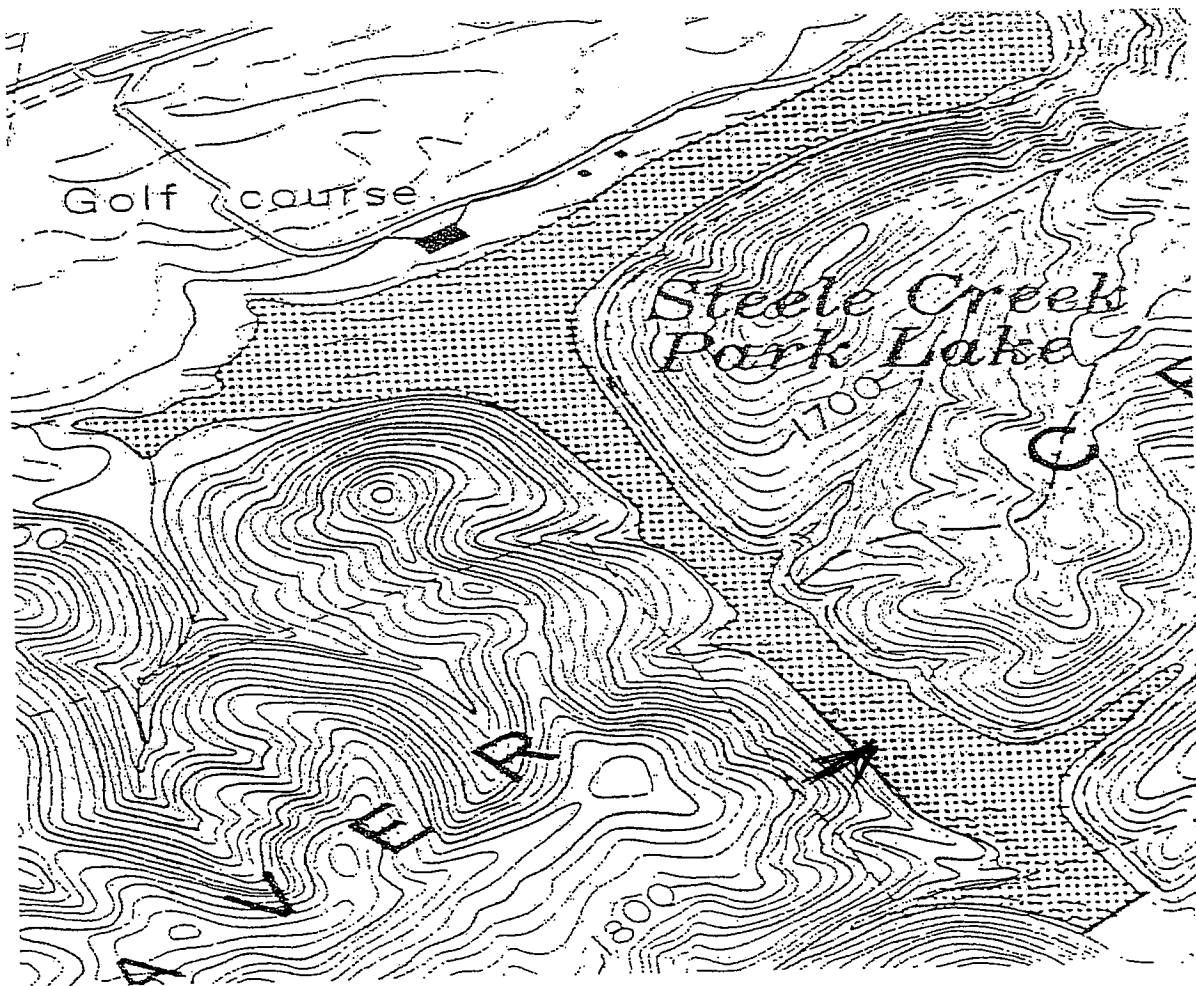


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/6/64 Time found: 2:00 Temp: 85° H2O Temp: 86.7 M 66.8 S 69.7°
Water Condition: 25% Clear
Depth of area: 1 3/4 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1 3/4 M.
Location turtle was found (map): _____

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): ✓; was it floating? 10,
was it on the bank? ✓. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____
Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____
Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓. How much? 0% _____ 25% ✓ 50% _____ 75% _____ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 13 in
Other species present and number: None

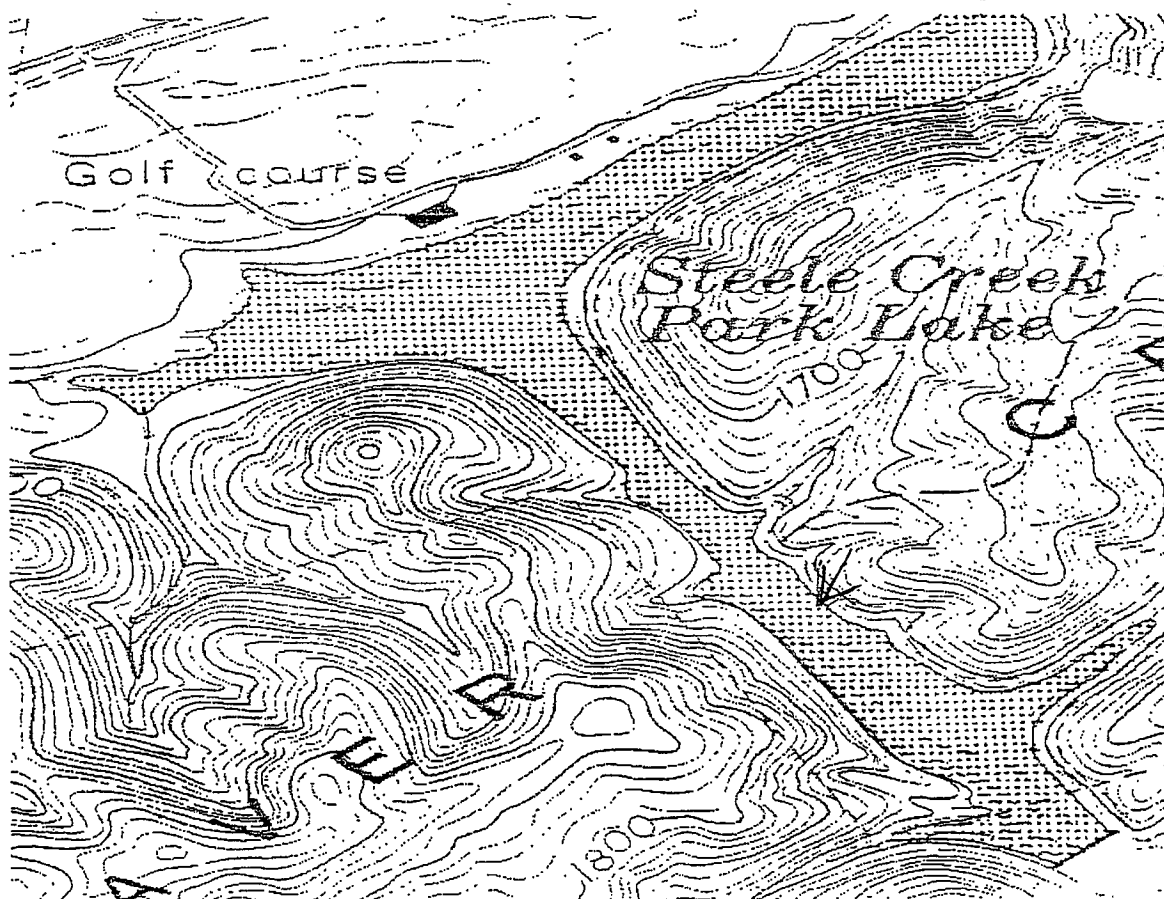


Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 5/8/09 Time found: Temp: 80° H2O Temp: 70° Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: 25% Clear, murky
Depth of area: 1.5 Yds. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 yds.
Location turtle was found (map):

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): ; was it floating? ,
was it on the bank? . On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,
sand , other: ; explain: .
Floating vegetation: ✓ what type of vegetation? Tree Limb
Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓ How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% ✓ 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 11 in
Other species present and number: None



Basking Site Analysis Research Paper

Date: 9/8/04 Time found: — Temp: 80° H2O Temp: 70° Weather: Clear, Sunny

Water Condition: Murky, 25% Clear

Depth of area: 1.5 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 M.

Location turtle was found (map): _____

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): _____; was it floating? _____

was it on the bank? . On bank What type of bank material? rock: ☒ , gravel: ☐

sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____

Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____

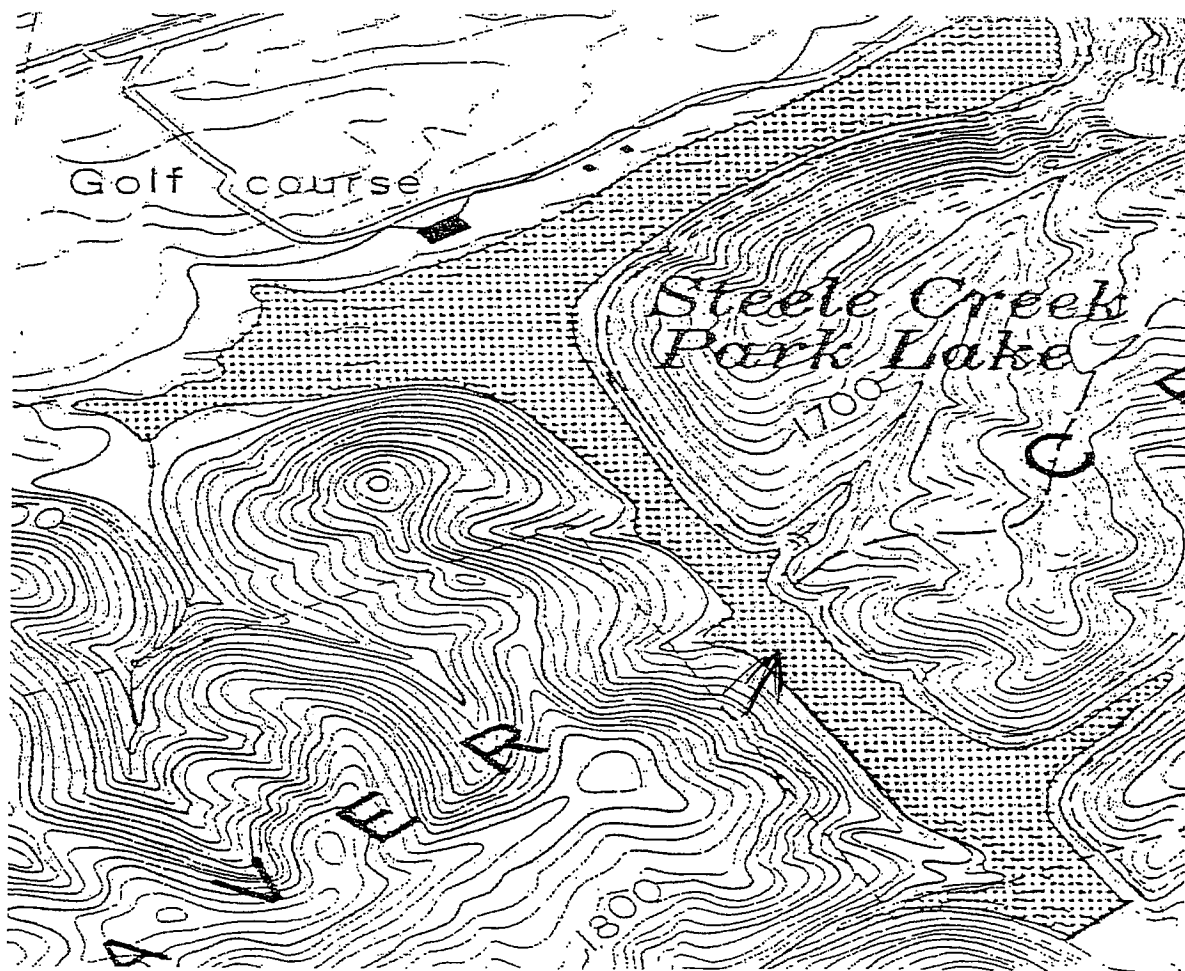
Was the sun shining on this spot? _____ .How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 13 in

Other species present and number: None



Basking Site Analysis Research Paper
Steele Creek Park Lake, Bristol, Tennessee.

Date: 2/9/64 Time found: 11:20 Temp: 28.7 H₂O Temp: 5-71.8 Weather: Clear, Sunny
Water Condition: _____
Depth of area: 3 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.8 M.
Location turtle was found (map): White Oak Cove

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: _____, gravel: _____,
sand _____, other: _____; explain: _____

Floating vegetation: _____ what type of vegetation? _____

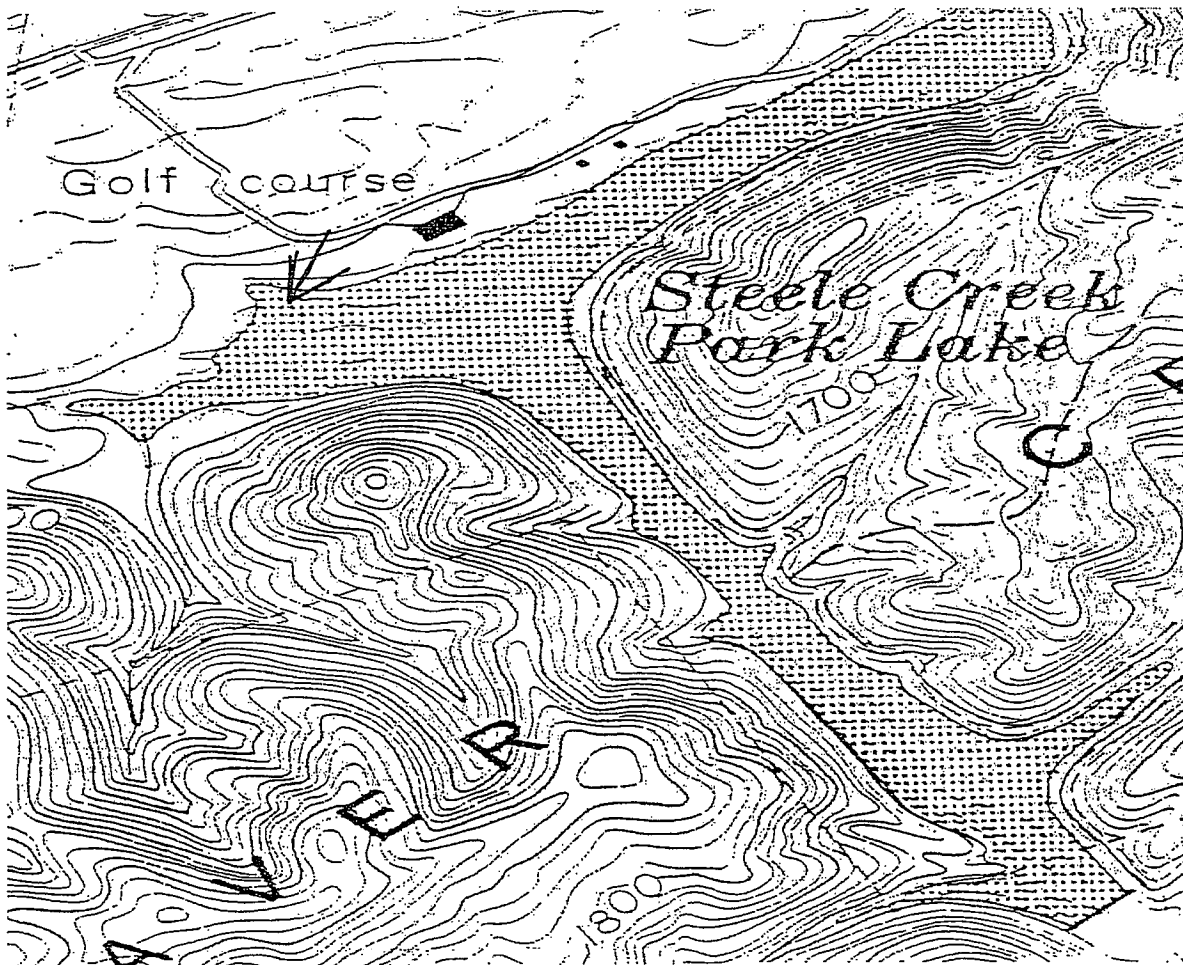
Was the sun shining on this spot? ✓. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? Female

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12 in

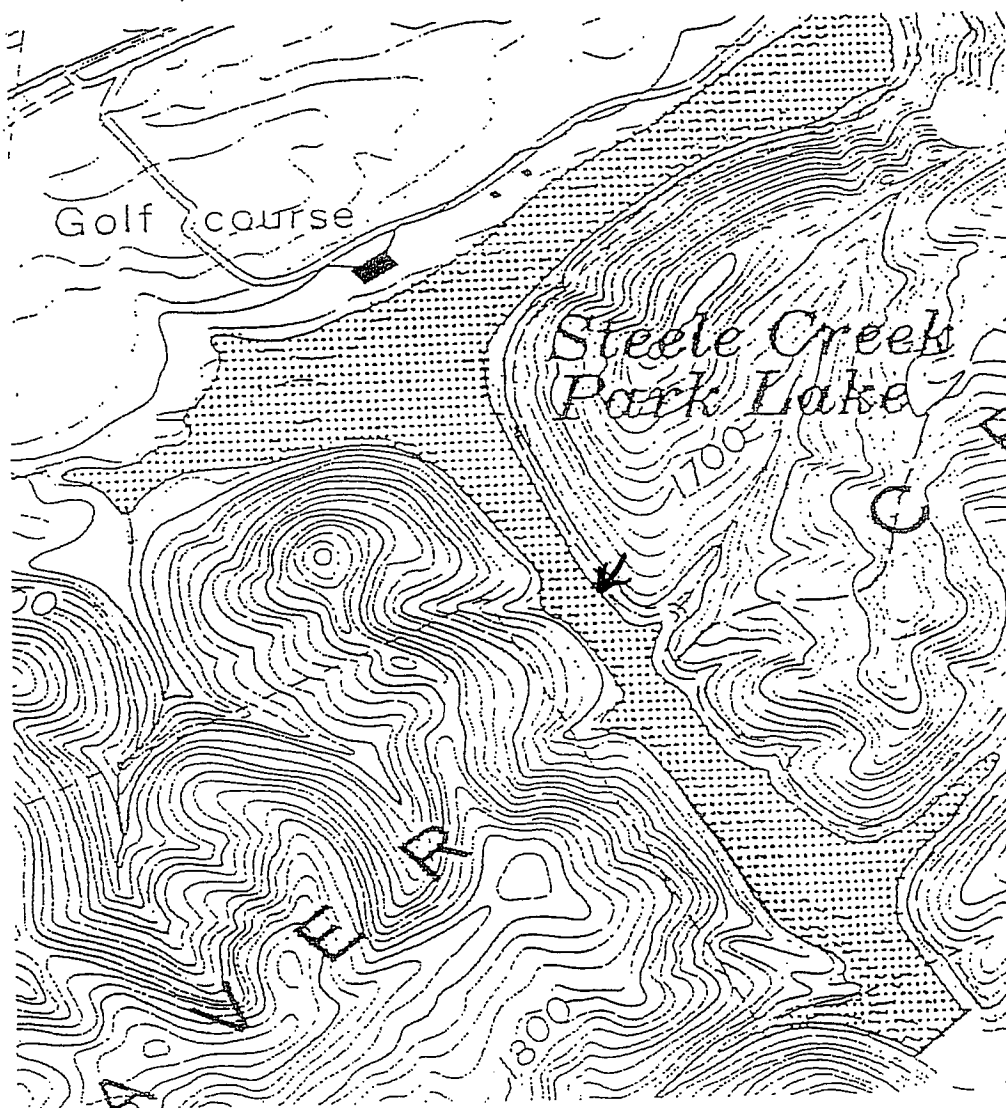
Other species present and number: None



Date: 8/4/04 Time found: 15:05 Temp: B 80.6 M X S 83.7 H 20 Temp: 86.6
Weather: Clear/sunny. 5% Cloud cover
Water Condition: Apparently normal condition.
Depth of area: 2.5 M. Secchi disk reading of area: X M. too shallow/clear
Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): NO; was it floating? NO,
was it on the bank? NO. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Yes, gravel: NO,
sand NO, other: NO; explain: NO
Floating vegetation: NO what type of vegetation? _____
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% _____ 25% _____ 50% ☒ 75% _____ 100% _____

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12 in
Other species present and number: None



Date: 24 June 04 Time found: 12:45 Temp: B 73.6 M X S 75.2 ^{8:10} Temp: 76.0 °F

Weather: Sunny and Cloudy

Water Condition: Clearer than normal. Little Murky.

Depth of area: 1.0M. Secchi disk reading of area: --M. No Secchi disk reading.

Location turtle was found (map): Close to trapping location #3.

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): N; was it floating? N

was it on the bank? N On bank What type of bank material? rock: , gravel: ,

sand , other: Y; explain: Coconut mesh, for erosion.

Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation?

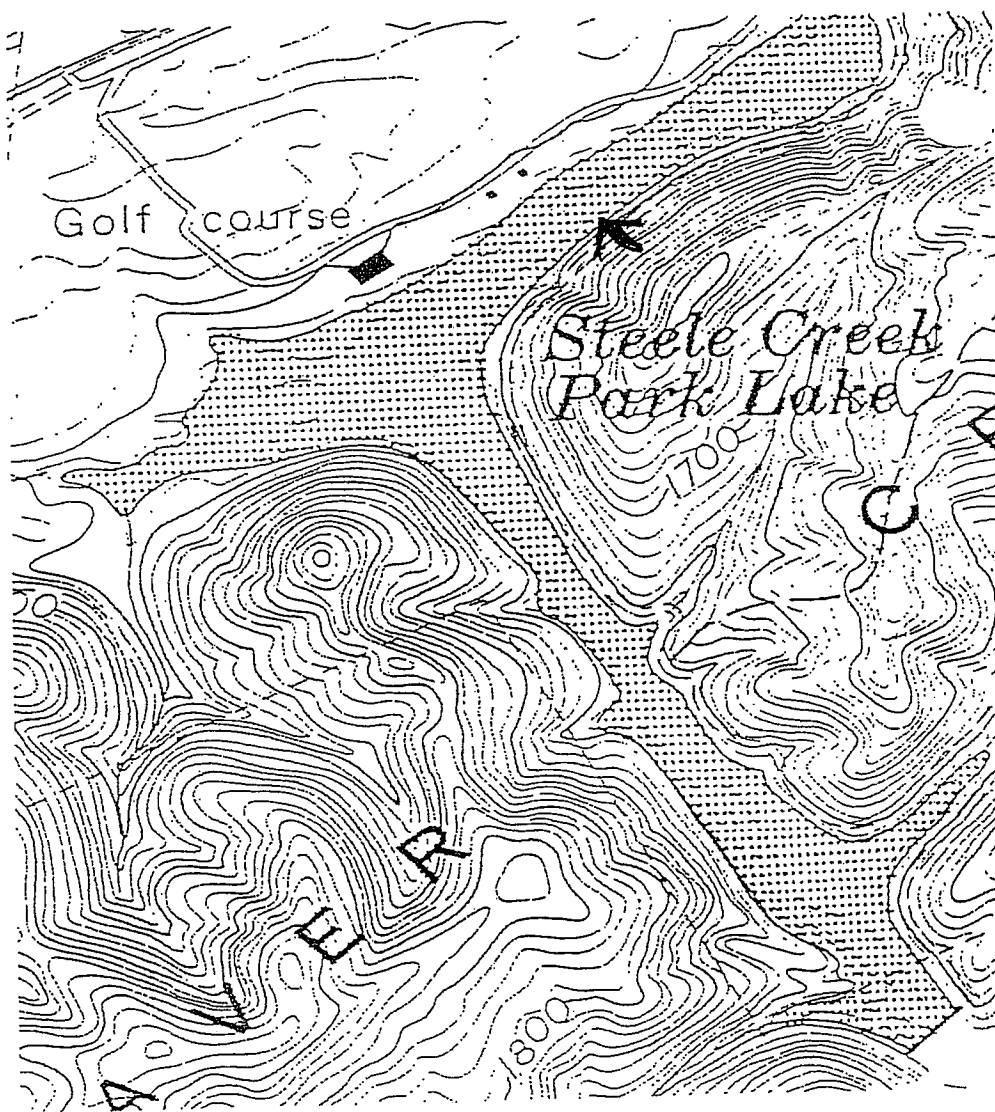
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult.

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 15 in.

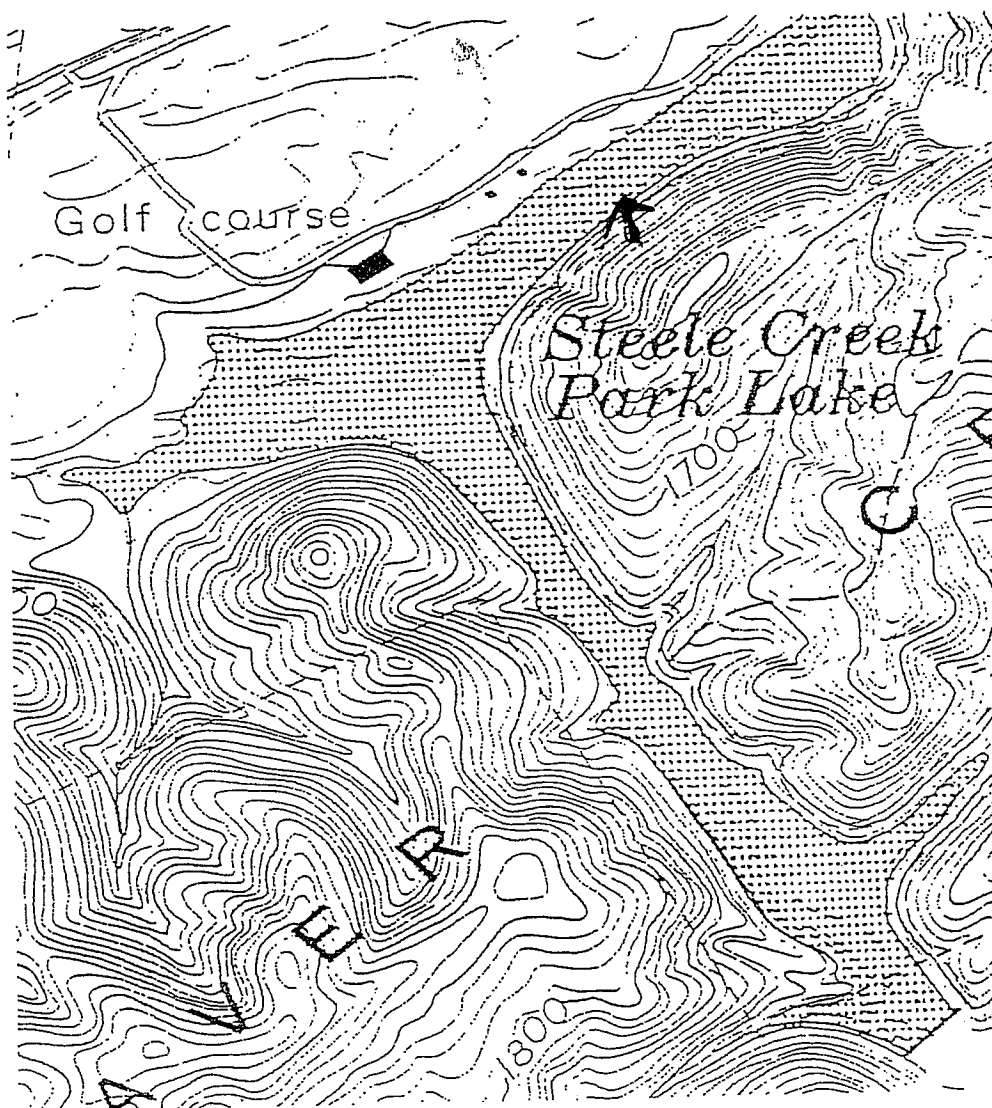
Other species present and number: None



Date: 6/28/04 Time found: 1:10 Temp: B 72.5 M X S 74.2 ^{air} ~~H₂O~~ Temp: 78.7°F
Weather: overcast, sunbeams present
Water Condition: Normal condition/murky
Depth of area: 0.75 M. Secchi disk reading of area: -- M. = water too shallow.
Location turtle was found (map): close to trap location number 3,

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): N; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? N. On bank What type of bank material? rock: N, gravel: N,
sand N, other: Y; explain: Coccolith mesh.
Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation?
Was the sun shining on this spot? Yes. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100%

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀
Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult
What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 in
Other species present and number: None



Date: 7/13/64 Time found: 1405 Temp: B 82.3 M 80.8 ^{air} H₂O Temp: 83.7 °F

Weather: Sunny, Clear/Partly Cloudy.

Water Condition: Apparently murkier than normal.

Depth of area: 1/4 M. Secchi disk reading of area: None M. = too shallow.

Location turtle was found (map): Beginning of bend, SW facing.

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? N,
was it on the bank? Y. On bank What type of bank material? rock: N, gravel: N,
sand N, other: N; explain: _____.

Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation? _____.

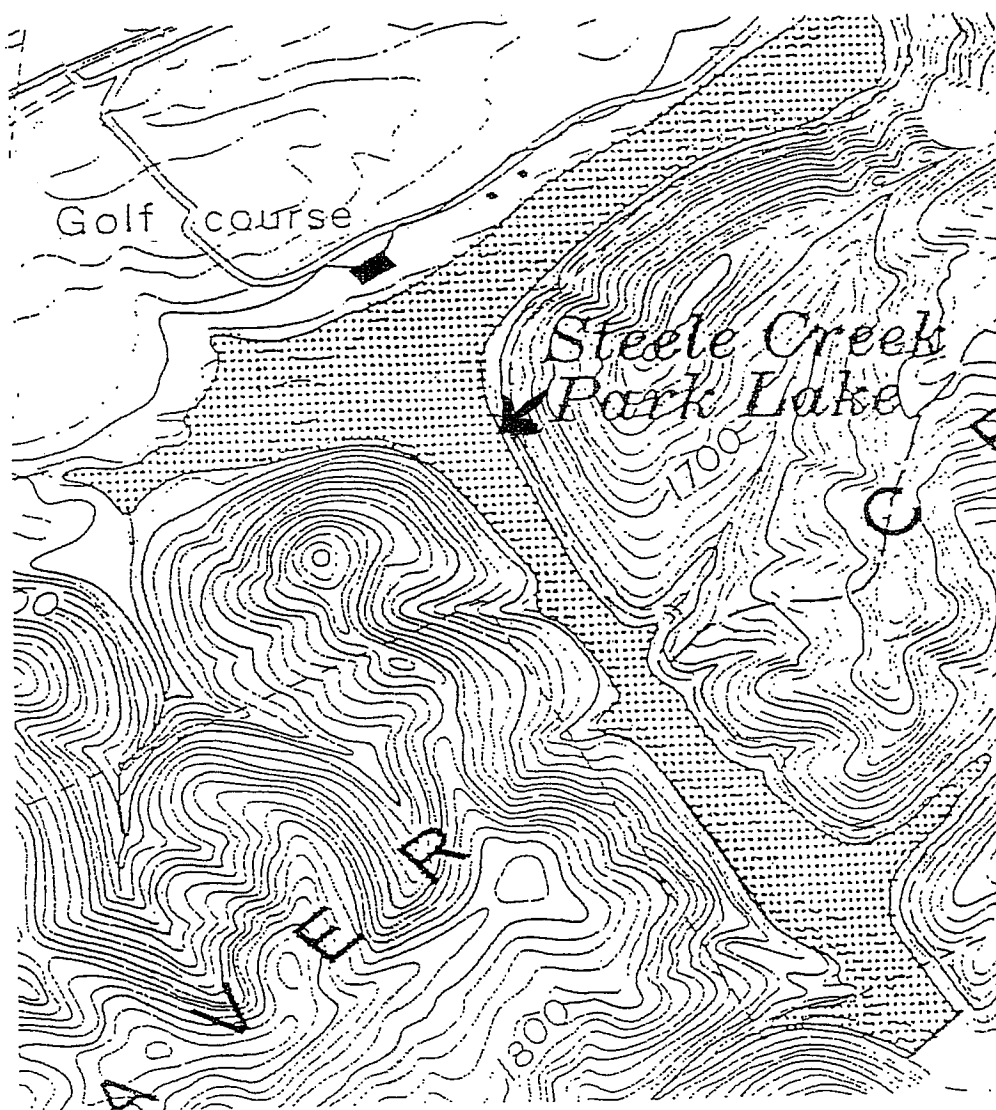
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% ✓

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♂.

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Juv./adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12 in.

Other species present and number: None.



Numerous
vegetation
on bank.

Date: 7/13/84 Time found: 2:58 Temp: B 72.2 M 81.5 ^{air} H 20 Temp: 100.6

Weather: Sunny, Partly Cloudy

Water Condition: apparently Murkier than normal

Depth of area: 1.75 M. Secchi disk reading of area: 1.5 M.

Location turtle was found (map): Trapping location #11, Paw Paw Branch Cove,

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): Y; was it floating? Y/N,

was it on the bank? Y/N. On bank What type of bank material? rock: N, gravel: N,

sand N, other: N; explain: _____

Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation? _____

Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% _____

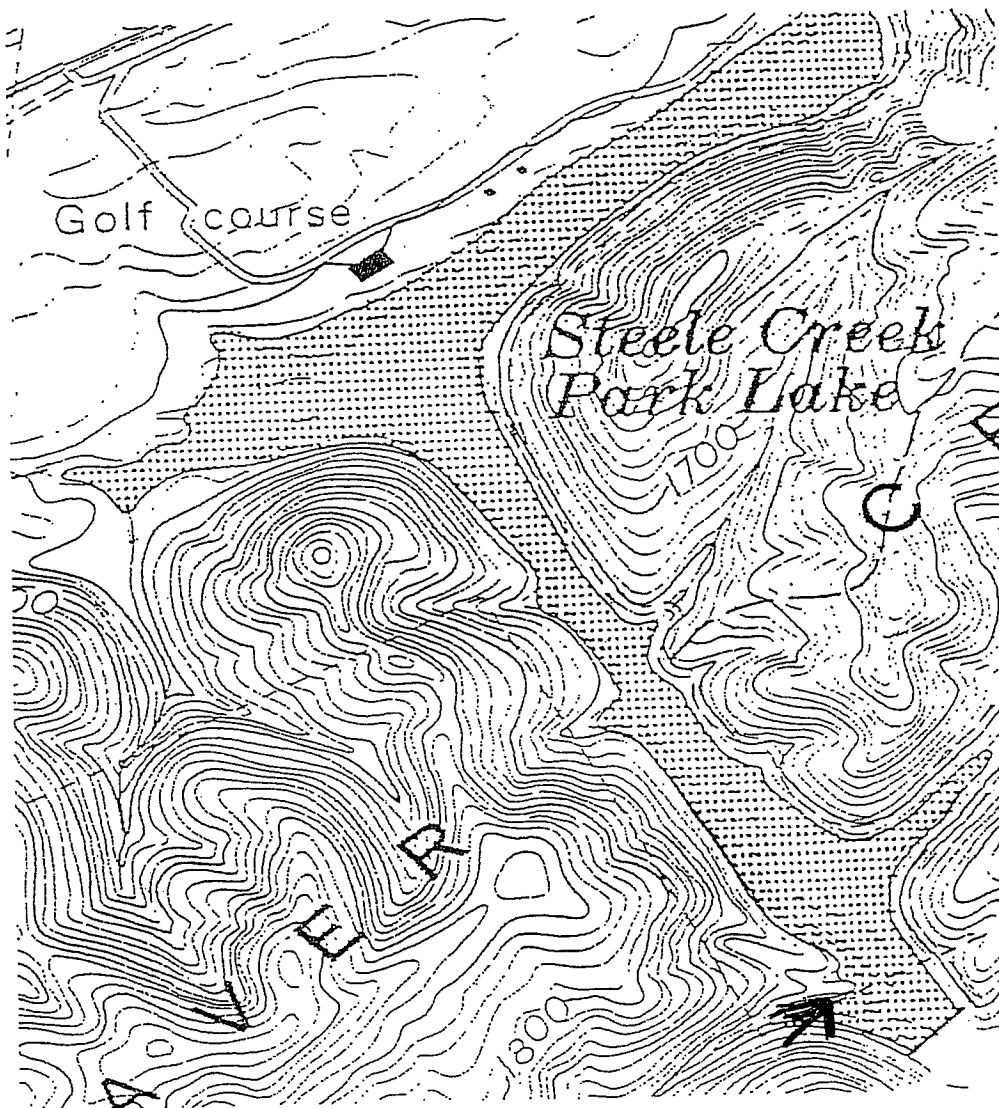
Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 14 in

Other species present and number: None

Roots
still in
soil, rest
of tree
at surface
of water



Date: 7/2/04 Time found: 12:19 Temp: B 76.3 M X S 78.1 ^{air} H 20 Temp: 93.1

Weather: Clear / Sunny - 5% Cloud Cover

Water Condition: Apparently Normal

Depth of area: 1.5 + 2.0 Secchi disk reading of area: X M. - too Shallow

Location turtle was found (map): - Map -

Material turtle was found basking on, yes (y) or no (n): Log (tree): N; was it floating? N

was it on the bank? N. On bank What type of bank material? rock: Y, gravel: ,

sand , other: N; explain:

Floating vegetation: N what type of vegetation?

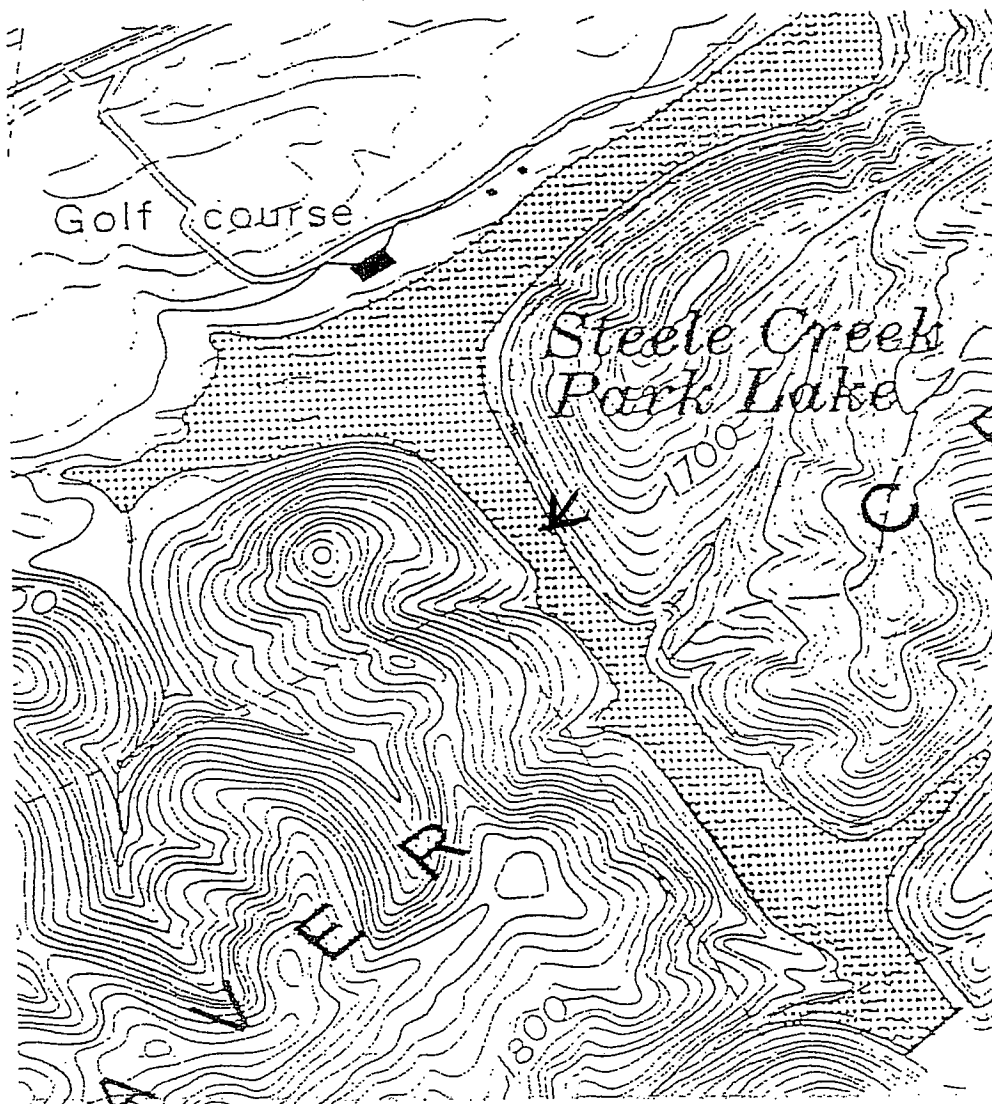
Was the sun shining on this spot? Y. How much? 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% Y

Was the turtle a male or a female? ♀

Was the turtle a hatchling, juvenile or adult? Adult

What size was the turtle (estimate)? 12-13 in

Other species present and number: None



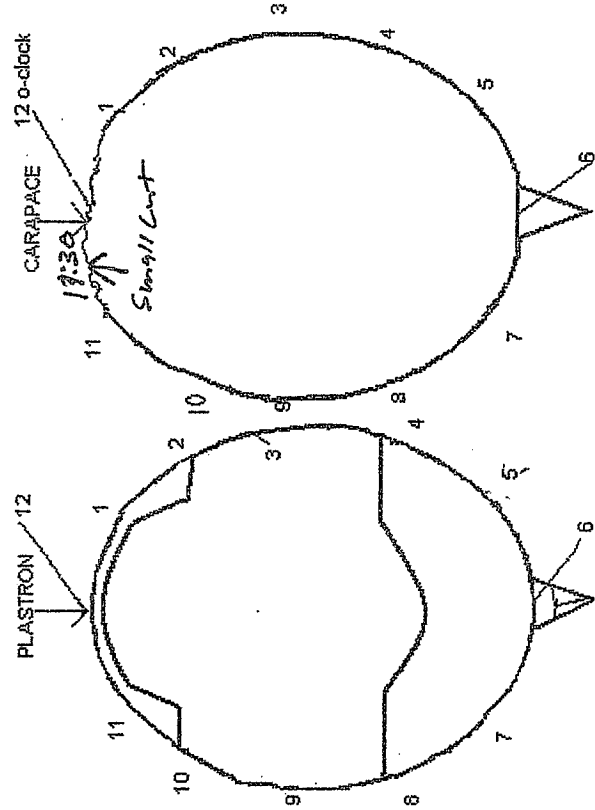
Appendix D
Apalone spinifera Data Sheets

Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

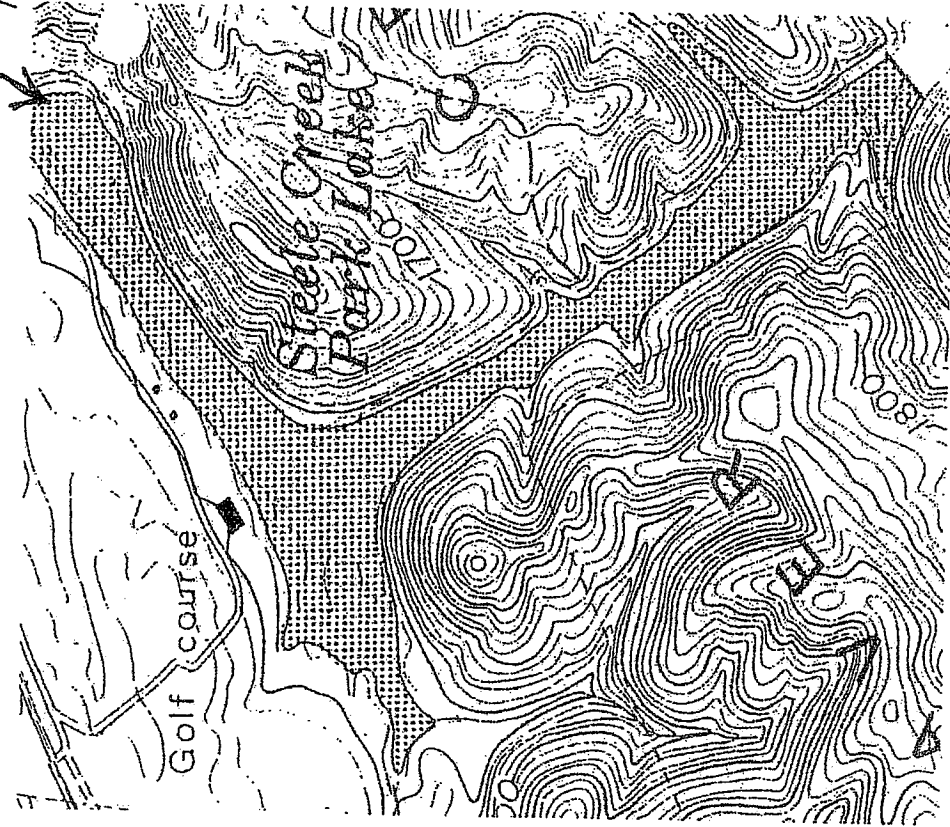
Date, 5/9/64 Time caught, 4:57 Weather, Clear and Sunny
 Air temp. 93.1 C. H₂O temp. 5-16.5 C. Secchi disk 3/4 m.
 Water condition, 25% Clear
 Depth of trapping location 3/4 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☒
 Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ☒ No ☐ Carapace length, 21.4 cm. Plastron length, 14 cm.
 Length of tail, 4.2 cm. Width of tail, 2.5 cm. Length of right hind foot, 11 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 3.5 cm. Body mass (grams), 800
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), Small Cut on 11:30
Measuring

Turtle number 1.1

New ☒ Recovery ☐ Repeat ☐ Date released 5/12/64 Time released 11:40
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop Trap, Pitch Silets and 2 Chicken Gizzards
 Other Co-operator(s), Cory Brown



trap #1

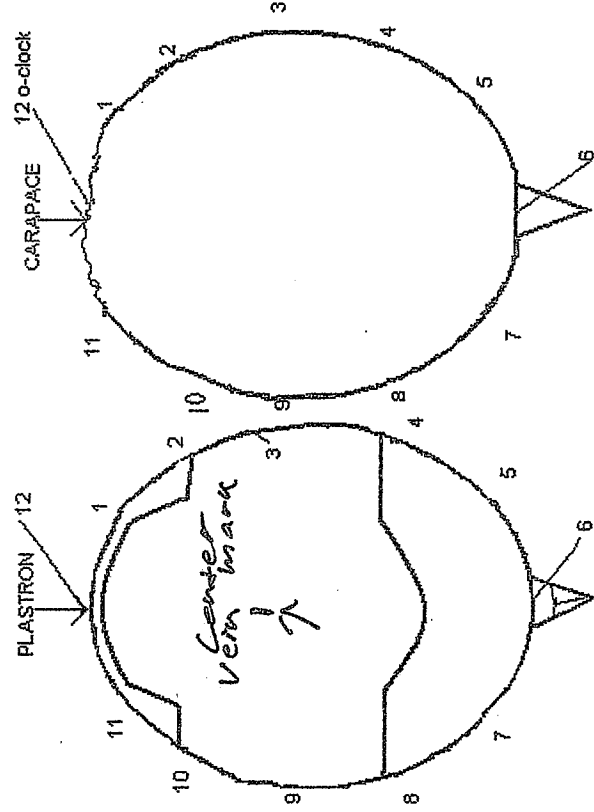


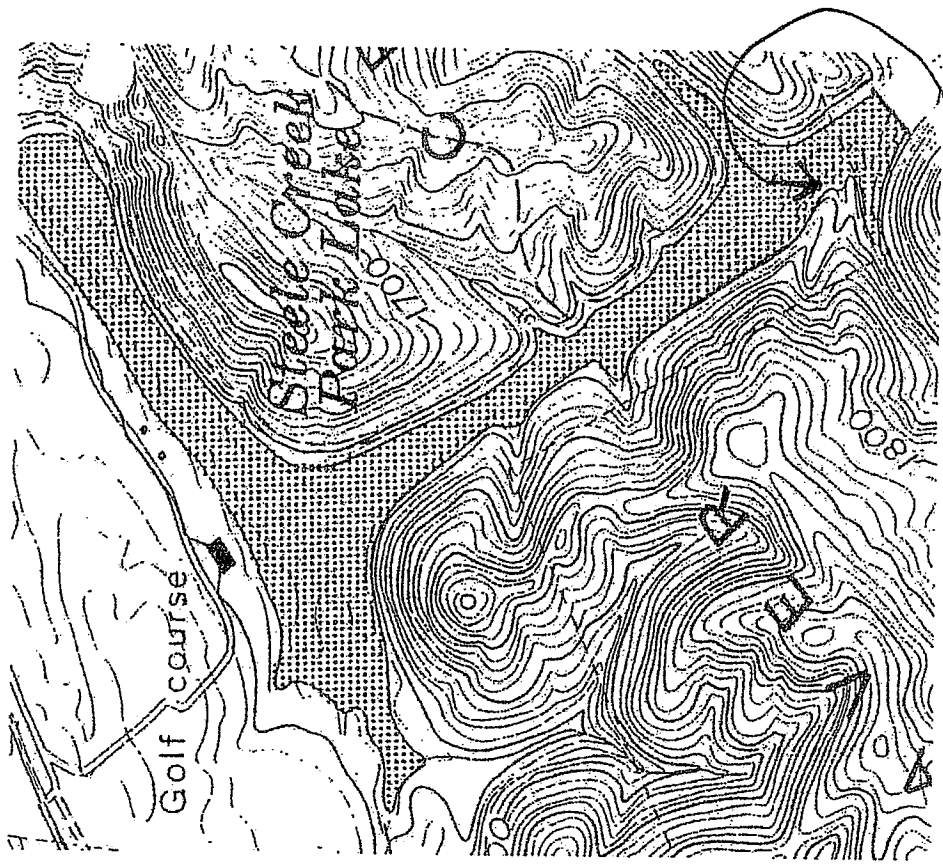
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Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 5/9/84 Time caught, 5:30 Weather, Clear, Sunny
 Air temp. 74° F. H₂O temp. 55° F. Secchi disk 1 1/4 m.
 Water condition, 25% Clear
 Depth of trapping location 2 1/4 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) ☒ Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☐
 Juv (3-4cm) ☐ Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) ☐ HY ☐ H ☐ SY ☐ Local ☐
 Blotches present; Yes ☐ No ☒ Carapace length, 16.5 cm. Plastron length, 11.1 cm.
 Length of tail, 7.2 cm. Width of tail, 3 cm. Length of right hind foot, 9 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 2.7 cm. Body mass (grams), 230
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), Center marking
 on Plastron

Turtle number 1.3
 New ☒ Recovery ☐ Repeat ☐ Date released 5/12/84 Time released 1:40 pm
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop Trap, Pitch Sillies, and Chicken Gizzards (2)
 Other Co-operator(s), Cordy Brown





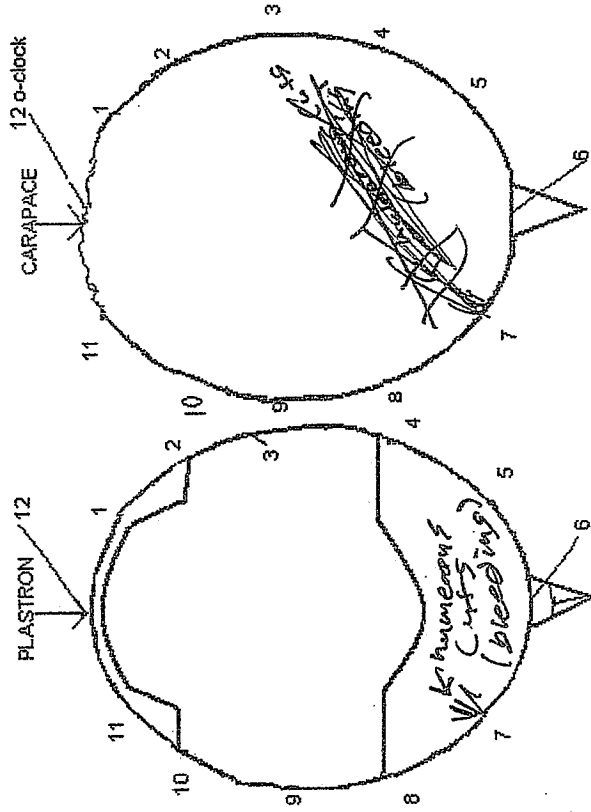
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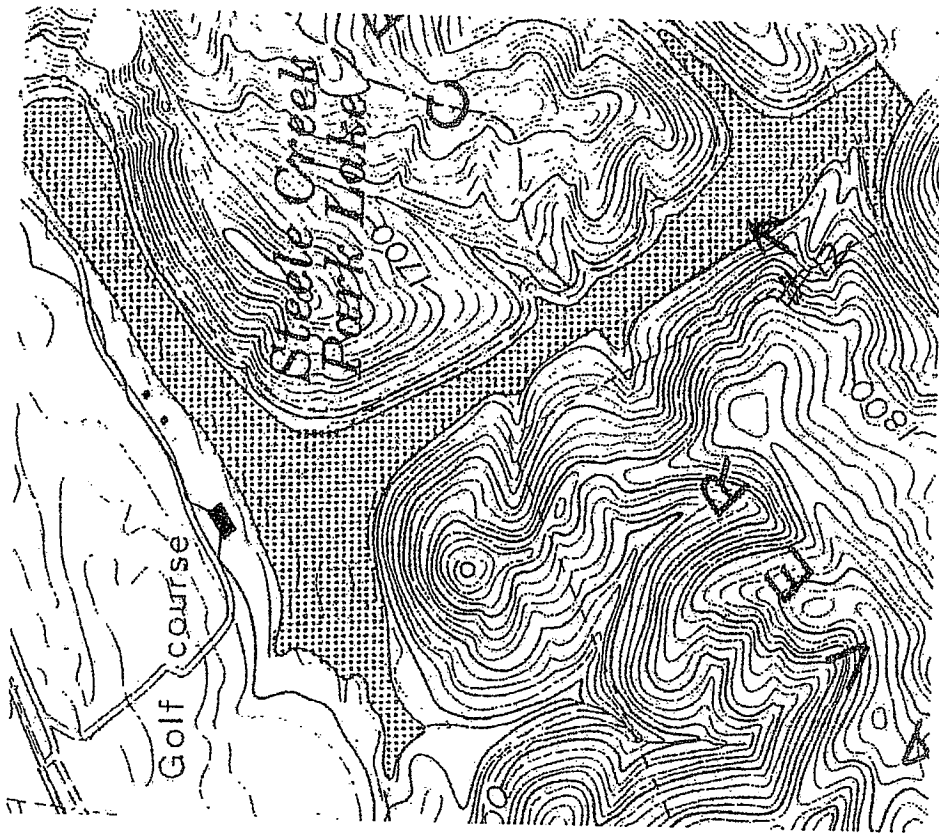
Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 11th June Time caught, 2:45 Weather, little clouds, clear, sunny
 Air temp. 78.1 C. H₂O temp. 32.2 C. Secchi disk 2.5 m.
 Water condition, apparent normal Conductivity _____
 Depth of trapping location 2 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) _____ Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☒
 Juv (3-4cm) _____ Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) _____ HY _____ H _____ SY _____ Local _____
 Blotches present; Yes ☒ No _____ Carapace length, 26.1 cm. Plastron length, 17.5 cm.
 Length of tail, 9.4 cm. Wjth of tail, 3.4 cm. Length of right hind foot, 13.8 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 4.6 cm. Body mass (grams), 3000
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), numerous cuts on plastron (7 o'clock)

Turtle number 10 ~~11~~ 12.1
 New ☒ Recovery _____ Repeat _____ Date released 6/11/68. Time released _____
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hog trap. Peach barrels and 2 chicken gizards
 Other Co-operator(s), Wallace Cooley



made width
 Carapace measure meat
 right in front of
 the hind feet.

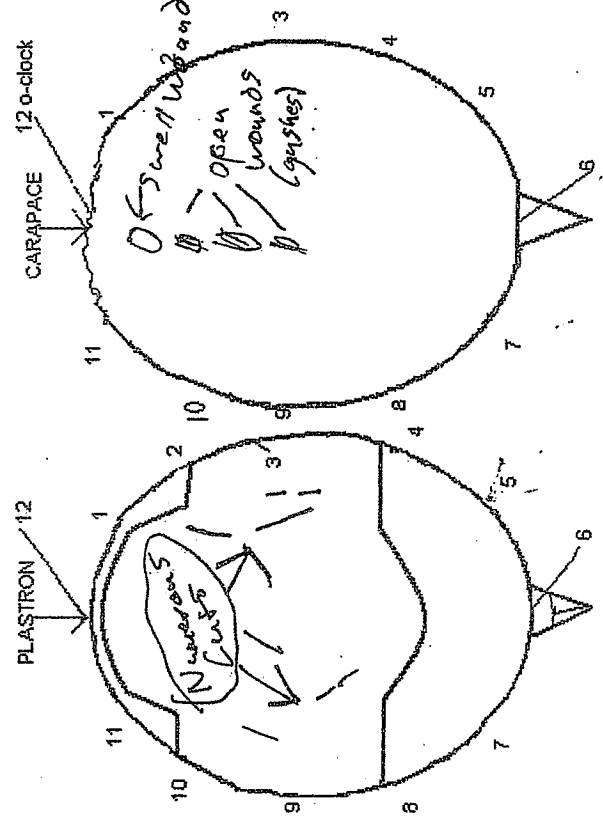


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Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date June 2004 Time caught 1615 Weather Clear to partly cloudy, wind to west.
 Air temp. 71.0°F H₂O temp. 8.7°F Secchi disk .75 m. clear to bottom winds surface temp. 79.0
 Water condition apparently normal - some algae buildup
 Depth of trapping location .75 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ✓
 Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ✓ No Carapace length 35.5 cm. Plastron length 24.2 cm. Carapace width 28.0
 Length of tail 14.3 cm. Width of tail 3.3 cm. Length of right hind foot 19.1 cm.
 Width of right hind foot 5.0 cm. Body mass (grams) 4000.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below). One anterior scull
blow (as shown). 3-4 open wounds showing white flesh on center
carapace.

Turtle number 1.2
 New ✓ Recovery Repeat Date released Time released
 Method(s) Of Capture Loop trap, peach fillets and two chicken biscuits.
 Other Co-operator(s) Depth of Secchi .75 m - depth of water. Wallace Giffey.





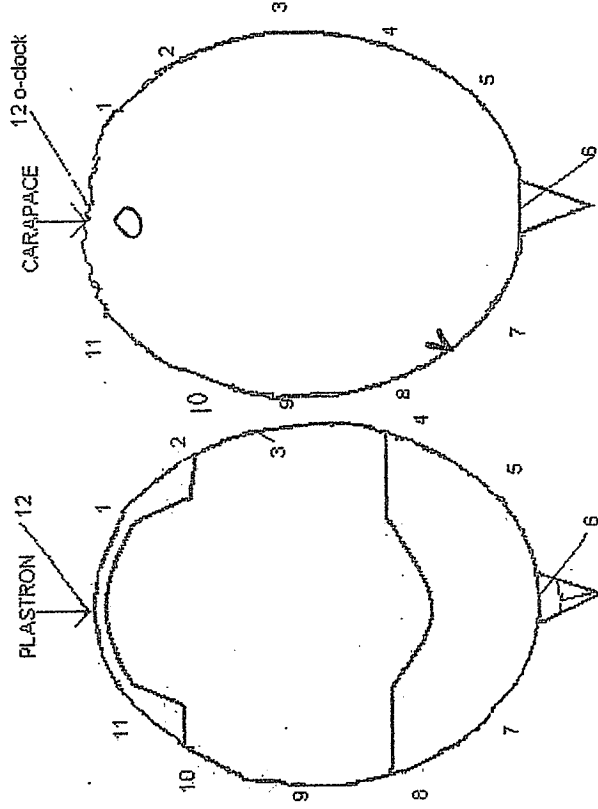
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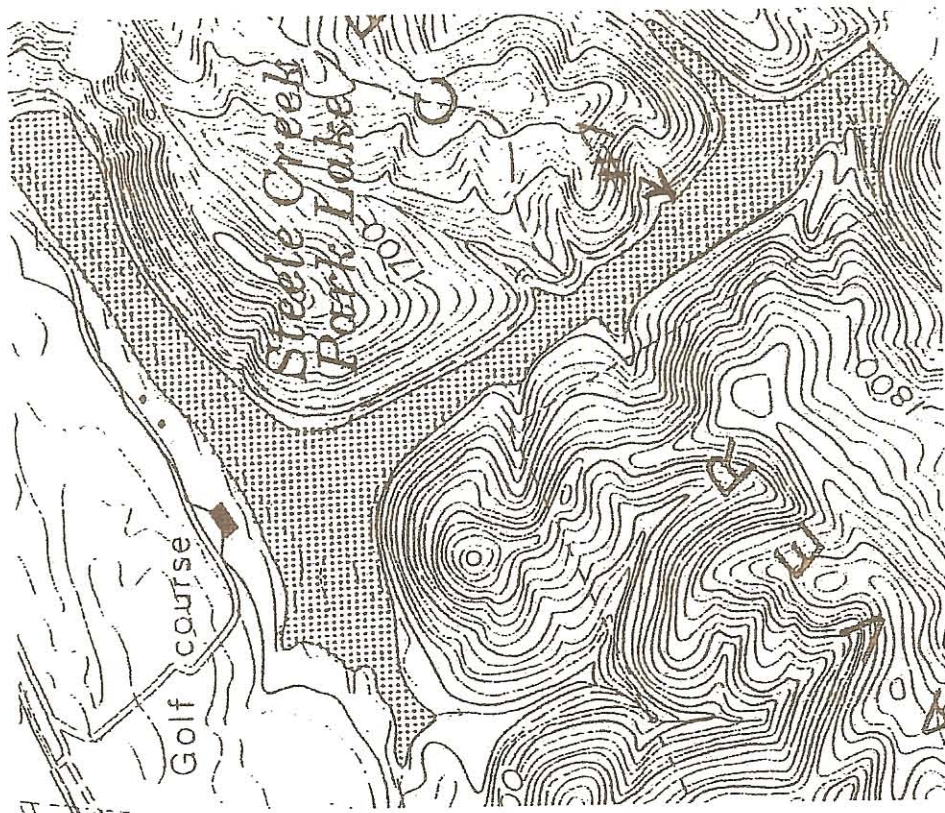


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 6/28/64 Time caught, 1:57 Weather, Overcast, Cool breeze.
 Air temp. 77.2 C. H₂O temp. 8-7.5 Secchi disk 0 m. 700 Station San disk.
 Water condition, Clear / normal
 Depth of trapping location 0.75 m. Male (12.7-16.4 cm) Female (21.7-47.5 cm) ☒
 Juv (3-4 cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6 cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ☒ No Carapace length, 37.5 cm. Plastron length, 26.5 cm. Width 31.55 cm
 Length of tail, 15 cm. Width of tail, 6 cm. Length of right hind foot, 2.0 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 7 cm. Body mass (grams), 4500
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below). Swell bulge in
anterior vertebral 7:30 cut (very small) on Carapace.

Turtle number 7.1
 New ☒ Recovery Repeat Date released 6/28/64 Time released 2:40
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, Ocean perch and Chicken Gizzards
 Other Co-operator(s), Covey Brown

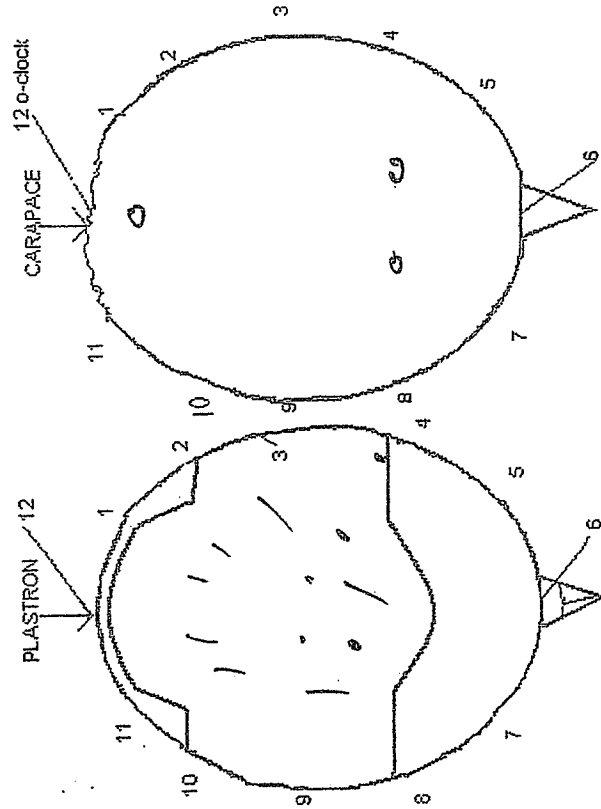


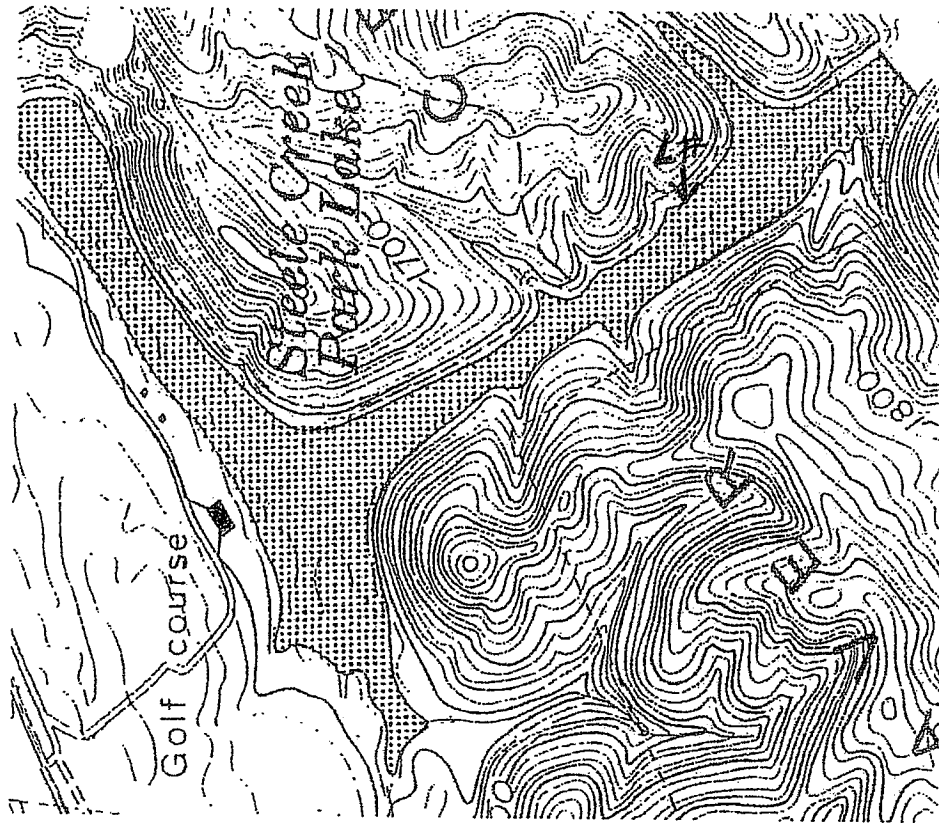


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/6/04 Time caught, 4:30 Weather, Clear / Sunny S/O Cloud Cover
 Air temp. 90 C. H₂O temp. 81.5 C. Secchi disk None m.
 Water condition, 0xygen 44% normal
 Depth of trapping location 0.75 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☒
 Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes No . Carapace length, 28.3 cm. Plastron length, 19.2 cm.
 Length of tail, 11.9 cm. Width of tail, 4 cm. Length of right hind foot, 14.2 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 4.5 cm. Body mass (grams), 1750
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below),
Numerous cuts on Plastron. Swell on Carapace
Vertebral, Anterior and Posterior

Turtle number 7.2
 New ☒ . Recovery Repeat Date released 7/6/04 Time released
 Method(s) Of Capture Hoop trap. Peach, Gizzards
 Other Co-operator(s), Dobey B. Brown





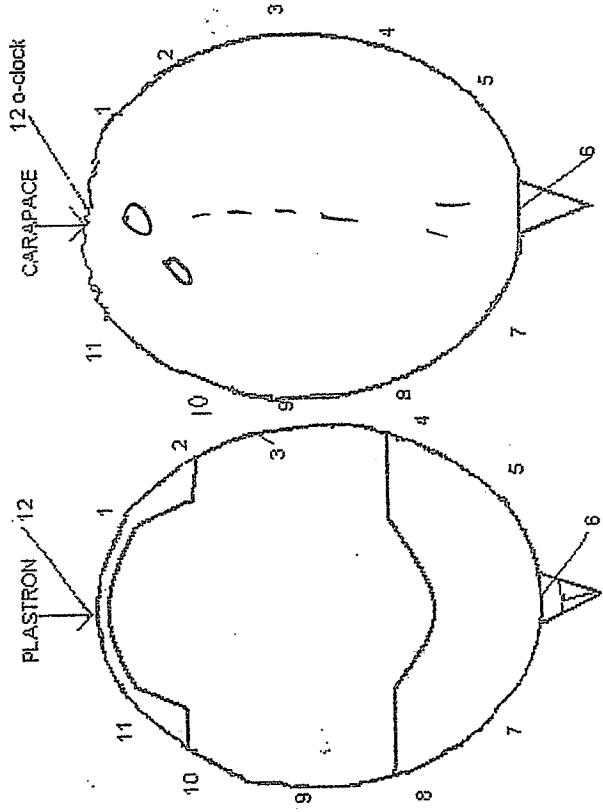
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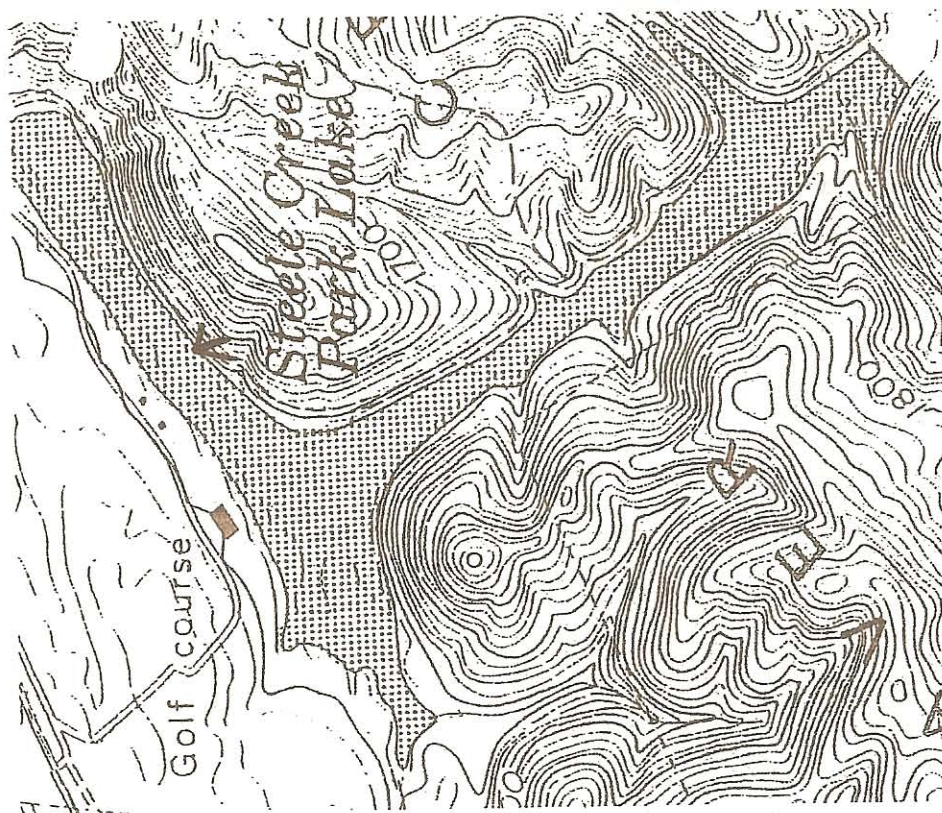
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Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/19/64 Time caught, 13:45 Weather, Cloudy / 5% Clear, No Strong Sea
 Air temp. 89.5 C. H₂O temp. 87.7 C. Secchi disk none m. = water too shallow for reading.
 Water condition, apparently clearer than normal.
 Depth of trapping location 0.72 m. Male (12.7-16.4 cm) Female (21.7-47.5 cm) ✓
 Juv (3-4 cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6 cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ✓ No . Carapace length, 35.9 cm. Plastron length, 23.6 cm. Cargase width = 27.55
 Length of tail, 13.5 cm. Width of tail, 4.5 cm. Length of right hind foot, 14 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 6 cm. Body mass (grams), 3250.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), Gash in anterior
pleural region anterior ventral swell

Turtle number 3.1
 New ✓ Recovery . Repeat Date released 7/19/64 Time released 3:00 pm
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, Ocean Beach #111111, 2 Chisaca Gizzards
 Other Co-operator(s), Coley Brown

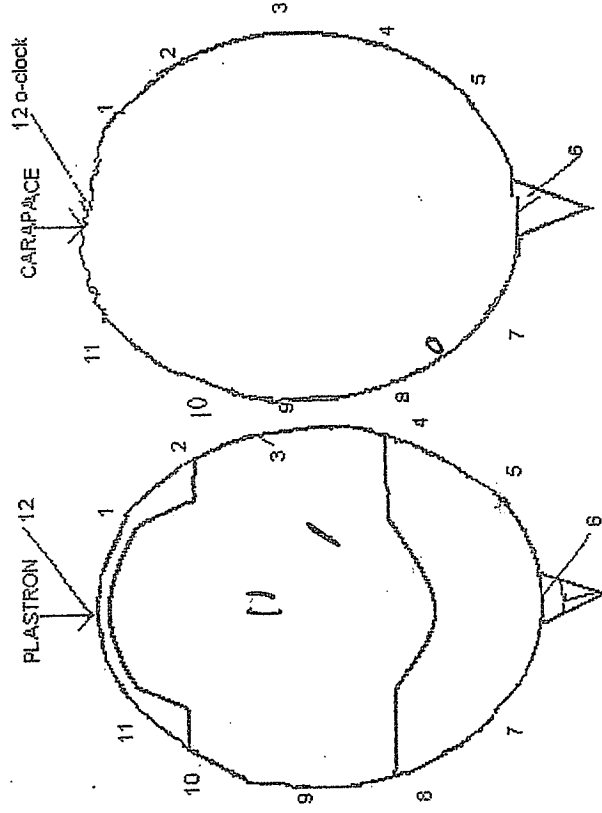


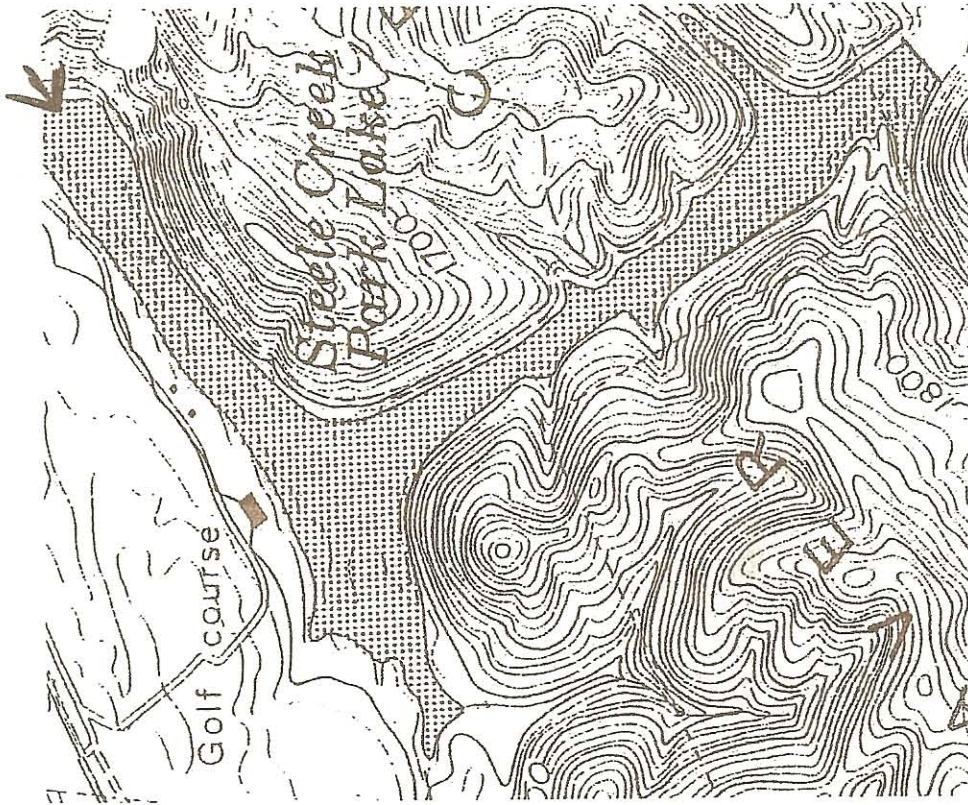


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/12/64 Time caught, 15:20 Weather, Clear/Sunny, 89° Cloud cover, Breezy
Air temp. 94.5 C. H₂O temp. 8.24 C. Secchi disk .75 m.
Water condition, Algae in forested water.
Depth of trapping location .75 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ✓
Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
Blotches present; Yes ✓ No ✓ Carapace length, 34.9 cm. Plastron length, 23.7 cm. Carapace width = 28.1
Length of tail, 14.2 cm. Width of tail, 4 cm. Length of right hind foot, 18.8 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 6.2 cm. Body mass (grams), 3750
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 7:30 Scar on
Carapacial Margin. Numerous Cuts on plastron. ~~Heart~~ lower
Tail damaged by moss.

Turtle number ~~14~~ 14. Repeat 7/19/64 Time released
New ✓ Recovery
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 1 perch 8 pellets. 2 chicken biscuits
Other Co-operator(s), Corey Brown

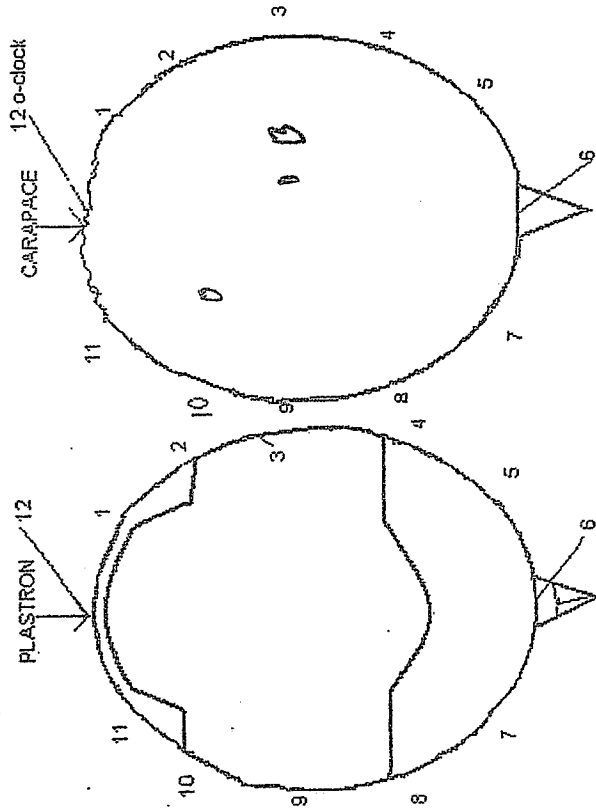


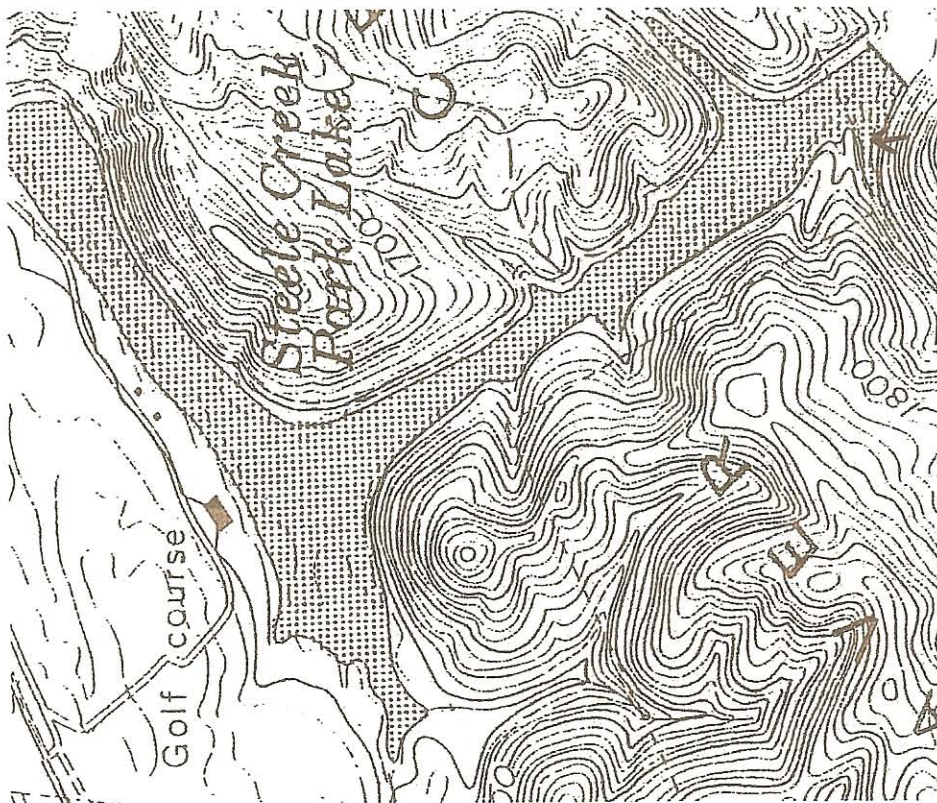


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/19/04 Time caught, 16:40 Weather, Clear / partly cloudy, sprinkles var.
 Air temp. 24.1 C. H₂O temp. 22.3 C. Secchi disk 1.5 m.
 Water condition, Appearance normal
 Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ✓
 Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ✓ No ✓ Carapace length, 29.15 cm. Plastron length, 20.1 cm. Carapace width = 29.5
 Length of tail, 12 cm. Width of tail, 4.5 cm. Length of right hind foot, 16 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 5 cm. Body mass (grams), 2250
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 2 light scars on
Vista mid plastral.

Turtle number 101
 New ✓ Recovery ✓ Repeat ✓ Date released 7/19/04 Time released 5:00
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 1 peach pitlet, 2 chicken Gizzards
 Other Co-operator(s), Coley Brown



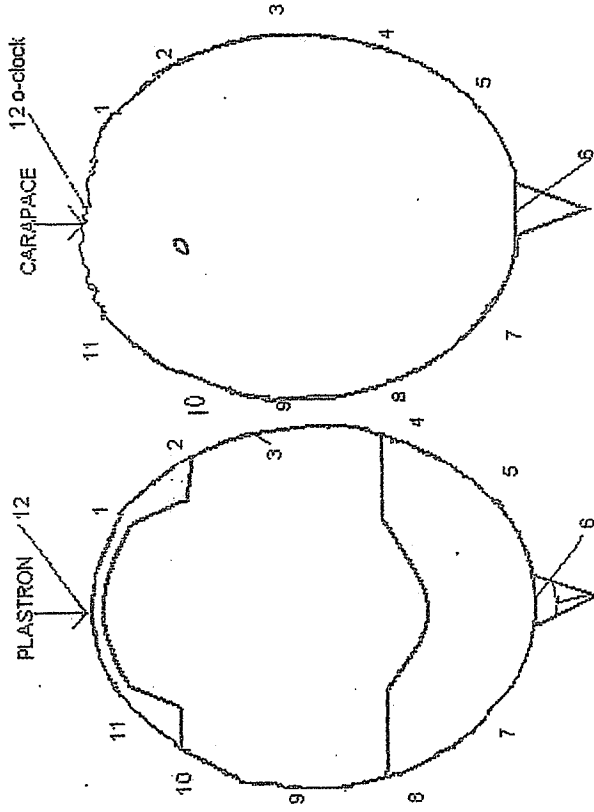


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/26/64 Time caught, 18:25 Weather, Partly Cloudy/Clear
Air temp. 80.1 C. H₂O temp. 5.7 C. Secchi disk 1.25 m.
Water condition, Apparently normal
Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) ☒ Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☐
Juv(3-4cm) ☐ Unknown(16.5-21.6cm) ☐ HY ☐ H ☐ SY ☐ Local ☐
Blotches present; Yes ☐ No ☒ Carapace length, 15.5 cm. Plastron length, 10.05 cm. Carapace width = 14.2
Length of tail, 7.2 cm. Width of tail, 2.9 cm. Length of right hind foot, 8.9 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 3.0 cm. Body mass (grams), 500.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), one small puncture scar
on left anterior ventral.

Turtle number 11.1

New ☒ Recovery ☐ Repeat ☐ Date released 7/26/64 Time released ☐
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. one Perch fillet, 2 Chicken Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Corey Brown

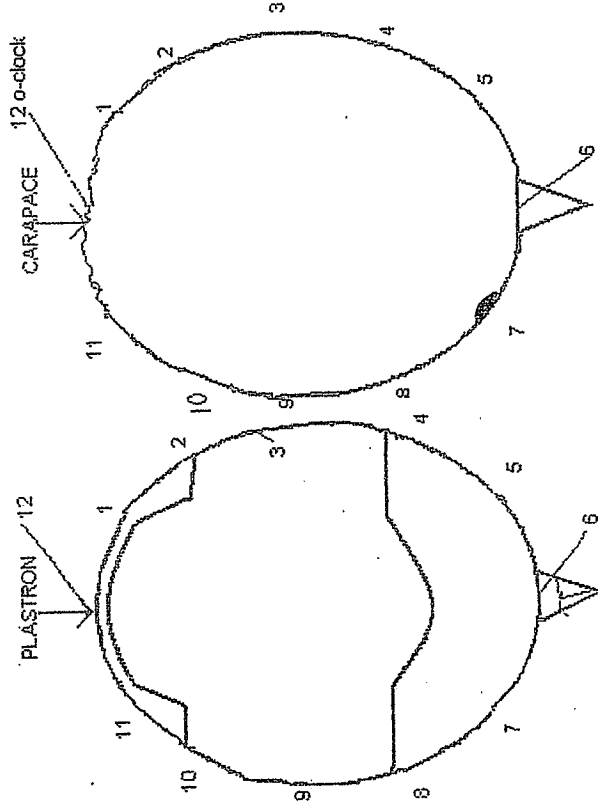


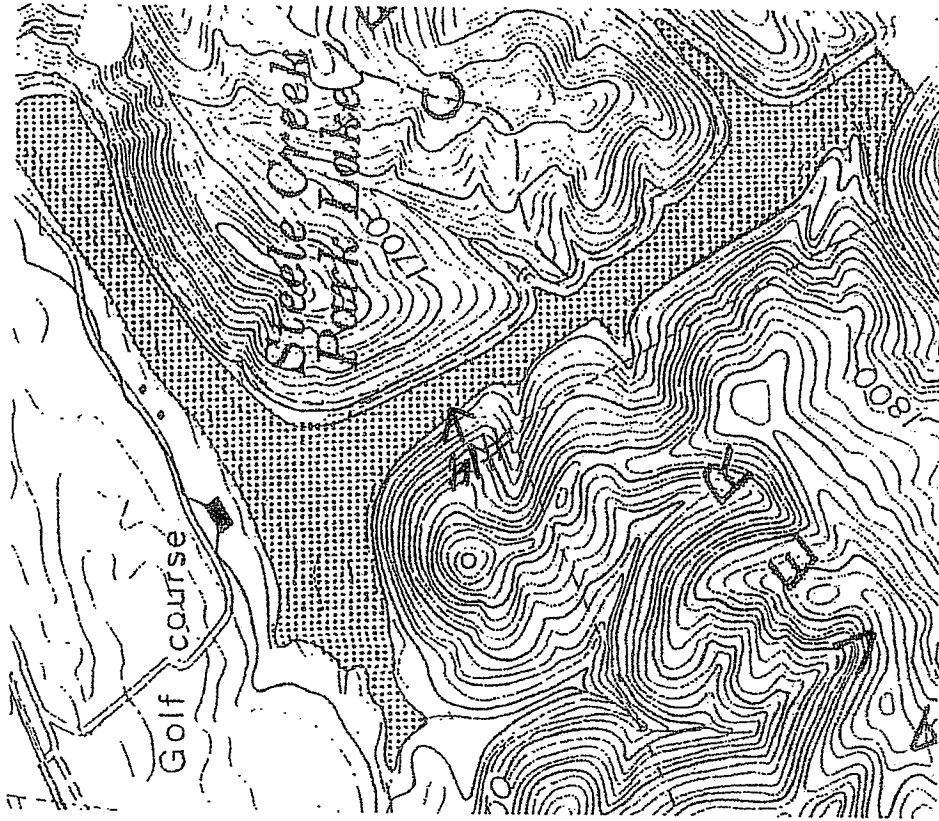


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/31/04 Time caught, 18:30 Weather, cloudy
Air temp. 78.7 C. H₂O temp. 21.5 Secchi disk None m. = too clear
Water condition, Appearance Normal
Depth of trapping location 0.75 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ✓
Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
Blotches present; Yes ✓ No Carapace length, 27.9 cm. Plastron length, 18.5 cm. Width of Carapace = 22.8
Length of tail, 9 cm. Width of tail, 3 cm. Length of right hind foot, 16.0 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 5 cm. Body mass (grams), 2000
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 7:00 indentation on
Carapacial Margin.

Turtle number 14.1
New ✓ Recovery Repeat Date released 7/31/04 Time released 19:20
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 2 perch fillets, no gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore





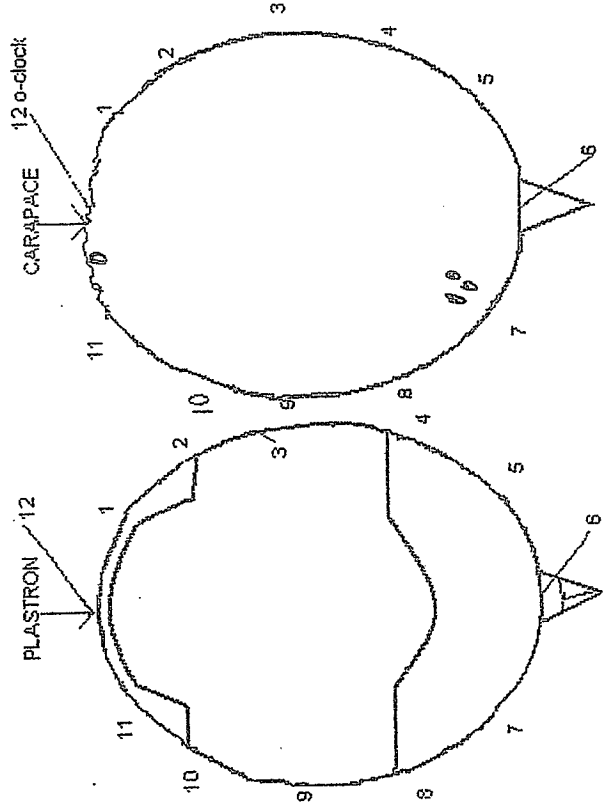
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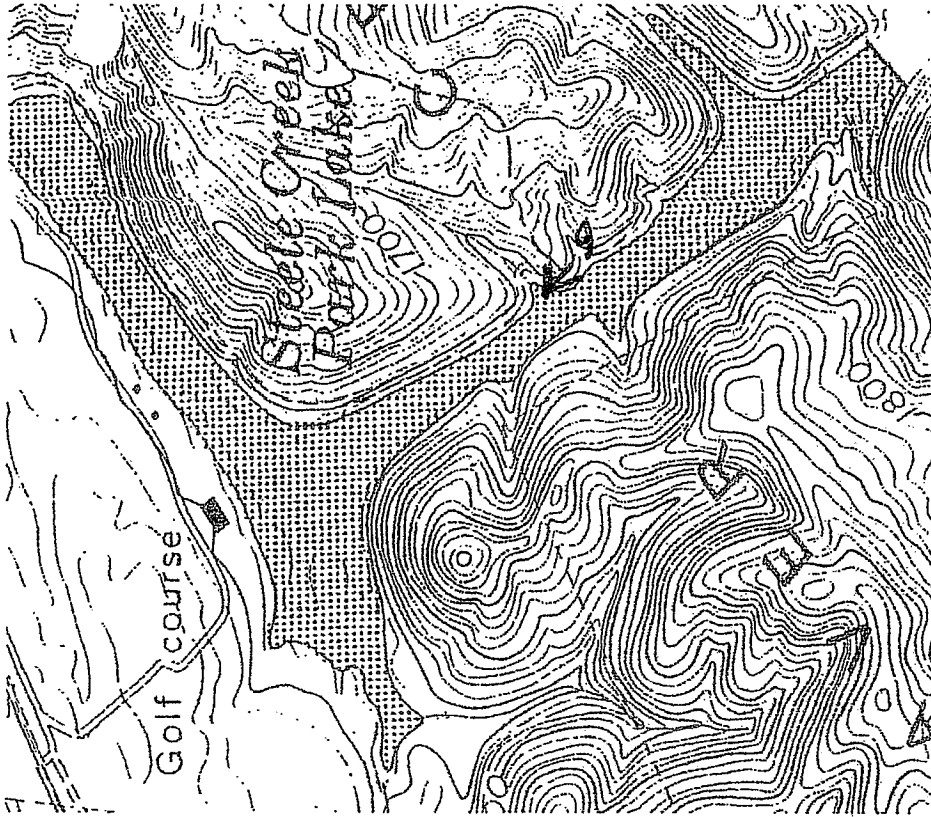
Date, 7/3/64 Time caught, 19:05 Weather, Cloudy
 Air temp. 79.6 C. H₂O temp. 5.7 C. Secchi disk X m. too clear.
 Water condition, Apparently Normal
 Depth of trapping location 0.75 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) ☒ Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☐
 Juv (3-4cm) ☐ Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) ☐ HY ☐ H ☐ SY ☐ Local ☐
 Blotches present; Yes ☐ No ☒ Carapace length, 14.9 cm. Plastron length, 9.8 cm. Carapace width = 13.5
 Length of tail, 6.8 cm. Width of tail, 3 cm. Length of right hind foot, 2.0 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 2.5 cm. Body mass (grams), 500.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), Scar on 11:30
Carapacial margin, Scar on 6:30 Carapacial margin.

Turtle number 6.1
 New ☒ Recovery ☐ Repeat ☐ Date released 7/3/64 Time released ☐
 Method(s) Of Capture Hog trap. 2 Perch Baiters. No gizzards
 Other Co-operator(s) Justin Moore.



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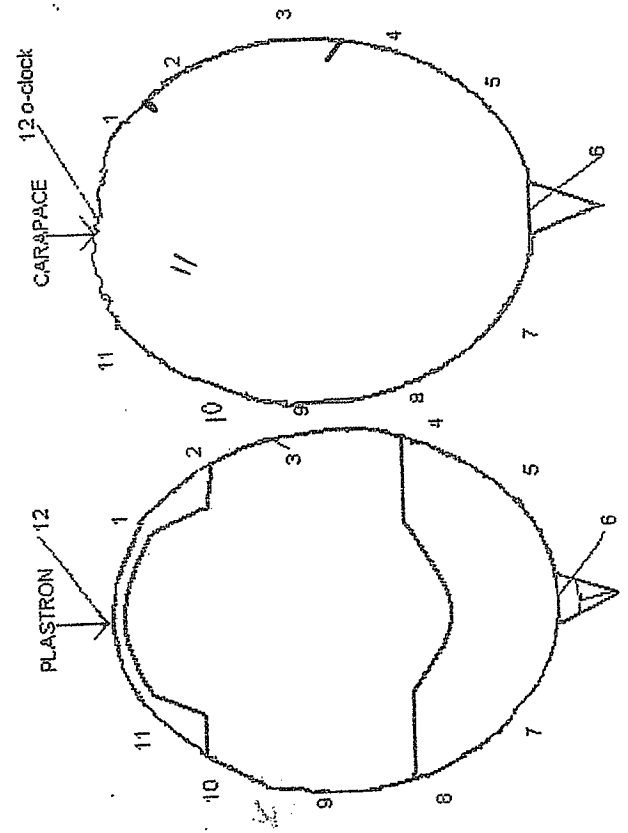
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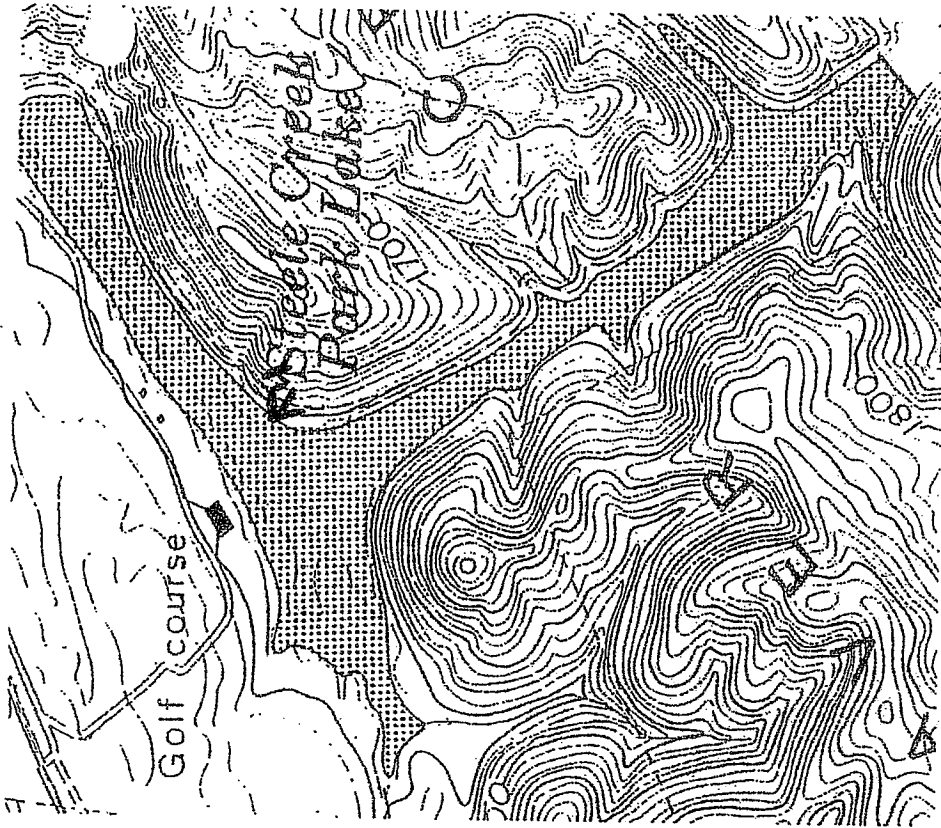


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 8/11/64 Time caught, 1340 Weather, Sunny, Partly Cloudy
 Air temp. 82.6 C. H₂O temp. 27.4 C. Secchi disk 1.25 m.
 Water condition, Apparently Normal
 Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ✓
 Juv(3-4cm) Unknown(16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ✓ No . Carapace length, 23.1 cm. Plastron length, 15.4 cm. Carapace width 19.2
 Length of tail, 7.05 cm. Width of tail, 2.07 cm. Length of right hind foot, 12.5 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 3.7 cm. Body mass (grams), 1250.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 1:30 scar on Carapace
margin. 2 irregular parallel lines on left anterior Ventrals. 320 scar.

Turtle number 4.1
 New ✓ Recovery . Repeat Date released 8/11/64 Time released 1409
 Method(s) Of Capture Hoop Trap. 2 Chicken Gizzards, one perch.
 Other Co-operator(s), Wallace Coffey, Tom Laughlin



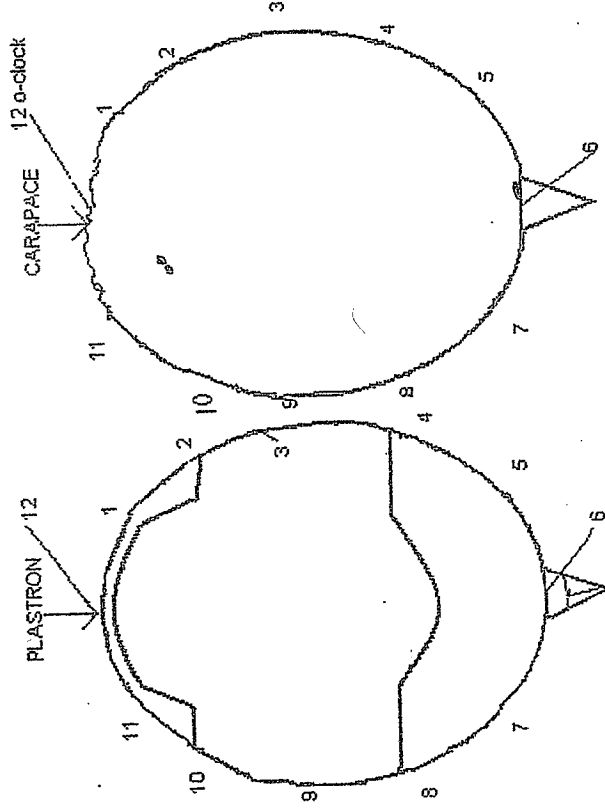


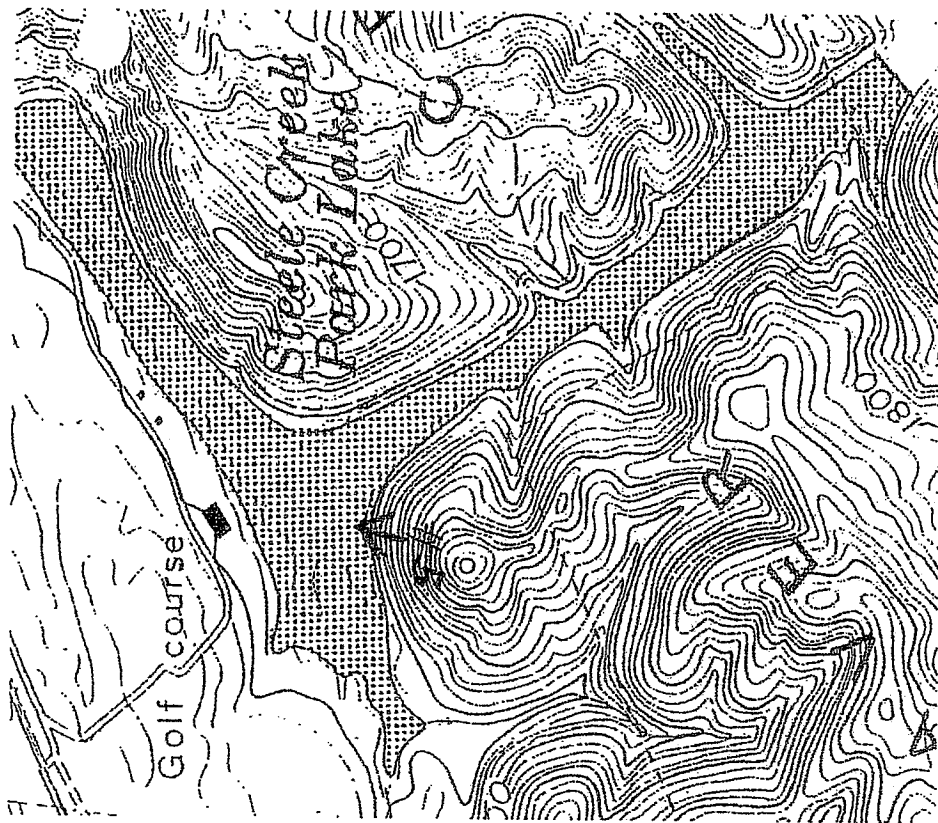
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In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 8/14/64 Time caught, 14:56 Weather, Sunny 15°C cloud cover
Air temp. 76.1 C. H₂O temp. 22.0 C. Secchi disk 1.2-5 m.
Water condition, apparently normal
Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) V
Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
Blotches present; Yes V No . Carapace length, 20.2 cm. Plastron length, 13.2 cm. Carapace width 17.3
Length of tail, 5.9 cm. Width of tail, 2.0 cm. Length of right hind foot, 10.06 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 3.5 cm. Body mass (grams), 700.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 2 small scars on left anterior ventral to right pleural. 6.00 indentation in carapacial margin on

Turtle number 15.1
New V Recovery . Repeat Date released 8/14/64 Time released 1522.
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. one person fished - Two Chicken Grids.
Other Co-operator(s), Lorey Brown

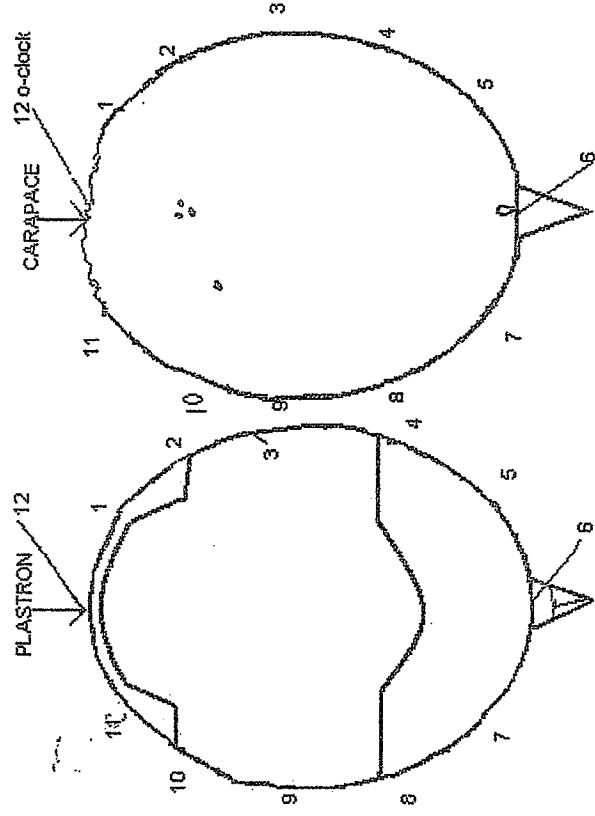


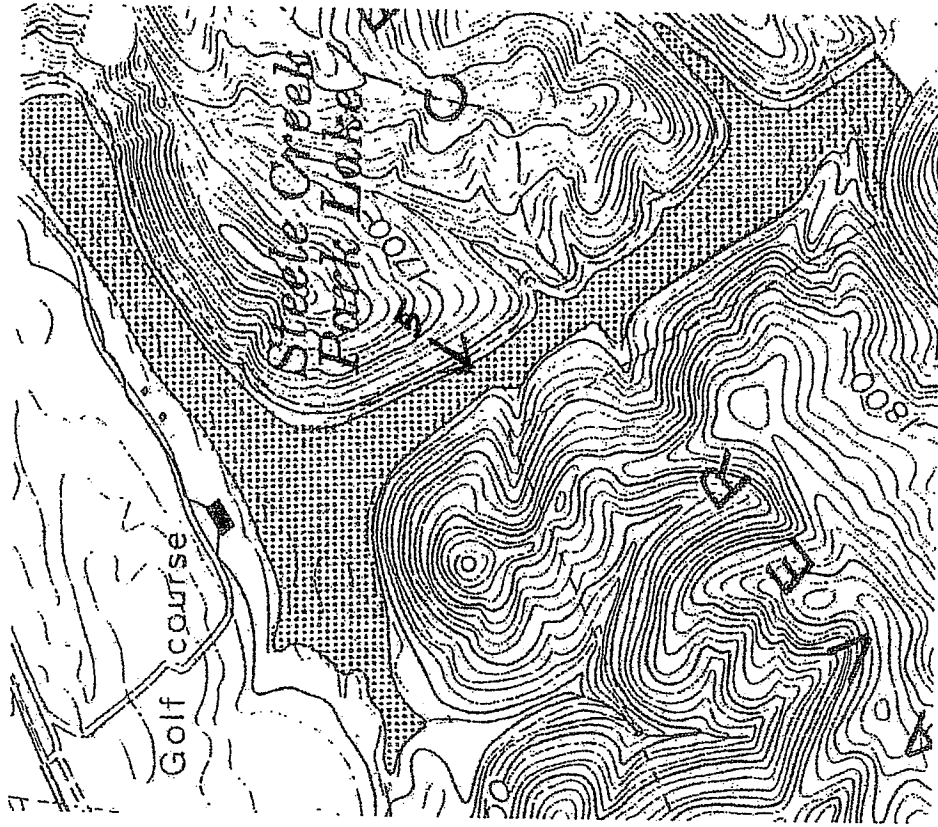


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Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 8/19/64 Time caught, 1255 Weather, Sunny 5% Cloud Cover
 Air temp. 83 C. H₂O temp. 83.6 C. Secchi disk X m. 200 clear
 Water condition, Apparently normal
 Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) ☒ Female (21.7-47.5cm)
 Juv (3-4cm) ☒ Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes No ☒ Carapace length, 13.9 cm. Plastron length, 8.9 cm. Carapace width, 11.9
 Length of tail, 6 cm. Width of tail, 2 cm. Length of right hind foot, 7 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 2 cm. Body mass (grams), 353.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 3 small sphere like
scars on mid ventrals, one on mid pleural, 6:00 scar on
Carapacial Marginal.
 Turtle number 5.1
 New ☒ Recovery Repeat Date released 8/19/64 Time released 1344.
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap - one perch filled, 2 boards
 Other Co-operator(s), None





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Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

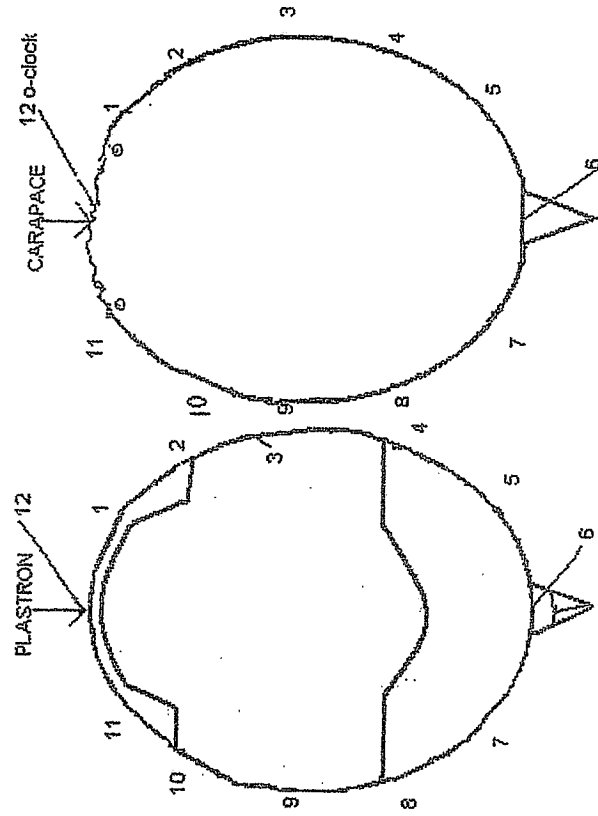
Date, 4/11/64 Time caught, 1505 Weather, Sunny, SFB Cloud cover
 Air temp. 83 C. H₂O temp. 87.5 C. Secchi disk 1 m. too clear
 Water condition, Apparently Drier because of excessive Rain
 Depth of trapping location 0.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) ☒ Female (21.7-47.5cm)
 Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes No ☒ Carapace length, 15 cm. Plastron length, 10 cm. Carapace width = 13.5
 Length of tail, 6.8 cm. Width of tail, 2.4 cm. Length of right hind foot, 8.4 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 3.0 cm. Body mass (grams), 300.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 12:45 scar on
11:00 scars on Carapace

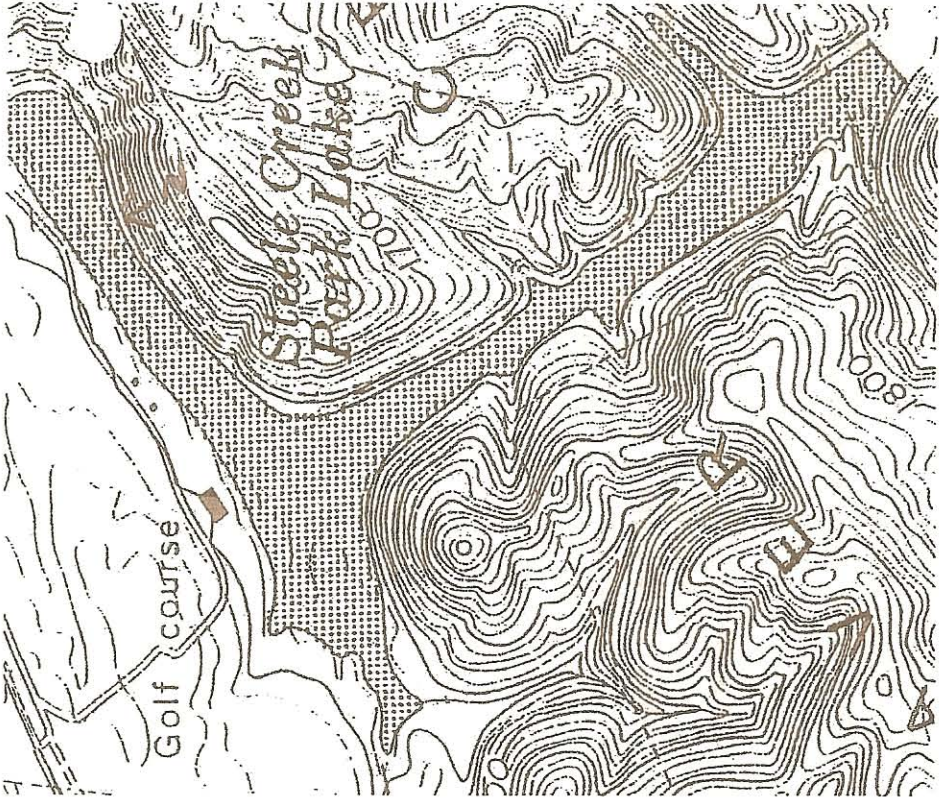
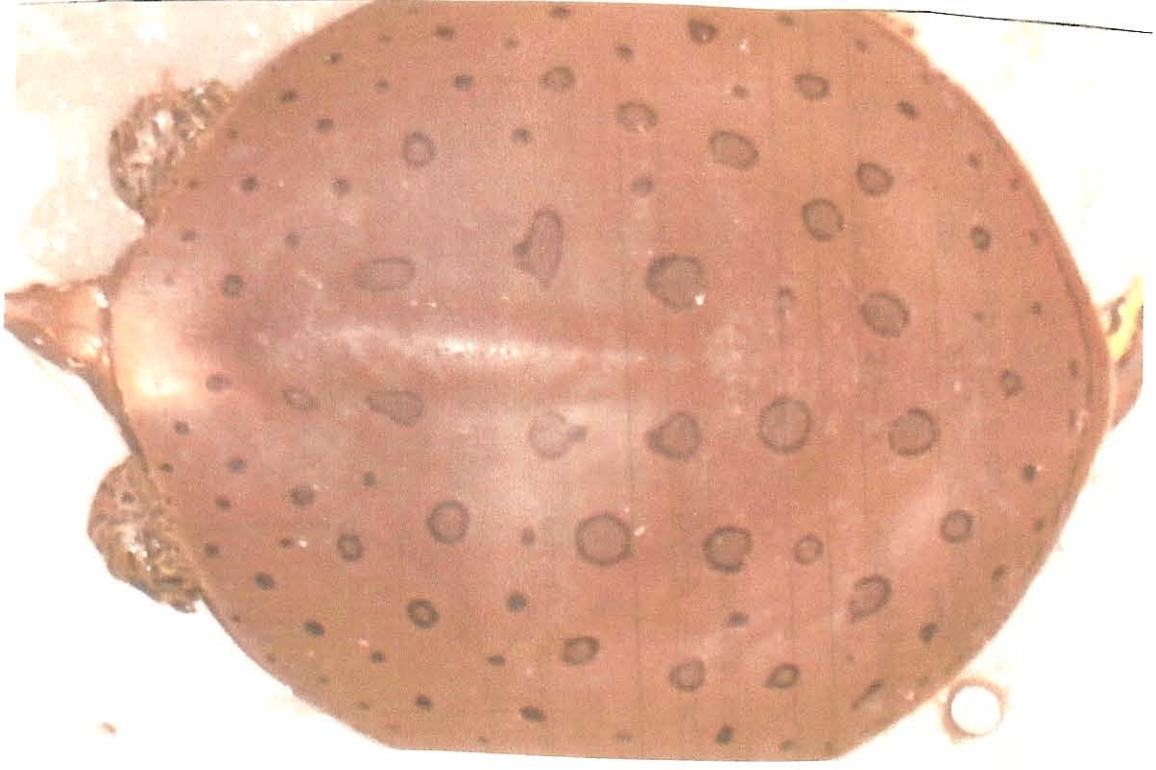
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New ☒ Recovery Repeat Date released 7/1/64 Time released

Method(s) Of Capture Hoop trap. One Pouch filled w 2 Bizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Kevin Elam



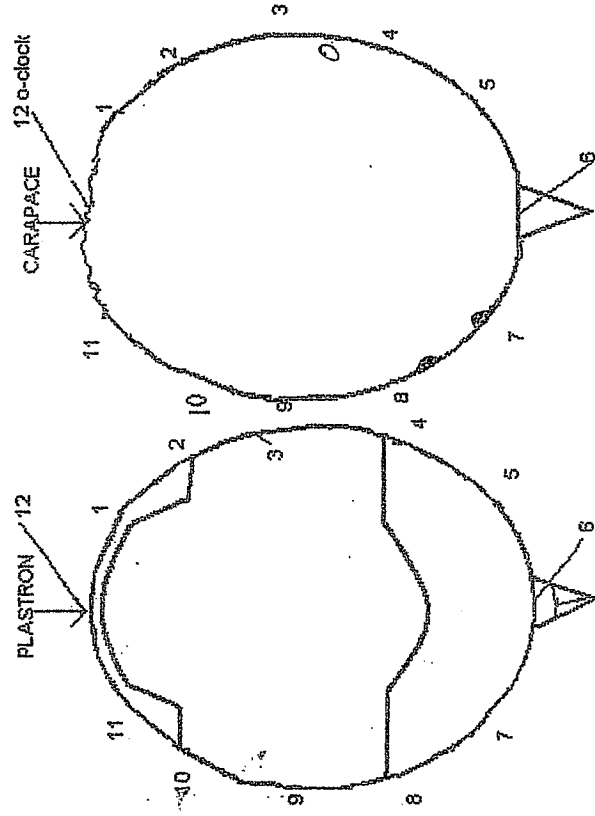


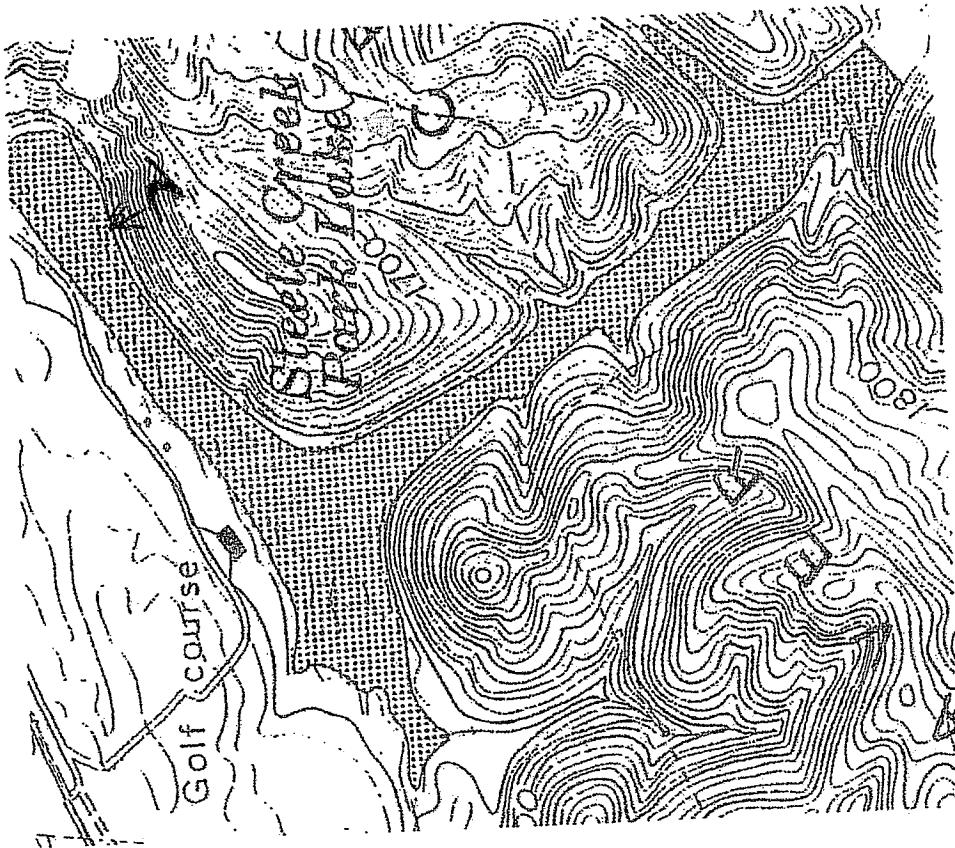
Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 4/11/64 Time caught, 1:50 Weather, Sunny, 5% cloud cover
 Air temp. 83 C. H₂O temp. 37.7 Secchi disk 1 m. 400 Secchi disk
 Water condition, Apparently darker because of excessive debris
 Depth of trapping location 0.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4 cm) ☒ Female (21.7-47.5 cm)
 Juv (3-4 cm) ☐ Unknown (16.5-21.6 cm) ☐ HY ☐ H ☐ SY ☐ Local ☐
 Blotches present; Yes ☐ No ☒ Carapace length, 15.6 cm. Plastron length, 10.0 cm. Carapace width = 13.7
 Length of tail, 7 cm. Width of tail, 2.5 cm. Length of right hind foot, 8.9 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 3.1 cm. Body mass (grams), 290.
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 3:30 Scar on Carapace
margin, 7:00 indentation in Carapace 7:30 indentation on shell

Turtle number 2.1

New ☒ Recovery ☐ Repeat 4/11/64 Time released 1544.
 Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 1 pinch sniffer & 2 Sizzeads
 Other Co-operator(s), Kevin Elam





Appendix E
Apalone spinifera Data Repeat Sheets

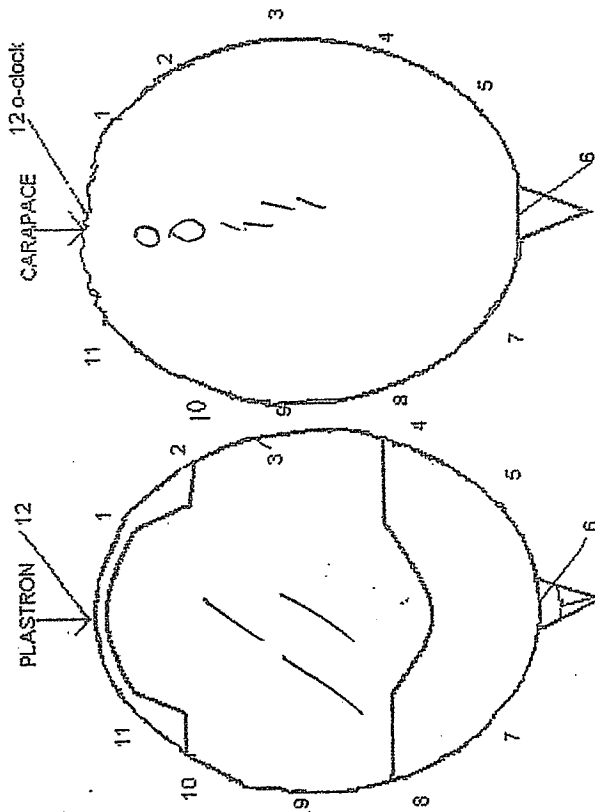
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In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

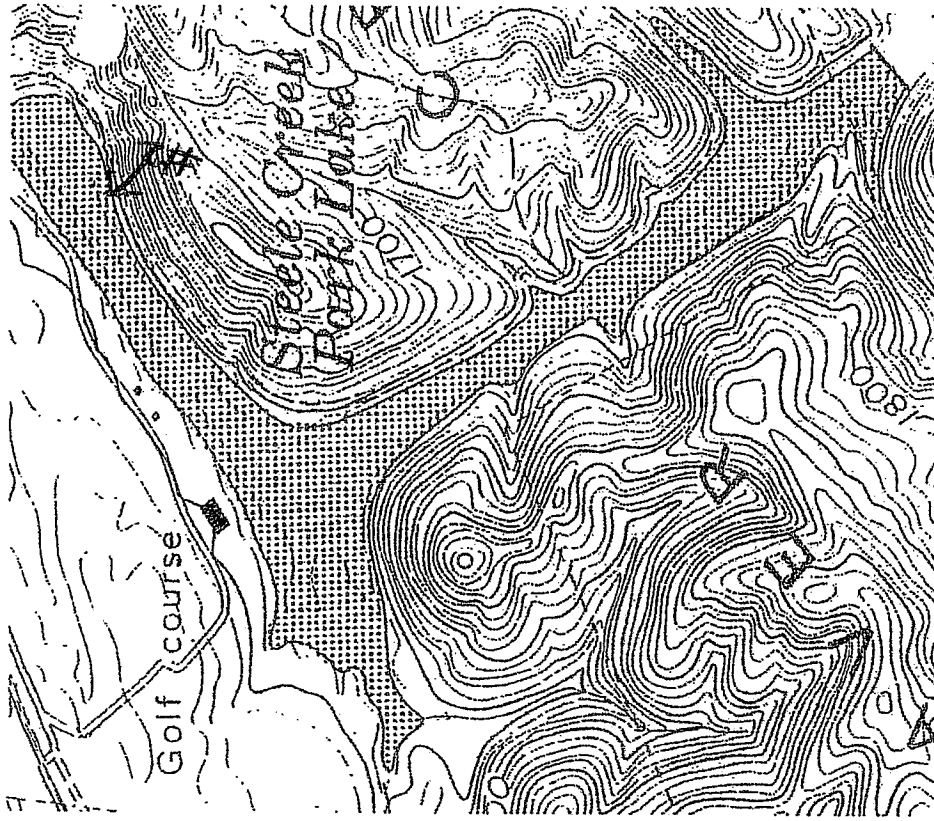
Date, 6/26/64 Time caught, 3:40p Weather, Cloudy / Sunny 40%
Air temp. 82.3 C. H₂O temp. 82.3 Secchi disk one m.
Water condition, Clear / Normal / Murky
Depth of trapping location, 25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☒
Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local ☒
Blotches present; Yes ☒ No ☐ Carapace length, 35.5 cm. Plastron length, 11 cm.
Length of tail, 11 cm. Width of tail, 11 cm. Length of right hind foot, 11 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 11 cm. Body mass (grams), 4000
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), Numerous
Cuts down Center Vertebral. one small wound on Anus.

Vertebral

Turtle number 1.2

New Recovery. Repeat ☒ Date released 6/26/64 Time released 3:45
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 2 Ocean Percu Gillnets / Chicken G. E. E. E.
Other Co-operator(s), Karen O'Brien





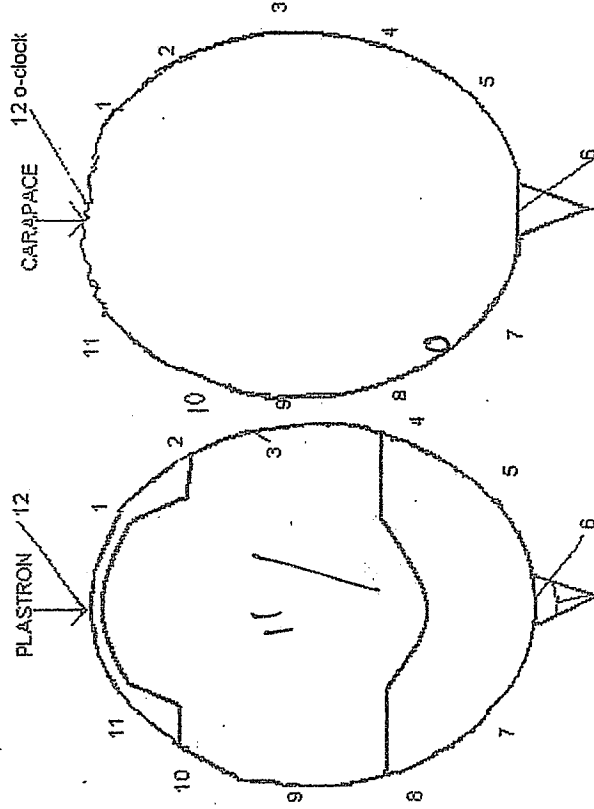
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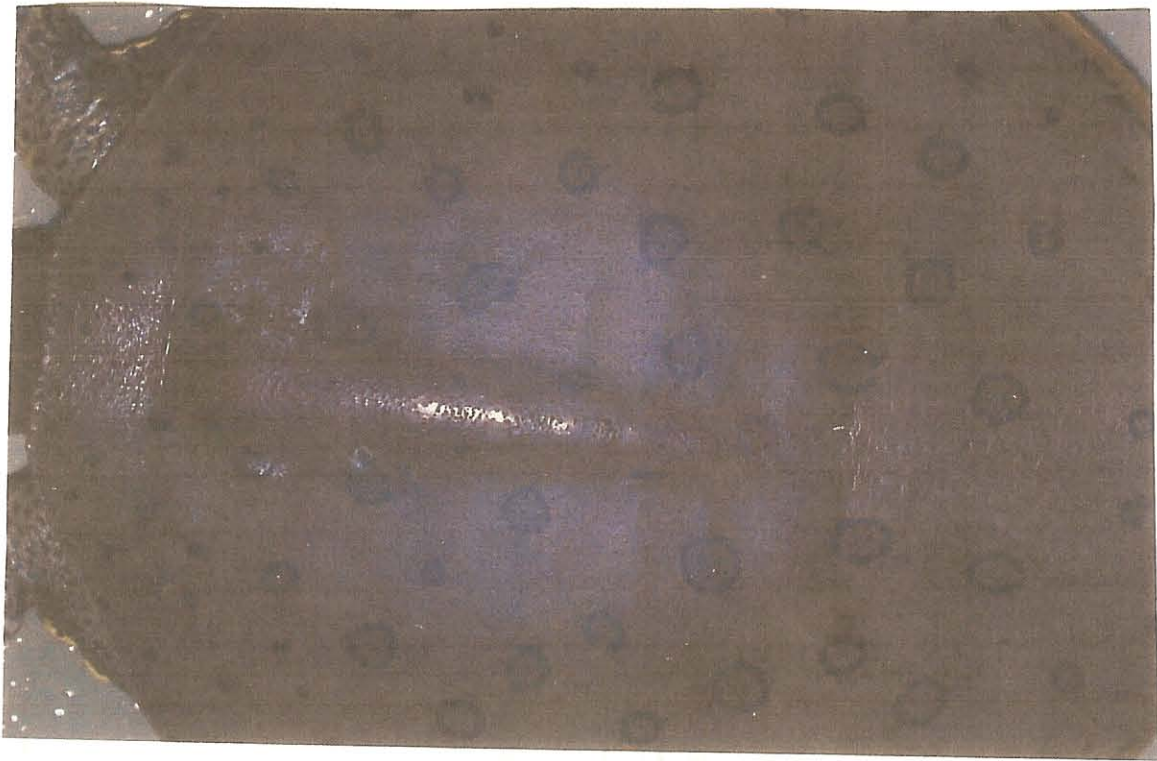
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In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 7/26/69 Time caught, 4:40 Weather, Partly Cloudy / Clear
Air temp. 80.3 C. H₂O temp. 38.2 C. Secchi disk None M. = too shallow for reading
Water condition, Apparently Normal
Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ✓
Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
Blotches present; Yes ✓ No . Carapace length, 34.9 cm. Plastron length, 23.7 cm. Carapace width = 28.2
Length of tail, 14.2 cm. Width of tail, 4 cm. Length of right hind foot, 18.8 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 6.2 cm. Body mass (grams), 3500
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), Small Scar on 7:30
Carapacial marginals Deformed left bottom Jaw

Turtle number 1.4

New . Recovery . Repeat ✓ Date released 7/26/69 Time released .
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, one Perch Bait and 2 Grasshops.
Other Co-operator(s), Coley Brown

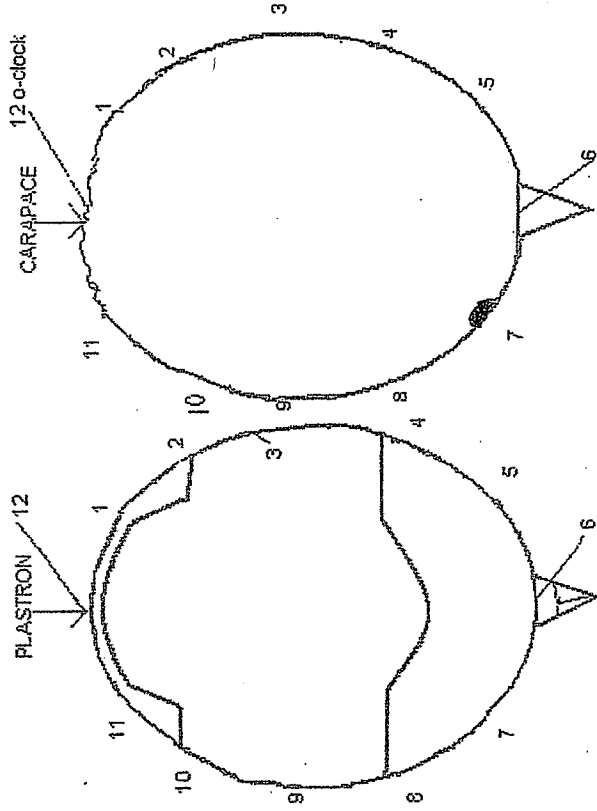


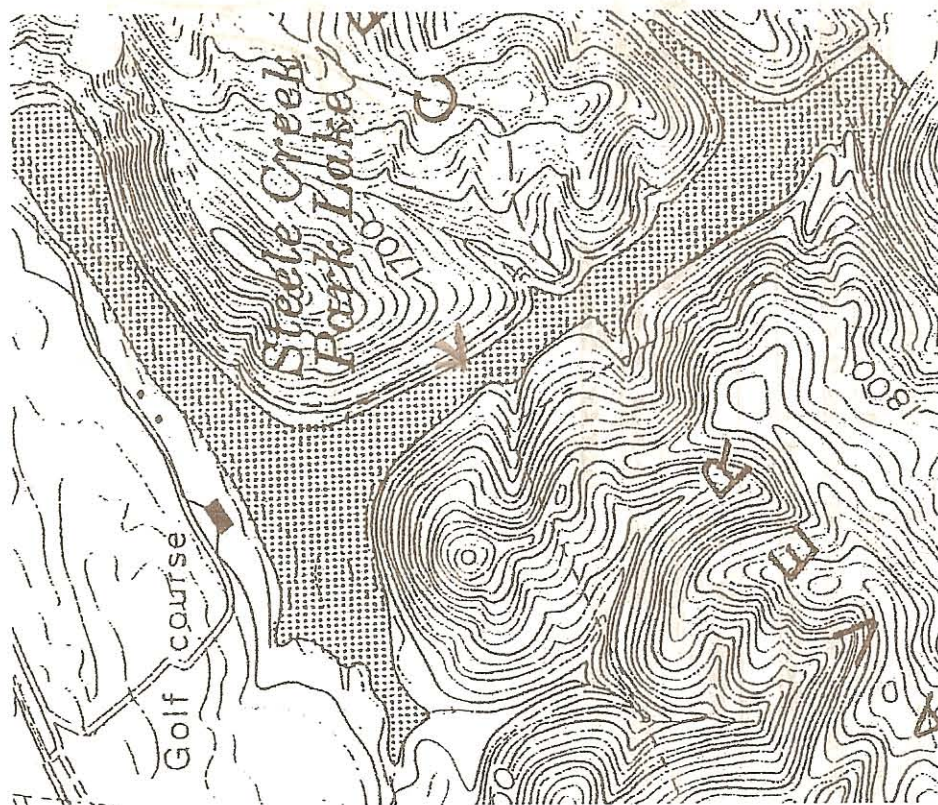


Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 8/11/64 Time caught, 1730 Weather, Clear / Sunny, 10% Cloud Cover
Air temp. 85.4 C. H₂O temp. 82.7 C. Secchi disk 1.25 m.
Water condition, Apparently normal
Depth of trapping location 1.25 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☒
Juv(3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY H SY Local
Blotches present; Yes ☒ No . Carapace length, 28.0 cm. Plastron length, 18.8 cm. Carapace width = 23.9
Length of tail, 9.0 cm. Width of tail, 3.5 cm. Length of right hind foot, 15.0 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 6 cm. Body mass (grams), 2000.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), 7:00 indentation on
Carapacial margin.

Turtle number 14.1
New . Recovery . Repeat ☒ Date released 8/11/64. Time released 1750.
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 2 Gizzards, 1 perch.
Other Co-operator(s), Garley Brown



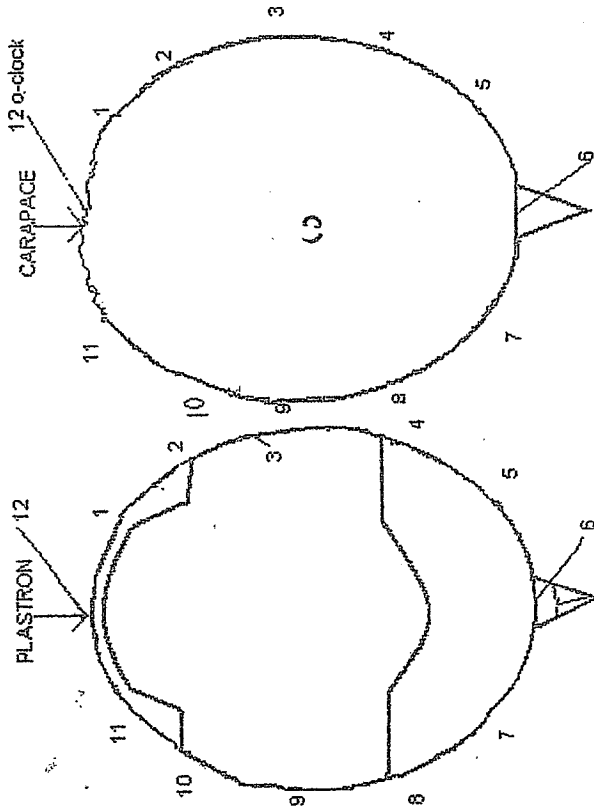


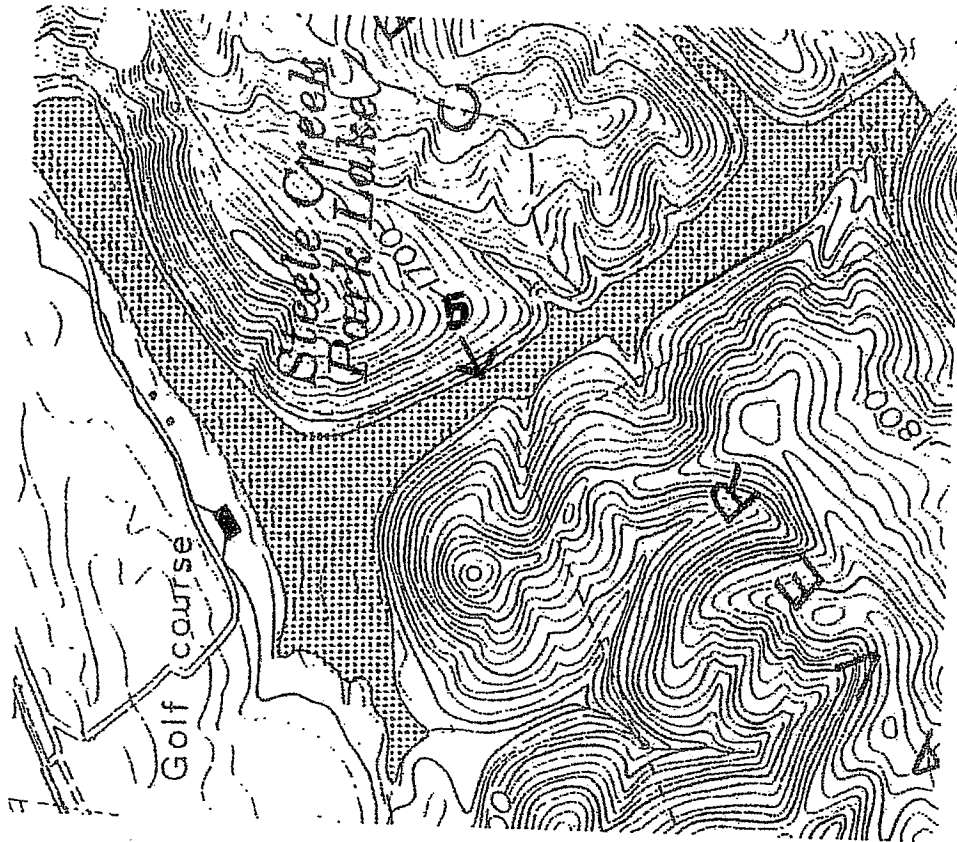
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In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 8/11/09 Time caught, 1430 Weather, Clear / Sunny, 15% Cloud cover
Air temp. 94.5 C. H₂O temp. 8.73 C. Secchi disk 1.28 m.
Water condition, Appearance Normal Conductivity
Depth of trapping location 12.5 m. Male (12.7-16.4cm) Female (21.7-47.5cm) ☒
Juv (3-4cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6cm) HY ☐ H ☐ SY ☐ Local ☐
Blotches present; Yes ☒ No ☐ Carapace length, 35.4 cm. Plastron length, 24.0 cm. Carapace width = 27.8
Length of tail, 19 cm. Width of tail, 6 cm. Length of right hind foot, 21 cm.
Width of right hind foot, 6.5 cm. Body mass (grams), 4000
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), lower Jaw deformed
from Hook

Turtle number 1.4
New ☐ Recovery ☒ Repeat ☒ Date released 8/11/09 Time released
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap - 2 Chicken Gizzards 1 Peach Slicer
Other Co-operator(s), Wallace Casey, Tom Langrish



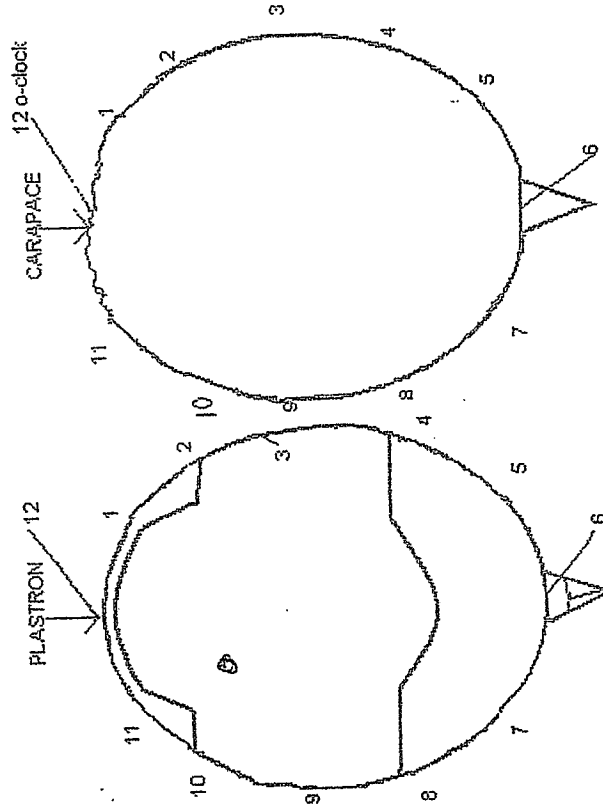


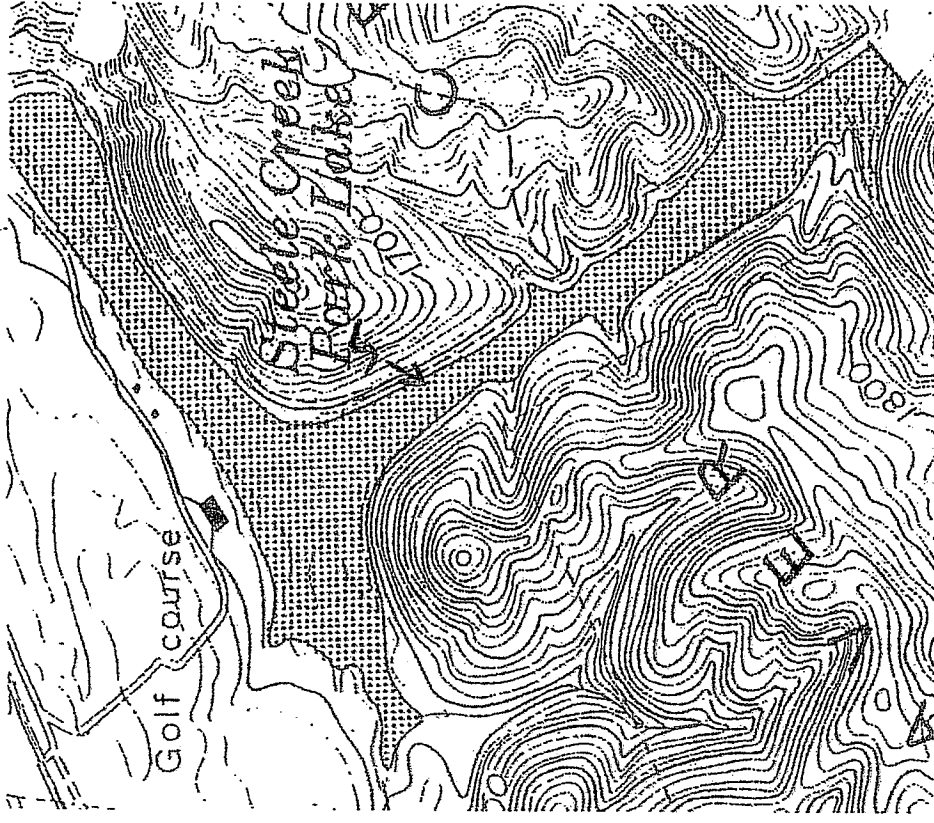
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Research Field Paper for Apalone Spinifera Spinifera
In Steele Creek Park, Bristol, Tennessee

Date, 8/19/64 Time caught, 12:30 Weather, Sunny, 5% Cloud cover
 Air temp. 83 C. H₂O temp. 5-7.2 C. Secchi disk near clear m.
 Water condition, Apparently Normal Lead 1.3 Lead 1.3
 Depth of trapping location 12.5 m. Male (12.7-16.4 cm) Female (21.7-47.5 cm) V
 Juv (3-4 cm) Unknown (16.5-21.6 cm) HY H SY Local
 Blotches present; Yes ✓ No ✓ Carapace length, 29.2 cm. Plastron length, 14.7 cm. Carapace width 24.6
 Length of tail, 12 cm. Width of tail, 4.5 cm. Length of right hind foot, 14.3 cm.
 Width of right hind foot, 5 cm. Body mass (grams), 1850
 Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron (mark below), One indentation in
Plastron area of Plastron

Turtle number 10.1
 New ✓ Recovery ✓ Repeat ✓ Date released 8/19/64 Time released 1331
 Method(s) Of Capture Hoop trap 1 Perch 2 6.25 cc
 Other Co-operator(s) None





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Appendix F
Data Sheets for Other Species

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 7/6/04 Time caught: 4:10 Weather: Clear / Sunny 5% Cloud cover
Water condition: Murky or than normal
Trapping location #: 6 Air temp (F): 90 H2O temp (F): (B): 80.5 (S): 83
Secchie disk (M): None Depth of trapping location (M): 0.75
Male (check): Female: ☒ Juvenile: ☒ Hatchling: Unknown:
Straight carapace length (CM): 11 Straight plastron length: 9.5 Estimated age: 3 yrs,
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Small
scars along plastron, everything else in tact.
Turtle number: 1a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: Recovery:
Date released: 7/6/04 Time released:
Method(s) Of Capture, Pouch / Gizzard
Other Co-operator(s), Corey Brown

Notes: Basking location

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 7/19/04 Time caught: 1:15 pm Weather: Sunny / Clear partly cloudy
Water condition: Algae infested water apparently murky
Trapping location #: 1 Air temp (F): 88 OH2O temp (F): (B): 76.9 (S): 77.6
Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 0.75
Male (check): ☒ Female: Juvenile: ☒ Hatchling: Unknown:
Straight carapace length (CM): 11.7 Straight plastron length: 9.85
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: anterior
pleural scutes domed.

Turtle number: 2a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: Recovery:
Date released: 7/19/04 Time released:
Method(s) Of Capture, Hopg trap, Pouch, G. Zzards
Other Co-operator(s), Corey Brown

Notes: None.

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Common Map Turtle

Date: 7/2/04 Time caught: 5:40 Weather: Clear/Sunny 59° Cloud Cover

Water condition: apparently darker than normal

Trapping location #: 7 Air temp (F): 95.2 H2O temp (F): (B): 77.2 (S): 82.6

Secchie disk (M): None Depth of trapping location (M): 1

Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐

Straight carapace length (CM): 14.05 Straight plastron length: 11.7 Estimated age: 2-3 yrs

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None. Very noticeable

Turtle number: 5d Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐

Date released: 7/21/04 Time released:

Method(s) Of Capture, Hop trap. 1 perch fillet. 2 Chicken Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s),

Notes: None. Made a mistake in marking the turtle, I put a notch in one of the uncounted scutes.

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider

Date: 7/21/04 Time caught: 3:20 Weather: Cloudy, Sunny/Clear.

Water condition: Apparently normal

Trapping location #: 1 Air temp (F): 86.6 H2O temp (F): (B): 78.7 (S): 81.5

Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 0.75

Male (check): ☐ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐ age: 30 yrs.

Straight carapace length (CM): 25.9 Straight plastron length: 21.5

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Carapace

Very Algae Saturated. Plastron dotted with old wounds.

Turtle number: 6a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐

Date released: 7/31/04 Time released: 14:51

Method(s) Of Capture, Hop trap. 2 perch fillets, No Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Coley Brown

Notes: Collected leech from plastron Anal plate.

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Eastern painted Turtle
Date: 7/19/04 Time caught: 13:15 Weather: Sunny Clear / partly cloudy
Water condition: Algae infested water.
Trapping location #: 1 Air temp (F): 88 H2O temp (F): (B): 76.9 (S): 77.6
Secchie disk (M): .75 Depth of trapping location (M): .25
Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 14.2 Straight plastron length: 12.1 Estimated age: ~~3-4~~ 3-4 yrs.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Small cuts
in 1st anterior pleural scute.

Turtle number: 3C Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 7/19/04 Time released: 3:08
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. Ocean perch / 2 Chicken Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Coley Brown

Notes: None

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 7/21/04 Time caught: 14:30 Weather: Clear / sunny. 50% cloud cover
Water condition: apparently darker than normal
Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 63.9 H2O temp (F): (B): X (S): 80.1
Secchie disk (M): ~~1.0~~ Depth of trapping location (M): 1.25
Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 16.1 Straight plastron length: 13.9
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron:

Turtle number: 4a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 7/21/04 Time released:
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 1 Perchillet. 2 Chicken Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), None

Notes: Obvious male.

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider

Date: 7/31/04 Time caught: 17:25 Weather: Cloudy/rainy

Water condition: Apparently Normal

Trapping location #: 19 Air temp (F): 87.3 H2O temp (F): (B): 79.0 (S): 81.9

Secchie disk (M): X Depth of trapping location (M): 1

^{shallow} Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐

Straight carapace length (CM): 11.85 Straight plastron length: 10.1 Estimated age: 3-4 yrs.

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: one scar

on left Pleural too right Anterior Vertebral

Turtle number: 7a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐

Date released: 7/31/04 Time released: ☐

Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. Perch fillet, No Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: _____

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider

Date: 7/31/04 Time caught: 17:50 Weather: Cloudy

Water condition: Apparently Normal

Trapping location #: 1 Air temp (F): 84.1 H2O temp (F): (B): 79.2 (S): 80.5

Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 0.75

Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐

Straight carapace length (CM): 11.2 Straight plastron length: 9.15

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None

Turtle number: 8a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐

Date released: 7/31/04 Time released: ☐

Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 1 Perch fillet, no gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: None

Other species data:

Species:(common name): Eastern painted Turtle
Date: 7/31/04 Time caught: 17:50 Weather: Cloudy/rainy
Water condition: Apparently Normal
Trapping location #: 19 Air temp (F): 87.3 H2O temp (F): (B): 79.2 (S): 80.5
Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 0.25
Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 7.9 Straight plastron length: 6.2 Estimated age: 2 yrs.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: one notch
on left nuchal. Small puncture on left abdominal.
Turtle number: 9C Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 7/31/04 Time released: ☐
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 1 perch siller
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: Marked on earhest posteriorly marginal

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 8/11/04 Time caught: 1635 Weather: Clear, Sunny - 10% cloud cover
Water condition: Apparently normal condition, Algae ingested
Trapping location #: 1 Air temp (F): 91.6 H2O temp (F): (B): 78.3 (S): 80.1
Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 0.75
Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☒ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 11.2 Straight plastron length: 9.5
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Scars
Hook lodged in upper jaw

Turtle number: 10a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 8/11/04 Time released: 1654
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 2 Gizzard 1 perch siller
Other Co-operator(s), Wallace Cossey

Notes:

Other species data:

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 8/14/04 Time caught: 17:47 Weather: Clear/sunny
Water condition: apparently normal
Trapping location #: 9 Air temp (F): 77.2 H2O temp (F): (B): 79.7 (S): 78.4
Secchie disk (M): X Depth of trapping location (M): 1
Male (check): Female: ✓ Juvenile: Hatchling: Unknown:
Straight carapace length (CM): 13.1 Straight plastron length: 12.2 Estimated age: 4
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None

Turtle number: 11a Is it, New: ✓ Repeat: Recovery:
Date released: 8/14/04 Time released: 420 swans
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, one piece Gillnets, two Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Corey Branch

Notes:

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 8/17/04 Time caught: 1220 Weather: Cloudy
Water condition: Murky, algae observed
Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 87.3 H2O temp (F): (B): 70.2 (S): 74.7
Secchie disk (M): X Depth of trapping location (M): 1.5
Male (check): Female: ✓ Juvenile: ✓ Hatchling: Unknown:
Straight carapace length (CM): 11.0 Straight plastron length: 9.2
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: dent in center of anal plastron scute

Turtle number: 12a Is it, New: ✓ Repeat: Recovery:
Date released: 8/17/04 Time released: 1229
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, one piece, 2 Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: Hoop removed from jaw

Other species data,

Species:(common name): Red-eared slider

Date: 8/17/04 Time caught: 1220 Weather: Cloudy

Water condition: Murky, Algae infested

Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 87.3 H2O temp (F): (B): 70.2 (S): 74.7

Secchie disk (M): X Depth of trapping location (M): 1.9

Male (check): Female: Juvenile: Hatchling: Unknown:

Straight carapace length (CM): 29.2 Straight plastron length: 22.1 Estimated age: 22 yrs

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Huge gash

in 11:30 Carapacial Marginal

Turtle number: 13a Is it, New: ✓ Repeat: Recovery:

Date released: 8/17/04 Time released:

Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 1 perch 2 Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: Old Adult

Species:(common name): Red-eared slider

Date: 8/18/04 Time caught: 1255 Weather: Sunny 5% Cloud Cover

Water condition: Apparently normal

Trapping location #: 5 Air temp (F): 83.0 H2O temp (F): (B): 73.6 (S): 76.1

Secchie disk (M): X Depth of trapping location (M): 1.25

Male (check): Female: ✓ Juvenile: Hatchling: Unknown:

Straight carapace length (CM): 13.1 Straight plastron length: 12.2

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None

Turtle number: 11a Is it, New: Repeat: ✓ Recovery:

Date released: 8/18/04 Time released:

Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 1 Perch fillet, 2 Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), None

Notes: First caught at trap #9 on 14 Aug 04

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 8/18/04 Time caught: 1612 Weather: Sunny. 59% Cloud Cover
Water condition: Murky
Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 78.7 H2O temp (F): (B): 73.9 (S): 75.1
Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 1.5
Male (check): ☐ Female: ☒ Juvenile: ☒ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 11.0 Straight plastron length: 9.2 Estimated age: 3
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: dent in
Center of Anal plastron Scute 7:00-7:30 gashes in Carapace
Marginal
Turtle number: 12 Is it, New: ☐ Repeat: ☒ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 8/18/04 Time released: 1620
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. 1 perch fillet + 2 gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: _____

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 8/18/04 Time caught: 1612 Weather: Sunny. 59% Cloud Cover
Water condition: Murky, Algae infested
Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 78.7 H2O temp (F): (B): 73.6 (S): 75.1
Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 1.5
Male (check): ☐ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 17.9 Straight plastron length: 15.1
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: 1:00 gash
Marginal.

Turtle number: 14a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 8/18/04 Time released: 1645
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap. One perch fillet and two Gizzards.
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes: Long claws were present on individual

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Common Snapping Turtle
Date: 9/5/04 Time caught: 1500 Weather: Partly Cloudy
Water condition: Apparently Normal Condition
Trapping location #: 16 Air temp (F): 85.9 H2O temp (F): (B): 77.2 (S): 85.9
Secchie disk (M): 1.25 Depth of trapping location (M): 1.25
Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 31.5 Straight plastron length: 20.5 Estimated age: unk.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Right +
left up shoulders unrounded and fair.
Turtle number: — Is it, New: ☐ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 9/5/04 Time released: —
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop Trap, 1 perch and 2 Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), —

Notes: —
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Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 9/6/04 Time caught: 1735 Weather: Cloudy
Water condition: Murky
Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 87.3 H2O temp (F): (B): 74.2 (S): 78.7
Secchie disk (M): 0.5 Depth of trapping location (M): 0.5
Male (check): ☒ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 12.2 Straight plastron length: 10.05
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None obvious

Turtle number: 7a Is it, New: ☐ Repeat: ☒ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 9/6/04 Time released: 1745
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop Trap, one perch filled and 2 Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Larry O'Leary

Notes: —
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Other species data.

Species:(common name): Common Snapping Turtle

Date: 9/11/04 Time caught: 1508 Weather: Sunny. 8% cloud cover

Water condition: Apparently Darker because of excessive rain

Trapping location #: 2 Air temp (F): 83.0 H2O temp (F): (B): 74.2 (S): 77.1

Secchie disk (M): X Depth of trapping location (M): 0.75

Male (check): Female: ✓ Juvenile: Hatchling: Unknown:

Straight carapace length (CM): 24.3 Straight plastron length: 18 Estimated age: unk.

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None observed

Turtle number: Is it, New: Repeat: Recovery:

Date released: 9/11 Time released:

Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, one percussiles and 2 Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Kevin #194

Notes: 1 egg found on carapace

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider

Date: 9/22/04 Time caught: 13:10 Weather: Cloudy. Breezy

Water condition: Murky

Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 76.1 H2O temp (F): (B): 71.3 (S): 72.5

Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 1

Male (check): ✓ Female: Juvenile: Hatchling: Unknown:

Straight carapace length (CM): 18.1 Straight plastron length: 15.5

Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron:

Several gashes in left posterior marginal vicinity.

Turtle number: 149 Is it, New: Repeat: ✓ Recovery:

Date released: 9/22/04 Time released: 1320

Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, one Percussiles and 2 Chicken Gizzards

Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes:

Other species data.

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 9/27/04 Time caught: 1310 Weather: Cloudy Breezy
Water condition: Murky, Some algae
Trapping location #: 17 Air temp (F): 76.1 H2O temp (F): (B): 71.3 (S): 72.5
Secchie disk (M): 0.75 Depth of trapping location (M): 1
Male (check): ☐ Female: ☐ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☒ - possible male
Straight carapace length (CM): 9.1 Straight plastron length: 7.6 Estimated age: 2-3 yrs.
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: None

Turtle number: 15a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 9/27/04 Time released: 1330
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, 1 Perch fillet and 2 chicken Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

Notes:

Species:(common name): Red-eared Slider
Date: 9/27/04 Time caught: 13:55 Weather: Cloudy, Breezy
Water condition: Clear
Trapping location #: 10 Air temp (F): 77.8 H2O temp (F): (B): 71.3 (S): 71.5
Secchie disk (M): — Depth of trapping location (M): 1-75
Male (check): ☐ Female: ☒ Juvenile: ☐ Hatchling: ☐ Unknown: ☐
Straight carapace length (CM): 18.4 Straight plastron length: 16.5
Notable injuries such as gashes or scars in Carapace and/or Plastron: Gashes
in left posterior pleural and marginal regions of
the Carapace
Turtle number: 16a Is it, New: ☒ Repeat: ☐ Recovery: ☐
Date released: 9/27/04 Time released: 14:10
Method(s) Of Capture, Hoop trap, one perch fillet, 2 chicken Gizzards
Other Co-operator(s), Justin Moore

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