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Enhydra lutris

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INTRODUCTION

Compilation of this bibliography is intended to be a contributing resource in support of the “North American Otter Chronicles”. The Chronicles provide information on current and ongoing conservation and research initiatives on the three species of otters inhabiting North America. These three species are the sea otter (*Enhydra lutris*), North American river otter (*Lontra canadensis*), and the neotropical otter (*Lontra longicaudis*). Like the bibliographies compiled by this author on the North American river otter and the neotropical otter this bibliography was also compiled for (1) those undergraduates searching for publications relative to a potential research project on the sea otter (*Enhydra lutris*), (2) independent scientists, with an interest in the sea otters, who do not have access to a library at a major university, and (3) those scientists planning to expand their scientific investigations on the sea otter.

The citations for this bibliography were acquired from many sources. These sources include key word internet searches plus the year of interest, e.g., “*Enhydra lutris* 2010” or “*Enhydra lutris* 2020”. Many citations were located in the literature cited/reference sections of publications on the sea otter. The seaotters.org website provided numerous citations from 2001 onward. Another valuable resource was the IUCN Otter Specialist Group Bulletin (IUCN OSGB) publications from 1986-2021. This literature search ended on 24 September 2021.

A conscious decision was made regarding content and format for this bibliography. The format for this bibliography follows the format of the bibliographies for *Lontra canadensis*, *Lontra longicaudis*, and *Lutra lutra*. Titles of those articles that did not contain a direct reference to

sea otters either, accompanied by the scientific name *Ehydra lutris* or not , were not included. Those titles containing the common name, in the language of the publication, were translated and included. Blog and hyperlinks were not included unless the hyperlink is the only indicative of a very recent publication. Blogs are not scientific publications. The author found that internet searches using the entire title or a portion of the title of the publication is a very dependable literature search methodology. Many governmental publications are not formatted with volume, issue, and page numbers. These may be accessed through a Digital Object identifier (DOI) which may be included with these types of publications. Some publication information could not be confirmed and a parenthetical note may be included at the end of the citation, identifying the missing information. Gaining access to a complete and accurate citation is left to the ingenuity of others.

Publications are alphabetized by the primary author's last name and listed beginning with the most recent publication year through the earliest publication year. A small number of citations were already translated into English when discovered. Those that were not have the English translation italicized and shown within brackets. Should a publication require translation, Google Translate is used. Other citation contents appearing in italics are the scientific name(s)-within or outside of parentheses, titles of books and the name of the scientific publication. Author names and initials and the year of publication are in bold type as is the volume number of the publication.

I hope this bibliography will serve as a useful resource.

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