



Assessment of the Conservation status and needs of Taylor's salamander.

Project report.

June 2016

During May we did one survey in the field at the end of the month. The survey lasted for 4 days, the first day we set a total of 21 traps in the lake, 7 from each range of depth (0-10m, 11-20m, 21-30m) and then we came back three times to the lake to check the traps and process animals. We caught 13 salamanders in traps and took data from them: svl, weigh, sex, chytrid sample, a dorsal photograph; we also marked each individual using VIE. We were not able to complete the survey because on the fourth day 17 traps had been stolen from the lake and we only found 4 of them. We will need to buy new traps to replace the stolen ones and avoid leaving them on weekends when people visit the lake.

A local TV channel made a short journalist report from the project. A couple reporters came with us to the lake and spent one day with us video recording all we do during fieldwork. The report was published on Thursday May 26 th in the local TV news.