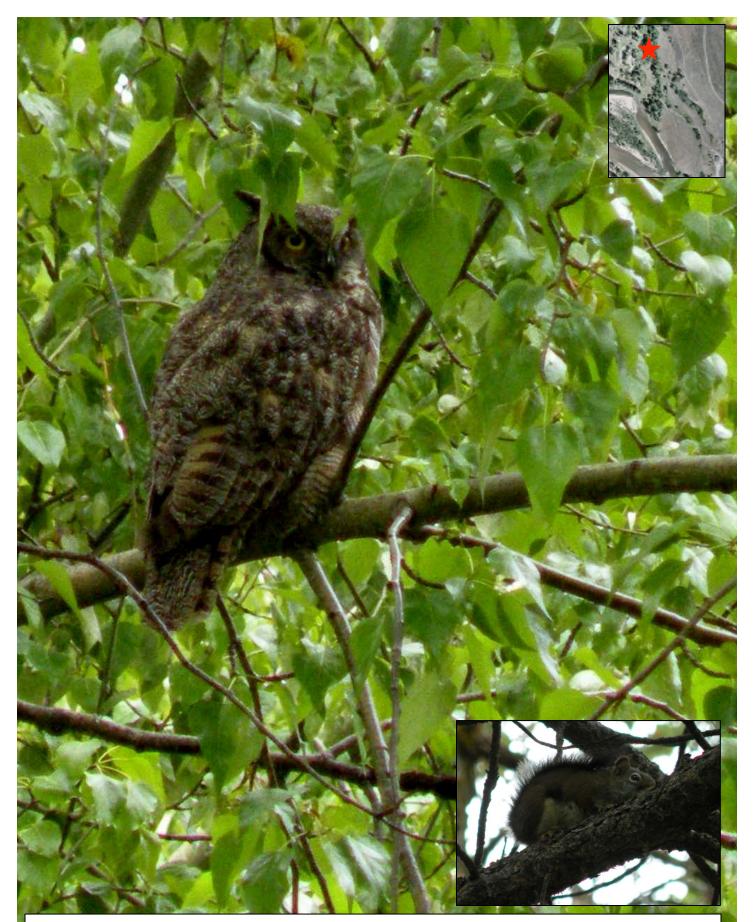




I noticed this stealthy porcupine in the Southern floodplain. He was much larger than others I've observed near this area...maybe it swam across the river to feed on our cottonwoods?



A pair of cackling robins alerted me to this great horned owl in the cottonwoods. A nearby red squirrel sat motionless in hopes that it wouldn't become the owl's next meal.

We continue to document initial height and health of the 2011 planted trees (95% survival rate). Rich rain and moderate temperatures gave them an early boost. We have already received 0.91 inches of rain this month!

Deer frequent this mineral deposit below the clubhouse. They scrape out chunks of mud with their teeth and hooves and ingest it. I wonder what's in that soil that they want/need so bad?





The hound's tongue massacre continues in the Southern floodplain. We pull all the matured plants and burn them. Whacking the new growth will be a long process and we must be thorough. Every plant we miss may harbor 300 - 675 sticky seeds.



Seth sprayed the madwort, cheat grass, and other invasive plants in the lower woodchuck drainage this week. In the fall we will plant this area with a water-loving grass/forb mix.



Field Work Completed

- •Planted 500 White Pines at MPG North
- •Whacked and burnt hound's tongue
- •Sprayed lower woodchuck
- •Assisted Ylva w/ plant study
- •Documented 2011 planted trees
- •Pulled Spurge plots
- •Irrigation maintenance