

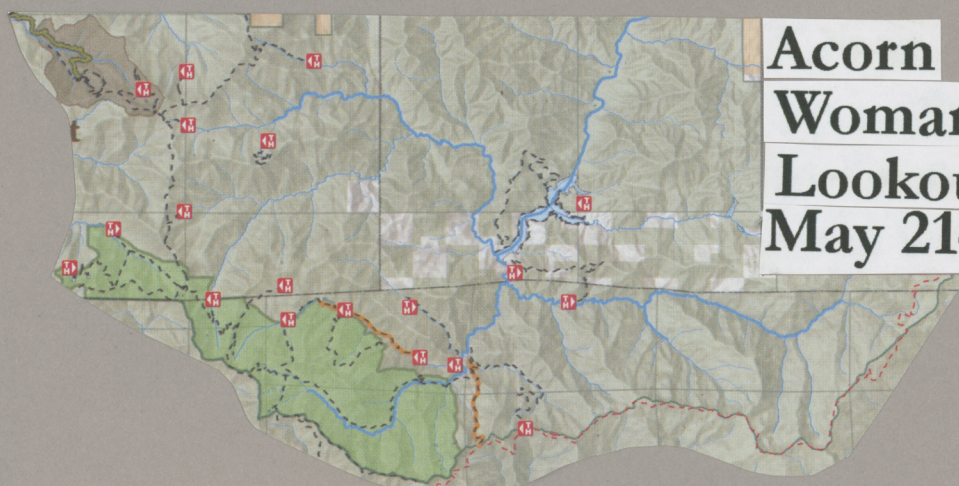
SISKIYOU

CREST

ARTIST IN

RESIDENCE

2026



**Acorn
Woman
Lookout
May 21-26**

CODY

MARKELZ

Stories

SPECIAL EDITION

ZINE

MAY 21, 2026

17:15



5 mph

N/NW

ACORN WOMAN LOOKOUT
SOUTHERN OREGON

LAT: 42.070

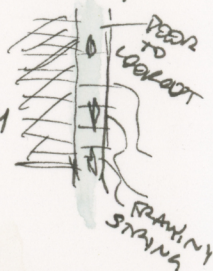
LONG: -123.0

I AM FEELING GRATEFUL FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE
AND FALL IN LOVE (YET AGAIN!) WITH ANOTHER PLACE.

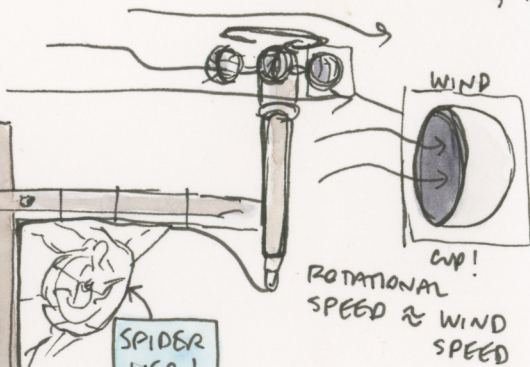
THE BIRD CHORUS IS EXCELLENT. SPOTTED TOWHEE, BLACK

HEADED GROSBEAK, LAZULI BUNTING, WESTERN TAWAEE,
RED BREASTED NUTHATCH.

FLEW RIGHT UP TO ME TO GRAB SOME
SCREEN STRING. IT WAS STARTLED BY
ME! MAYBE USED TO IT BEING EMPTY
UP HERE.



WIND DIRECTION



SPIDER
WEB!

- ALWAYS "DOWN WIND"?
- PREVAILING WIND DIRECTION?
- WIND DIRECTION FOR PREVIOUS 3 DAYS?
- HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN THERE?

WHAT SPECIES OF SPIDERS
MAKE WEBS IN THE TOPS
OF TREES?

SPIDER DIVERSITY OF
REGION?

IS IT JUST THIS 90° ANGLE THAT
MAKES A WEB CONVENIENT?

1/3 T 2/3

PENNY SQUARE

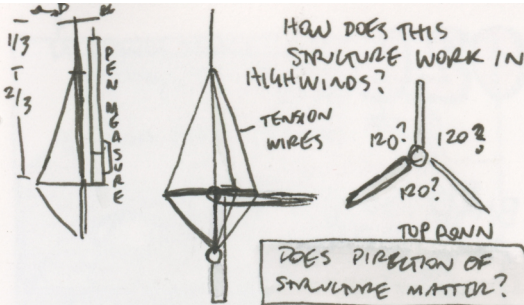
HOW DOES THIS STRUCTURE WORK IN HIGH WINDS?

TENSION WIRES

120° 120° 120°

TOP DOWN

DOES DIRECTION OF STRUTS MATTER?



BUZZED BY TURKEY VULTURES

STEEP SLOPE

SHRUB BELT

updraft

HOW DO THE THERMALS work?

3 WASPS - SOUTH SIDE 2

DAVID?



TUCK IN FOR THE NIGHT
BETWEEN NEST & ROOF.

N

2

3

o SOUTH WARMER IN AM? BUT... WEST!

o ORIENT VIA SUN?

FAILED WEST?

How often do they fly?

o

o

o

MICROCLIMATE.

o OTHER AREAS LATER IN THE SEASON WHEN WARMER?

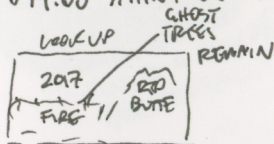
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o WEST - OE, ON



○ ELECTRONICS ALL AROUND.
 ○ DRAMATIC 5 SLOPES
 LINES HAVE
 ○ 50 INCHES → 20 INCHES RAINFALL
 ACROSS THE
 W → E MOUNTAINS I
 CAN SEE.

o 19:08 SITTING ON SOUTHSIDE TO BE OUT OF THE WIND. - ^{FOOD COOLER /} TENT SHADED



complex!

MAINTAIN WEATHER - JEFF RENNER?

WIND ?'S

IF THERE ARE CLOUD SKIES & VARIABLE WINDS... NO FRONT COMING IN
DO THE WINDS TYPICALLY DIE DOWN AT NIGHT? PAR SENSOR - DIA

WIND COMPLETELY DIED DOWN AT ~22:00. IS THIS TRUE ACROSS DATES?

CALM NIGHT INSIDE. I WONDER WHAT THE WIND RECORDED ON THE
SENSOR SAYS? AUSTS BELOW A CERTAIN THRESHOLD MIGHT
NOT HAVE THE NOISY BITS OF THIS OLD LOGOUT.

MAY 22, 2026



LIGHT WINDS N

6:28

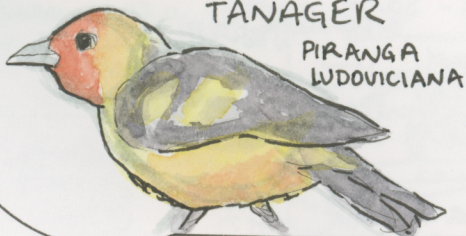
~45°

4:51 & BIRDS AWAKE



ALAN WOMAN
LOOKOUT

~ ♪ BIRD SONG ~
ALL DAY

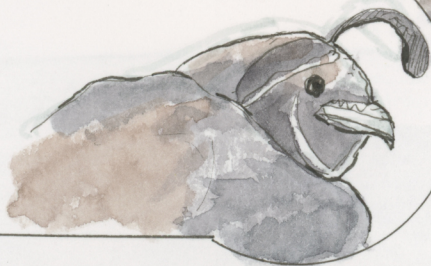


WESTERN
TANAGER

PIRANGA
LUDOVICIANA



MOUNTAIN
QUAIL
OREORTYX
PICTUS



SPOTTED
TOWHEE
PIPILO MACULATUS

BLACK -
HEADED
GROSBEAK
PHEUCTICUS
MELANOCEPHALUS



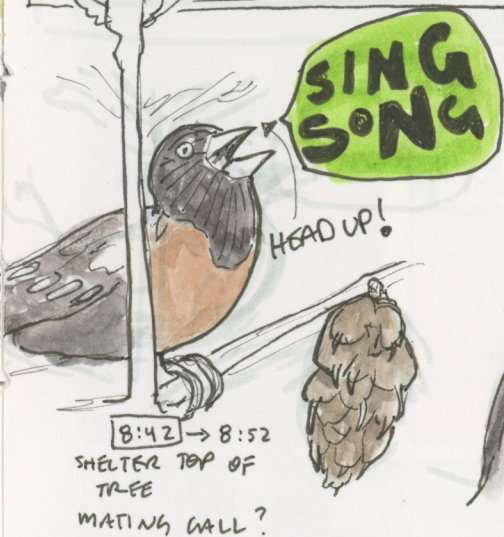


CERBERUS

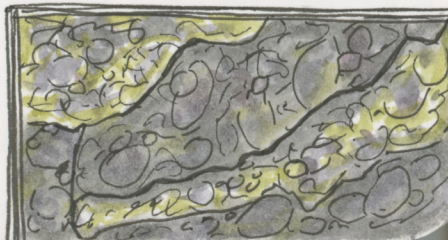
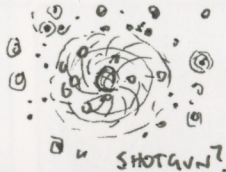
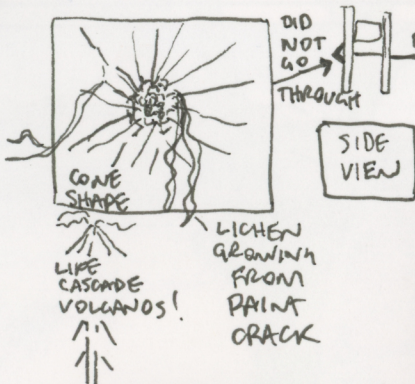
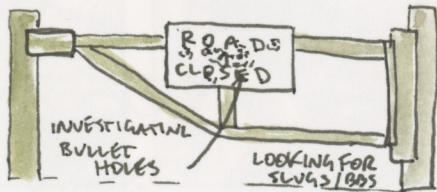
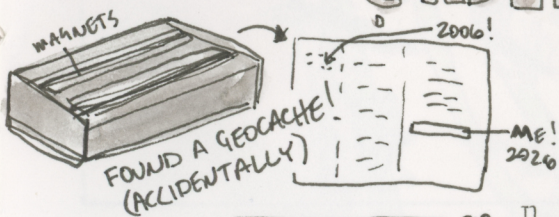


ETHIOPIA,
HARD
BADESSA
NATURAL

COFFEE



THOUGHTS & ADVENTURES



LANDSCAPE QUICK STUDIES



SHAPES



VALUE



COLOR



LITTLE GRAYBACK
MOUNTAIN
WHISKEY PEAK IN
BACKGROUND

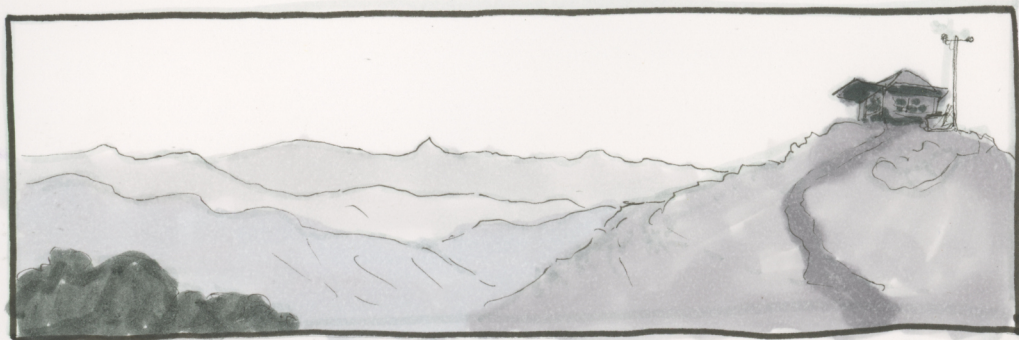


BALDY PEAK

STEEP
SOUTH FACING
ASPECTS
ARE
"BALD".

HOT &
DRY
GRASSLAND.

IS THERE A DEGREE
ANGLE THAT TILTS THE
BALANCE B/W GRASSLAND
& FOREST?

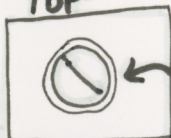


OSBORN FIRE FINDER



360 VIEWS

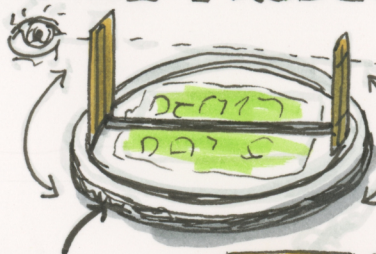
TOP



DOWN

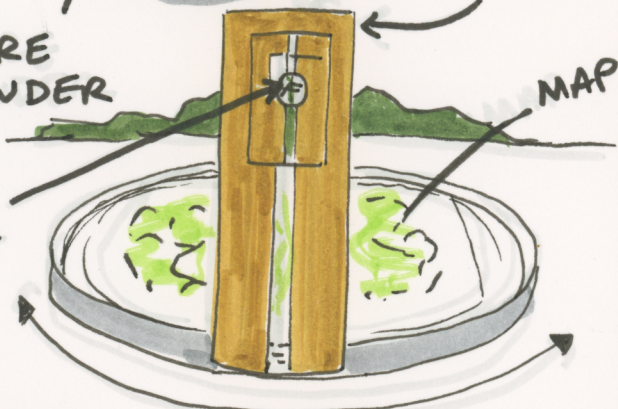
FIRE FINDER

VIEW FINDER



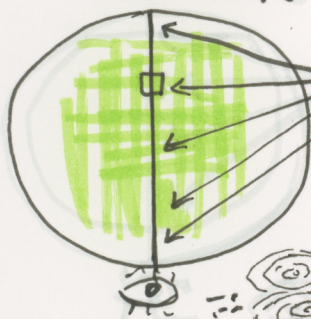
POINT TOWARDS FIRE

ROTATE TO SPOT FIRE



MAP

TOP DOWN

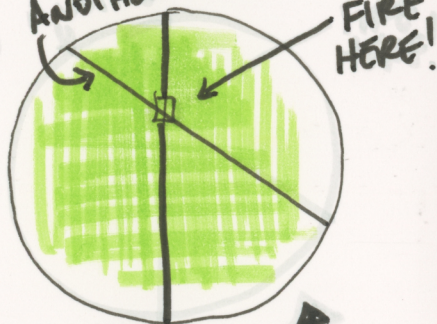


FIRE IS ALONG LINE OF SIGHT ON MAP



MATCH TOPO FEATURES

ROTATE ANOTHER LOOKOUT LINE

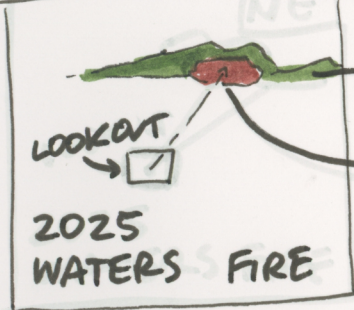


FIRE HERE!

YOUR LOOK-OUT

CONFIRM W/ OTHER LOOKOUT

NW N NE



RIDGE

FIRE SCAR

2025 WATERS FIRE

OR

MAY 23, 2026

ACORN WOMAN LOOKOUT

1509m



6:45

~5MPH N

~50°

54%



19:45 | 20:33

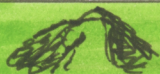


MOON

14:48 H

SUNLIGHT

BALDY PEAK



[TRAIL RUN]

VIEW FROM LOOKOUT

LOVE POND PINE



BALDY PEAK TR.

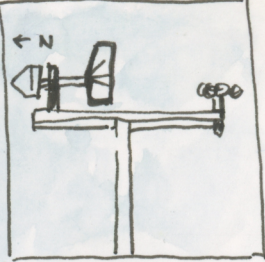
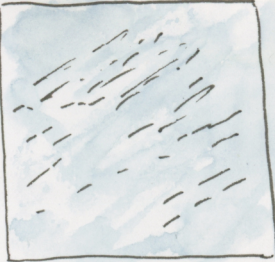


CARPENTER ANTS



BALDY 9680'



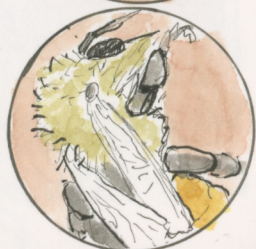


POPPY POLLINATOR PARTY

HIGH LIGHT
CLOUDS FROM
THE SOUTHWEST
~ 11:30

LOCALIZED WIND
STILL FROM
THE NORTH

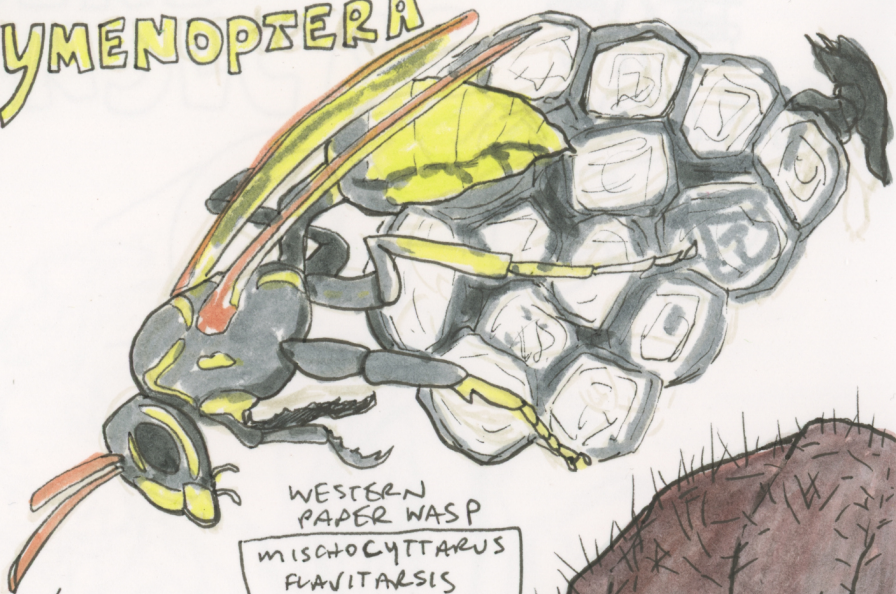
A CHANGE IN WEATHER
SOON?



CALIFORNIA
POPPY
FLOWER
DEVELOPMENT

(ESCHSCHOLZIA)
(CALIFORNICA)

HYMENOPTERA



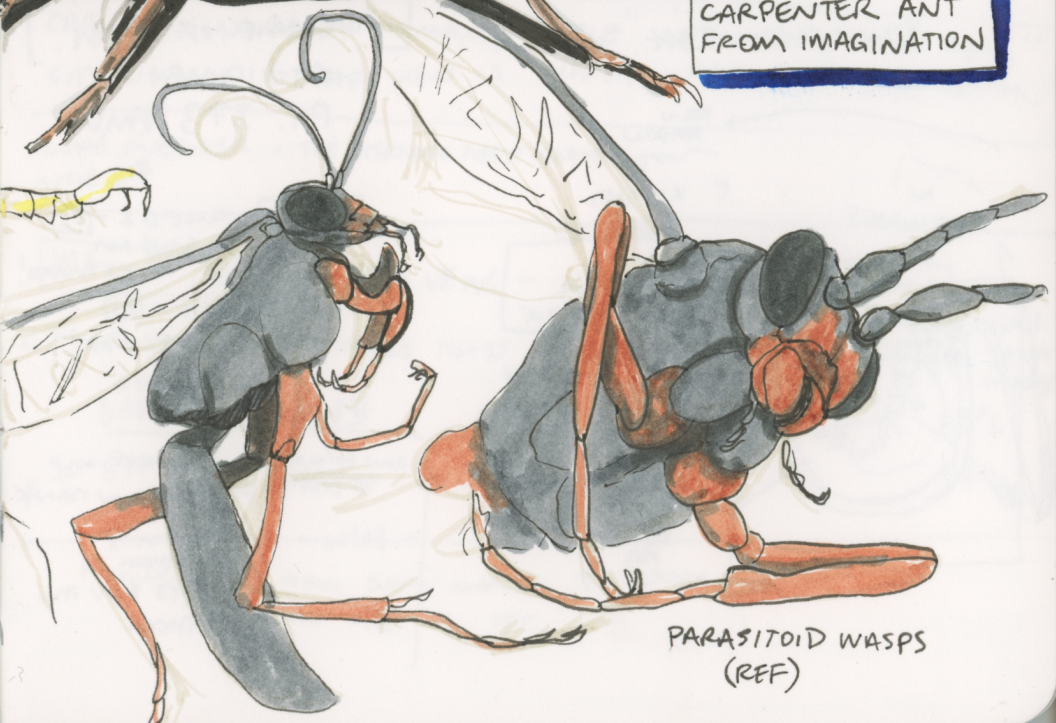
WESTERN
PAPER WASP
MISCHOCYTTARUS
FLAVITARSIS
(REF)

DOPE
SNACKS
THIS
WAY





CARPENTER ANT
FROM IMAGINATION



PARASITOID WASPS
(REF)

MAY 24, 2026



ACORN
WOMAN
LOOKOUT



14:30



5:44

20:34



62020
MOON

WAXING
GIBBONS



45°F CALM WIND

- 1018 hPa -
BAROMETER

6:27 WAKEUP

8:15 LAST
SLEEP NIGHT

80% RAINY

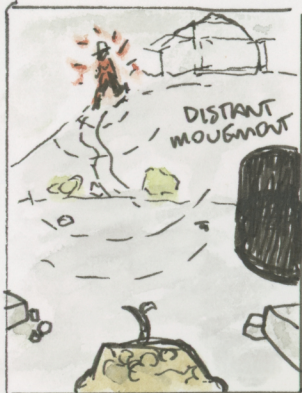
22:21 - 6:35

HAZY OFF IN THE DISTANCE, BUT CAN SEE
SOME FAR AWAY FEATURES AS SHAPES
ON THE HORIZON. LUKE MENTIONED YOU COULD SEE
CRATER LAKE FROM HERE. WHAT DOES THAT FEATURE
LOOK LIKE?



SNAKE P.O.V.

HUMAN!



BI-DIRECTIONAL

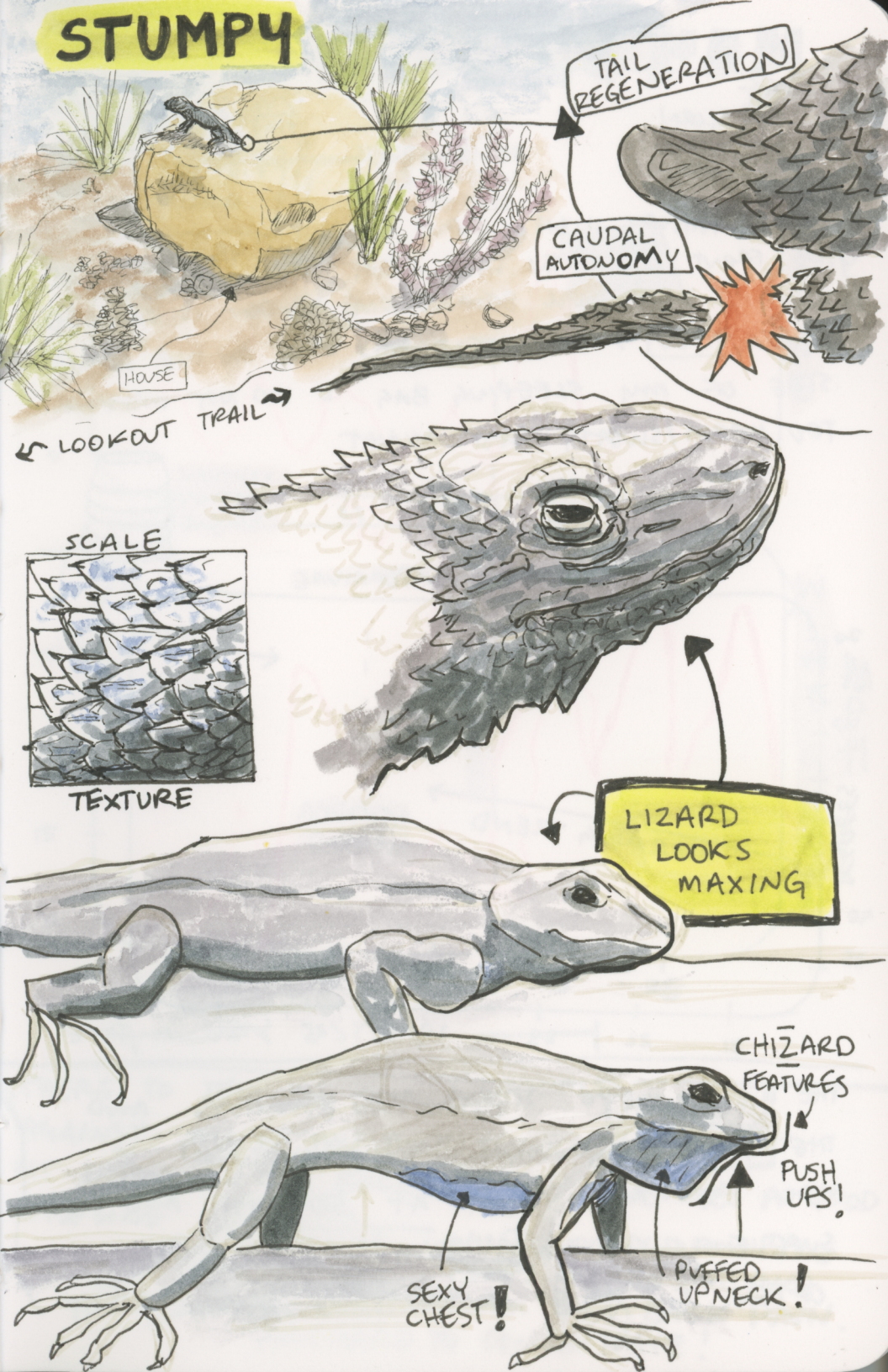


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2
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11
12

CODY P.O.V.

AAAAHHH!

STUMPY



BASE- LINE HABITS

TEXTURES,
thoughts and

○ ◎ ↓ ∪ 👁
OBSERVATIONS.

DOOR
LATCH

BABY
RATTLER
FRIEND

POUR
OVER

YUM!

EXPLORER'S
NOTEBOOK

POST
COFFEE
SHACK
VISIT

BACK
TO
WORK

BOOK
SKIMMING

BIRDSONG

4:50AM → 9:30PM

CHORUS

PAINT

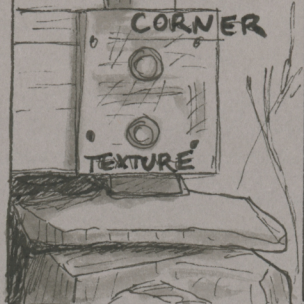
PRICKLY
CATERPILLER

BULLET
&
LICHEN
TEXTURE

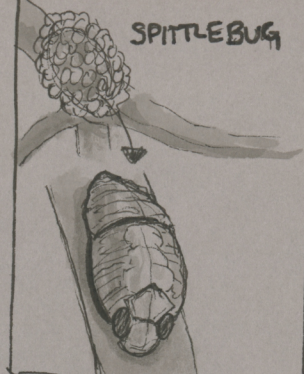
SKEPTICAL
'ZARD



ROCK
STACK
PORCH
CORNER



SPITTLEBUG

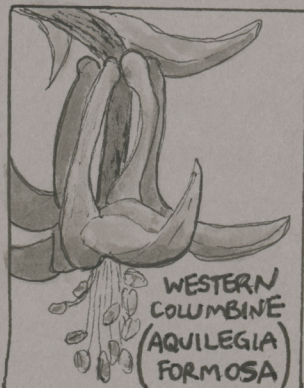


DEER



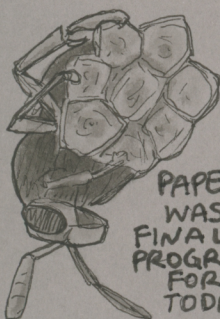
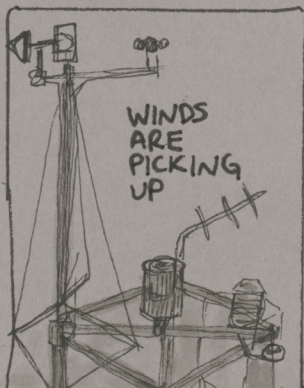
DUST
ON
ROAD

PRINT



WESTERN
COLUMBINE
(AQUILEGIA)
FORMOSA

WINDS
ARE
PICKING
UP



PAPER
WASP
FINAL
PROGRESS
FOR
TODAY



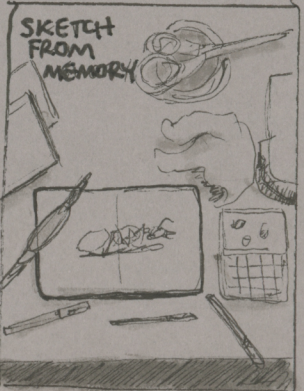
EVENING
SOLAR CHARGE



QUICK
DINNER



DRAMATIC
ANT
SHADOW



SKETCH
FROM
MEMORY



SLEEPING
BAG

Douglas FIR

PSEUDOTSUGA
MENZIESII

CONE
♀

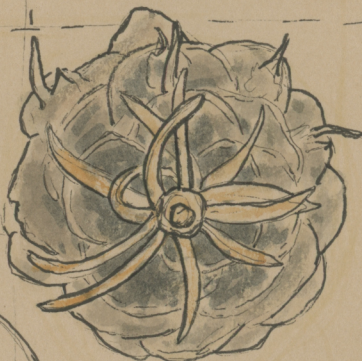
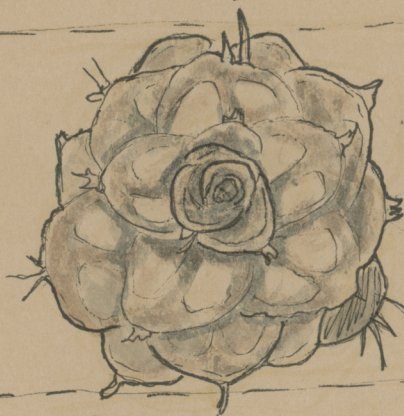


SIDE

HOW DID IT FALL?

TOP

BOTTOM



WIND

SEED

BOTTOM

MAPLES

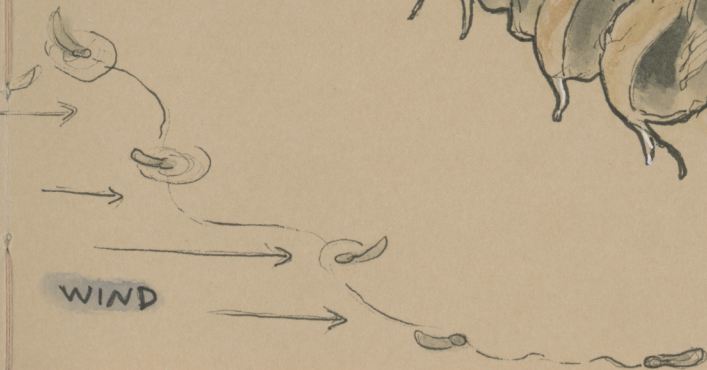
JUST
LIKE

WIND
DISPERSAL
WING

ANEMOCHORY

TOP

SECTION



FALLING
FURTHER
FROM PARENT
TREE

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ACORN
WOMAN
LOOKOUT

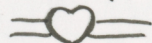
~ 50°?
⊕ WINDCHILL

SW ~ WINDS!
SHITGO!
5:59
5:43
20:35
WAXING
71%
91BBWS

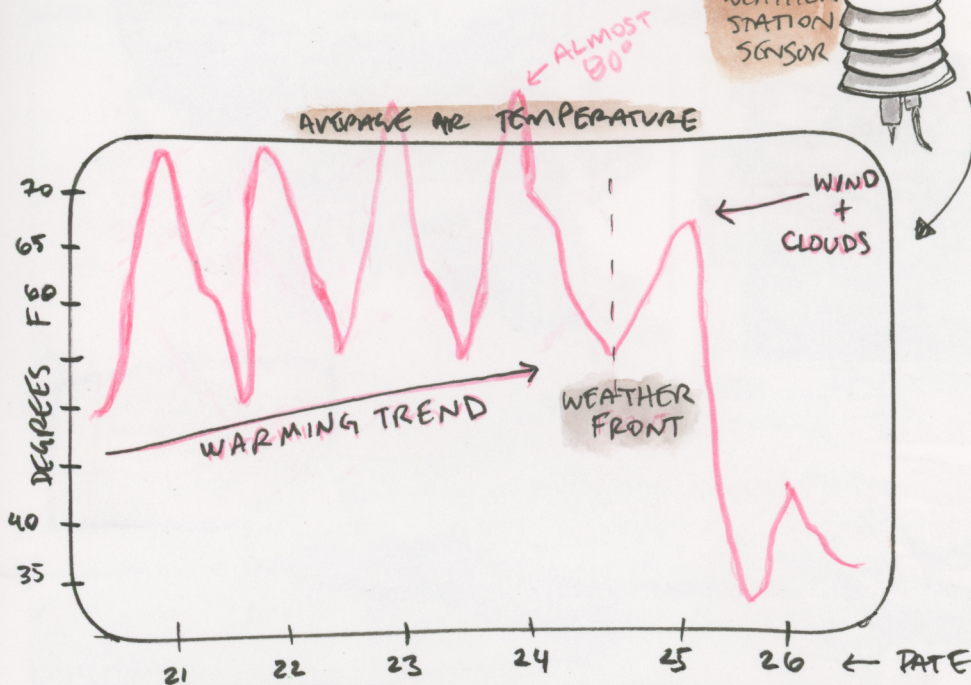
7:07 HRS SLEEP
QUALITY 82%

LOTS OF WHISPY HIGH CIRRUS CLOUDS.
THE FRONT CAME IN LAST NIGHT. I
THINK I SLEPT WELL BECAUSE ONE WINDOW IS CRACKED
FACING **SW** → THE BREEZE WAS NICE ON THE OPEN
SIDE OF MY SLEEPING BAG. I DID NOT WAKE UP
TOO WARM / SWEATY LAST NIGHT.

45 min 47 AVH

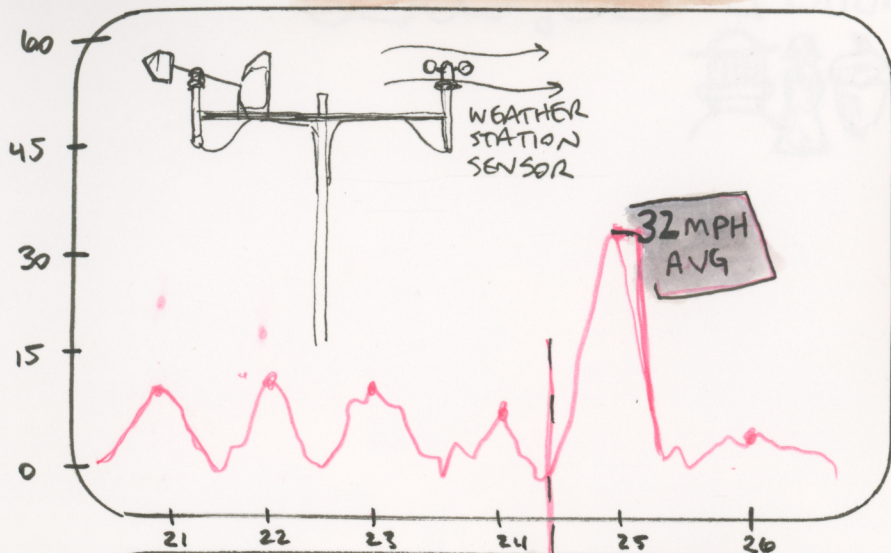


WEATHER
STATION
SENSOR

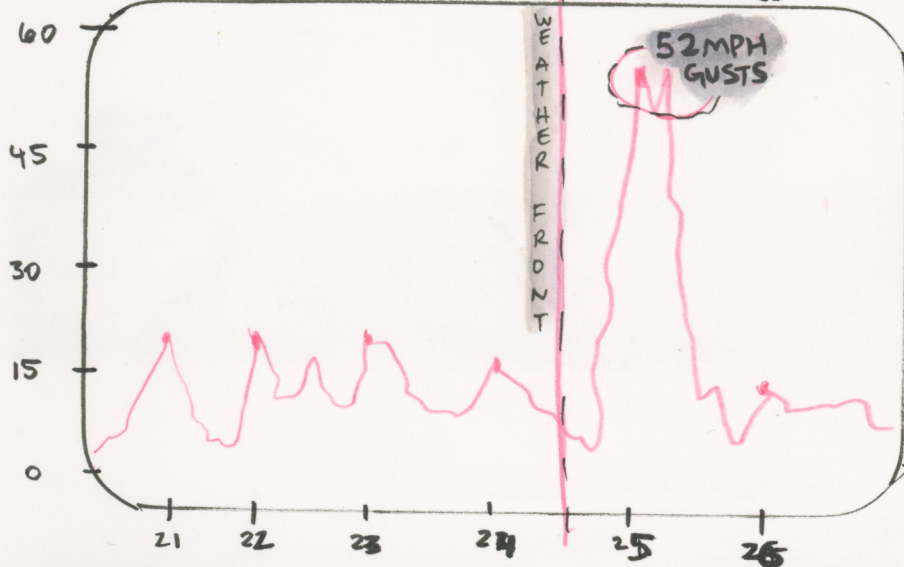


THE WINDS WERE STRONG ALL MORNING AND
THE GUSTS AT NOON WERE INTENSE! I
HAD ESTIMATED THEM AT 50+ MPH AND
SURE ENOUGH I WAS RIGHT! IT IS NOT
OFTEN I HAVE A WEATHER STATION RIGHT

WIND SPEED



AVERAGE
MPH

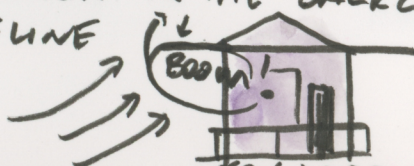


WIND GUST
MPH

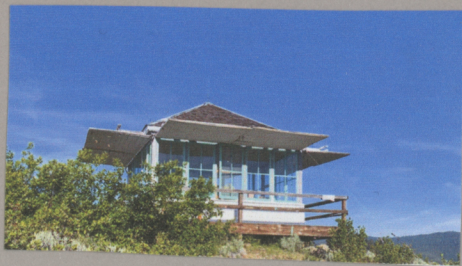
MY STAY

THERE TO TEST MY ESTIMATES AGAINST. ALL OF MY TIME SKIN ON MT SNASTA IN THE BACKCOUNTRY GAVE ME A GOOD BASELINE

DECIDED TO CUT SHORT



WINDS WOULD LIFT UP THE FLAPS ON THE HUT AND SLAM THEM BACK DOWN. VERY HARD TO CONCENTRATE!



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