New Distribution Records for Reptiles and Amphibians from the Charlotte-Metropolitan Area of the Western Piedmont of North Carolina

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Knowledge of reptile and amphibian distribution patterns is essential for the development of effective conservation strategies (Toberville et al. 2005), especially in regions that are becoming increasingly urbanized. Here we report new county records of reptiles and amphibians from the rapidly growing Charlotte-metropolitan area in the western Piedmont of North Carolina. The following records were collected from 2003 to 2007 by members of the Davidson College Herpetology Laboratory. All coordinates listed use NAD83/WGS84 datum and were recorded using a Garmin® hand-held geographic positioning system or online mapping software (www.carolinaherpetlas.org/utmfinder/). New distribution records were verified by Jeffrey C. Beane and/or Alvin L. Braswell at the North Carolina State Museum of Natural Sciences (NCSM) and were based on Palmer and Braswell (1995) or Braswell (1996). All specimens or photo vouchers are housed at NCSM.

Caudata—Salamanders


Anura—Frogs

Hyla cinerea (Green Treefrog). Cabarrus Co.: 0.9 km NW of intersection of Cox Mill Rd and Christenbury Rd (35.3853°N,

Testudines – Turtles


Squamata – Snakes


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