

# Apparent Predation by Gray Jays, *Perisoreus canadensis*, on Long-toed Salamanders, *Ambystoma macrodactylum*, in the Oregon Cascade Range

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We report observations of Gray Jays (*Perisoreus canadensis*) appearing to consume larval Long-toed Salamanders (*Ambystoma macrodactylum*) in a drying subalpine pond in Oregon, USA. Corvids are known to prey upon a variety of anuran amphibians, but to our knowledge, this is the first report of predation by any corvid on aquatic salamanders. Long-toed Salamanders appear palatable to Gray Jays, and may provide a food resource to Gray Jays when salamander larvae are concentrated in drying temporary ponds.

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