

Jean Lafitte Mammal Survey



With support from the National Park Service Inventory & Monitoring program, Dr. Craig Hood (Loyola Univ) and Lauren Nolfo (Tulane Univ) have begun a 2-year survey of Jean Lafitte National Historical Park & Preserve to document all of the mammals inhabiting the park's forests, swamps, bayous, and marshes.

You can help us understand the distribution, habits, and ecology of your park's mammals by reporting the following to the Visitor's Center --

- sightings or observations on mammals
- locations of animal remains
- locations of sign (tracks, droppings)
- locations of owl pellets



Tracks of Fox Squirrel

It is important that you describe the sighting or observation in as much detail as possible, and **especially**, the **specific location**, so that we can investigate it and enter it into our GPS data. Please remember that this is a National Park and all resources are protected. It is illegal to collect any natural objects including mammals (even their remains). Just give us your info and we'll check it out. To follow our progress, visit our website --

www.loyno.edu/~chood/jlnpmammals.html

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In addition to contacting Park personnel in the Visitor's Center, feel free to contact -- Dr. Craig Hood, Loyola Univ., (504) 865-2193 or 220-2193