

Are there any endangered animals here? If there are what are their names and types?

This is a very good question; recently we have had an environmental survey done, as part of a construction project along Page Mill Road, by a company called TRA Environmental Sciences, Inc. As part of the study they looked at habitats in the park and came up with a list of “special status species.” These species include “those listed as endangered, threatened, rare or as candidates for listing by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the California Department of Fish and Game and the California Native Plant Society.”

Their list has 26 species listed on it, 10 animals and 16 plants.

This is the list of animals they came up with:

Steelhead Trout	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss irideus</i>
Bay Checkerspot Butterfly	<i>Euphydryus editha bayensis</i>
White-tailed Kite	<i>Elanus leucurus</i>
Long-eared Owl	<i>Asio Otus</i>
Saltmarsh Common Yellow Throat	<i>Geothlypis trichas sinuosa</i>
Alameda Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia pusillula</i>
California Red-legged Frog	<i>Rana aurora draytonii</i>
California Tiger Salamander	<i>Ambystoma californiense</i>
San Francisco dusky-footed Wood Rat	<i>Neotoma fuscipes annectans</i>
Pallid Bat	<i>Antrozous pallidus</i>
American badger	<i>Taxidea taxus</i>

Just because an animal appears on this list does not mean that it can actually be found here. We do not have habitat suitable for steelhead trout, I do not know of any badger sightings here. Woodrats are fairly common throughout the park, checkerspots can be seen in the spring and early summer and kites can be seen from Vista Hill regularly.

Please use this list as a starting point for further research and good luck in any sightings!