

**Class Mammalia**

**Habitat**

**Abundance**

- Beaver *Creek* Occasional  
(*Castor canadensis*)
- Hispid Cotton Rat *Heavy Grass* Common  
(*Sigmodon hispidus*)
- House Mouse\* *Widespread* Occasional  
(*Mus musculus*)
- Pygmy Mouse *Widespread* Occasional  
(*Baiomys taylori*)
- Baird's Pocket Gopher *Uplands* Common  
(*Geomys breviceps*)



Beaver. 4 inches between tracks. Hind covers front.

# Mammals

Roy E. Larsen Sandyland Sanctuary  
Hardin County ♦ Silsbee, Texas

**Order Suidae**

- Feral Hog\* *Floodplain* Occasional  
(*Sus scrofa*)

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Baird's Pocket Gopher



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## Habitat Definitions

**Uplands:** Arid sandyland pine forests that are dominated by longleaf pine and drought resistant oaks. Some remnant slash pine plantations remain.

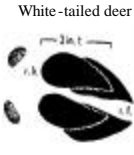


**Floodplain:** Floodplain forests along the margins of Village Creek composed of water oaks, loblolly pines and bald cypress that is inundated with water throughout the year.

**Baygall:** A strongly acidic wetland forest dominated by gallberry holly, white bay, southern magnolia and blackgum.

**Creek:** The open water and banks of Village Creek.

**Widespread:** Any of the habitats found on the preserve.

(\* ) denotes introduced species

<u>Class Mammalia</u>	<u>Habitat</u>	<u>Abundance</u>	
<b>Order Antiodactyla</b>			
• White-tailed Deer ( <i>Odocoileus virginiana</i> )	Widespread	Occasional	
<b>Order Carnivora</b>			
• Coyote ( <i>Canis latrans</i> )	Widespread	Occasional	
• Red Fox ( <i>Vulpes vulpes</i> )	Widespread	Rare	
• Raccoon ( <i>Procyon lotor</i> )	Widespread	Common	
• Mink ( <i>Mustela vison</i> )	Floodplain	Occasional	
• Striped Skunk ( <i>Mephitis mephitis</i> )	Widespread	Rare	
• River Otter ( <i>Lutra canadensis</i> )	River	Rare	
• Bobcat ( <i>Felis rufus</i> )	Widespread	Occasional	
<b>Order Chiroptera</b>			
• Rafineque's Big-eared Bat ( <i>Corynorhinus rafinesquii</i> )	Fldpln/Baygall	Rare	
• Southeastern Myotis ( <i>Myotis austroriparius</i> )	Fldpln/Baygall	Occasional	
• Red Bat ( <i>Lasiurus borealis</i> )	Widespread	Common	



## Abundance Definitions

**Abundant:** Much more numerous than most species.

**Common:** Present in large numbers and likely to be observed.

**Occasional:** Present, but unlikely to be seen.

**Rare:** Low probability to be observed.

<u>Class Mammalia</u>	<u>Habitat</u>	<u>Abundance</u>	
<b>Order Edentata</b>			
• Armadillo* ( <i>Dasyus novemcinctus</i> )	Widespread	Common	
<b>Order Insectivora</b>			
• Short-tailed Shrew ( <i>Blarina brevicauda</i> )	Wooded Uplands	Common	
• Eastern Mole ( <i>Scalopus aquaticus</i> )	Widespread	Common	
<b>Order Lagomorpha</b>			
• Eastern Cottontail ( <i>Sylvilagus floridanus</i> )	Uplands	Common	
• Swamp Rabbit ( <i>Sylvilagus aquaticus</i> )	Fldpln/Baygall	Occasional	
<b>Order Marsupalia</b>			
• Virginia Opossum ( <i>Didelphis virginiana</i> )	Widespread	Common	
<b>Order Rodentia</b>			
• Gray Squirrel ( <i>Sciurus carolinensis</i> )	Fldpln/Baygall	Common	
• Fox Squirrel ( <i>Sciurus niger</i> )	Wooded Uplands	Common	
• Southern Flying Squirrel ( <i>Glaucomys volans</i> )	Widespread	Common	
• Fulvous Harvest Mouse ( <i>Reithrodontomys fulvescens</i> )	Heavy Grass	Occasional	
• Cotton Mouse ( <i>Peromyscus gossypinus</i> )	Widespread	Abundant	