### Partial Guide to Local Fauna of Middle Fork Eel River Watershed –

**WEB OF LIFE QUESTION:** All living things need a habitat that provides: food, shelter, camouflage, and space in order to exist. Choose an animal at the top or bottom of the FOOD CHAIN and map out what you know about it. Where it lives, where it sleeps, what it eats. It is so interesting to realize all that is involved for survival.

#### SOME ANIMALS....can you add more to the list?

Carnivores -

Mountain Lion Birds of Prey– eagle, hawks, falcons, owls, osprey, diving birds, Herons River Otters Mink, martens, fishers, weasels

#### **Omnivore-**

Black Bear Coyote Bobcat Ground Squirrels Opossum Raccoon Grey Fox Ravens, crows

#### Herbivore-

Mule deer Jack Rabbits Bunny rabbits chipmunks tree squirrels song birds

#### **Reptiles and Amphibians**

Snakes: Western Rattle Snake, King snakes, Garter snakes, Racer snakes Lizards: Western Fence Lizard, Blue tail , Alligator Newts, Mud Puppies Frogs: tree frogs, pond frogs Western Toads Turtles: Pond Turtle, Snapping turtle, red-eared turtle

# BUGS – very important but too many to list in this section. We will add later in the year, along with trees, plants, wild foods.

**ACTIVITY:** CHECK OUT THE PHOTOS ON NEXT PAGE. CUT OUT ALL YOU HAVE SEEN BEFORE AND GLUE INTO YOUR JOURNAL. WRITE DOWN ALL THE INFO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE ANIMALS. Okay to look up facts, and also okay to jot down any questions you have about the critter, or even write a short story. Real or imagined. (See Nature Journaling sample by Talia Rose, last page)

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EGRET







RIVER OTTER



SHARP-SHINNED HAWK



BALD EAGLE



MINK



## WEASEL

**OSPREY** 



COYOTE



BLACK BEAR

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Young Fox

Turtle



Western Tanager



Pregnant deer



Pygmy Owl



Pacific Garter Snake



California Quail



Mountain Lion

For more info about our local wildlife photographer, Talia Rose, here is a video her son put together about her: https://www.facebook.com/InterestingPeopleVideos/videos/313049482612982