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Chapter 11. Pleistocene/Holocene Cave Fossils From Grand Canyon National Park

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Introduction

The Colorado Plateau is a distinct physiographic province in western North America covering an area of roughly 337,000 km² (130,115 mi²) across parts of Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, and Utah. Elevations range from about 360 m (1,180 ft) in the overall Grand Canyon (GC; which includes the Grand Canyon National Park, GRCA) river corridor to an average at the eastern South Rim of 2,072 m (6,800 ft) to 3,850 m (12,630 ft) on the nearby San Francisco Peaks at Flagstaff, Arizona, with an average elevation of 1,525 m (5,000 ft). The Colorado River of Grand Canyon is located along the southwestern portion of the Colorado Plateau in Arizona and is renowned for its

dramatic display of geomorphic effects created by fluvial incision and its unique dry-preservation of fossils from the Ice Age (late Pleistocene and Holocene [Quaternary]; most recent 2.58 million years). Although there were at least 22 glacial-interglacial cycles during the Ice Age, this discussion is limited to the most recent episode (called the Wisconsinan Glaciation), which includes the transition to the modern climate (latest Pleistocene and Holocene; the most recent 50,000 years of geologic history).

Due to its range in elevations and physiographic position in western North America, the Colorado Plateau (CP; along with its GC river corridor) plays a key role in the continental monsoons much in the same way that the Tibetan Plateau affects the Southeast Asian monsoon climate (Tang and Reiter 1984; Adams and Comrie 1997). In general, precipitation decreases from high elevations to lower elevations. Summer precipitation decreases from the southern Colorado Plateau northward which correlates to the strength of the summer monsoon. These relationships have important consequences for modern and Ice Age biotic distributions in the Grand Canyon and on the surrounding plateaus (Mock 1996; Higgins et al. 1997; Anderson et al. 2000, among others).

Here we review the Ice Age floras and faunas found predominantly within the GC but also on adjacent rims made by the Coconino, Kaibab, Kanab, Uinkaret, Shivwits, and Hualapai plateaus in addition to the Marble Platform at the up-river end of GC. The Grand Canyon includes land administered by the Havasupai, Hualapai, and Navajo Indian tribes along with federal lands managed by National Park Service (Grand Canyon National Park, Lake Mead National Recreation Area), Bureau of Land Management (Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument), and US Forest Service (Coconino and Kaibab National Forests). The GC and its Colorado River corridor extends nearly 448 km (278 mi) in length and encompasses an area of about 4,921 km² (1,900 mi²).

The preservation potential of Ice Age fossil deposits within the confines of the GC is limited due to active downcutting, steep canyon walls, abundant mass wasting, and periodic catastrophic flooding. Occasionally one can find some perched Ice Age alluvium that has been spared being flushed by subsequent floods down to the Gulf of Mexico. What has been the "gold mine" for Ice Age preservation are the dry caves created in the numerous limestone rock formations coupled with the arid climate. For details about the geology and overall history of the region, see the Geology and Stratigraphy chapter in this report or Beus and Morales (2003).

There are a variety of geochemical analyses used to assess the age of the various deposits found throughout the GC. For the Ice Age fossils of preserved organic remains researchers typically use radiocarbon dating (¹⁴C, radiometric dating). This isotopic dating technique is accurate for only about the most recent 50,000 years. Over the past couple of decades the technique has been refined and now researchers refer to ages in "calibrated" (or corrected) years before present (cal yr BP). "Before present" is expressed as pre-1950 (pre-atomic bomb) and can be thought of in terms of "years ago". In the 1970s and 1980s a researcher would need enough organic remains to fill an old 35-mm film can in order to obtain an accurate radiocarbon age. Now, with a technique called accelerator mass spectrometry (AMS), a researcher can use a single seed or piece of wood the size of a pin head. In the review below of fossil localities, the established age range will be presented. The interested

reader who wants to know more details about the chronology will need to go to the original publications provided in the literature cited.

Preservation Scenarios (Taphonomy)

River Corridor Sediments

Much has been written about the Colorado River and its evolution in the GC region (e.g., chapters in Young and Spamer 2001; Beus and Morales 2003). Tobin et al. (in press) provide a detailed overview of the karst system model as one of the primary drivers of canyon development and stream piracy. Critical for the preservation of the fossil record is a preserved depositional environment. The fairly narrow river corridor offers few places where fluvial and alluvial sediments can persist for a long period of time. Periodic floods have occurred along the river corridor, especially related to the series of lava dams that were positioned in the west region of the GC (Hamblin 1994; Fenton et al. 2002). Damming with sediment infilling (along with outburst-flood deposits) within the GC has permitted select side canyons to preserve some of the perched alluvial deposits (although some of these observed units might be related to spring-fed deposition and not flood debris; see Kaufman et al. 2002 and references within). These rare sedimentary deposits hold a record of select Grand Canyon past environments.

Dry Caves

Cave morphology throughout the GC can be separated into two distinct groups: 1) caves formed under confined hydrogeologic conditions (i.e., phreatic zone, saturated, below water table) and 2) those formed under unconfined conditions (i.e., vadose, unsaturated zone; Hill and Polyak 2010). Those formed under confined conditions are typically older, dry today, and removed from current hydrologic processes and are typically assumed to have formed either during or prior to river corridor incision. Unconfined caves are being formed currently, are a part of the karst groundwater system of the region and are actively recharged from precipitation on the surrounding plateaus. These differing conditions have resulted in a dichotomy of cave morphology in GC (Huntoon 2000).

Some of the oldest and most impressive cave systems in the area are formed in the upper members of the Redwall Limestone (see overview in Tobin et al. in press). Dating of mammillary cave formations in some of these caves places their formation prior to 1.6 to 3.7 million years ago (Polyak et al. 2008). These caves form along regional fracture patterns, resulting in two-dimensional maze caves with minimal vertical development, except in rare cases. These "maze caves" formed under phreatic conditions (Hill 2010) and follow regional hydrologic gradients, ultimately emerging in the canyon. As the canyon incised, the water table dropped, resulting in the dewatering of these cave systems and exposing cave entrances along canyon walls. There are competing hypotheses on their formation with observations supporting both: epigenic processes (Huntoon 2000) versus hypogenic processes (Hill and Polyak 2010).

Due to the dry nature of these "confined" caves, they often provide the best environment for preservation of paleontological resources from the Pleistocene to recent times. The nature of the known entrances to these caves also plays a major role in what species are most likely to be preserved within them. Since these caves were exposed to the surface environment due to canyon incision, the entrances are typically in cliff faces with hundreds of feet of cliff above and below. This

results in a limited variety of species that can actively use them. These species typically include birds, bats, packrats, ringtails, and an extinct mountain goat. When these dry caves have easier access, evidence of a wider array of species can be found that utilized them, including ground sloths, carnivores of many types, tortoises, and other forms of Pleistocene fauna.

Ongoing cave development is evident throughout the region as well. While these "unconfined" caves are more sporadically distributed throughout the park, many large springs are tied to them. The speleogenesis of these caves is much simpler than the confined systems, following the typical model of epigenic karst development. As with caves at the top of the Redwall Limestone, these caves follow regional structural patterns. Water is sourced directly from precipitation that recharges the aquifer via sinkholes on the surrounding plateaus. These regional aquifers appear to have a distributary pattern (Jones et al. 2018), with individual sinkholes tied to multiple springs. Springs on either side of the Colorado River have distinct flow patterns (Tobin et al. 2018), resulting in vastly different spring morphologies, with only aquifers on the north side of the Colorado River having significant cave development. Due to the increased moisture in these caves, they typically have minimal paleontological resources, with the majority that have been noted tied to packrat (typically nearer the drier entrance) and bat use.

What makes the greater Grand Canyon region unique in the Southwest is the abundance of dry caves. The development of these confined caves helps keep the cave and its contents dry, but having the climate and environment outside arid is equally as critical for preservation of Pleistocene-age fossils. A case in point: a horizontal crevice a mere 20 cm (8 in) in from the dripline can preserve packrat middens (see below) for over 30,000 years.

Packrat Middens

Packrats (trade rats, woodrats) are a genus of rodent (Rodentia, Cricetidae, *Neotoma*) with about 20 species with distributions from Alaska to southern Mexico (Vaughan 1990). There are more species of packrats whose distributions include the greater Grand Canyon area than any other region for the genus. They all have the habit of making a nest and den along with the construction of debris piles over the living areas (Dial and Czaplewski 1990; Finley 1990). Materials for these debris piles include a wide diversity of plant remains (such as leaves, twigs, flowers, thorns, bark, and seeds), dung, bones, and rocks—typically all gathered from within 100 m (330 ft) of the nest (Spaulding et al. 1990). Faunal remains recovered from the debris piles are not all necessarily of local origin (especially when sourced from carnivore dung, regurgitated pellets, and raptor and vulturid nests; Figure 11-1) (Mead 2005). These nests and dens can be created in caves, crevices, overhanging rock ledges, and rockshelters. As long as the middens are protected from direct precipitation, the contents are preserved.

As the packrat uses the den and nest, it cleans the passageways and reassembles the pile of debris on top. In so doing, what looks like a mine tailing dump develops along the edge of the constructed mound. Over time this mound, containing all of the contents collected by the packrat along with its dung is incorporated into a mixed heap of debris and then is scent-marked with its urine. Repeated urination on the debris pile ultimately cements all the material into a rock-hard mass (concentrated urine is called "amberat"); the cemented debris pile is called a "midden" (Figure 11-2).

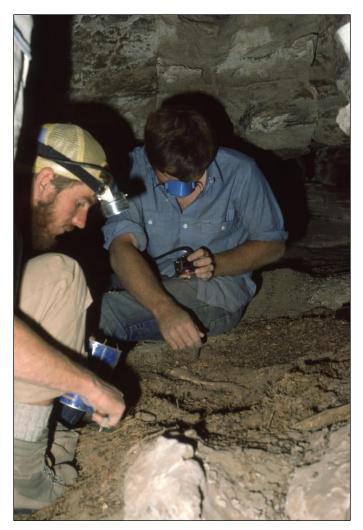


Figure 11-1. Steve Emslie (right) and Larry Coats (left) excavating a condor (*Gymnogyps*) nest and skeletal remains reclaimed by a packrat and made into a midden, Sandblast Cave, 1984 (EMILEE MEAD).

Some of the earliest paleoecological studies of the American Southwest using packrat middens began in the GC (Phillips and Van Devender 1974; Van Devender and Mead 1976). The entire GC has not been assessed for packrat middens and their paleoecological data; rather, research has been limited to select regions primarily in the eastern half. Major study areas are typically along the river corridor and in side canyons such as Stanton's Cave (Dryer 1994), Little Nankoweap Canyon (Mead et al. 2003), Chuar (Cole 1982, 1990), Hance Canyon and Horseshoe Mesa (Cole 1982, 1990), and Rampart Cave, Vulture Cave, and surrounding canyons (Phillips and Van Devender 1974; Mead and Phillips 1981; Phillips 1984; Spaulding 1990).



Figure 11-2. A juvenile extinct Harrington's mountain goat (*Oreamnos harringtoni*) skull in a packrat midden, Stevens Cave, 1984 (EMILEE MEAD).

These preserved middens are valuable for a number of reasons. Each can be accurately radiocarbon dated. They contain abundant macrobotanical remains typically from within the home range of less than 100 m (330 ft) (Spaulding et al. 1990). Multiple species of macrobotanical remains can be independently radiocarbon dated to produce accurate coeval habitat reconstructions. Microfaunal fossils found associated with botanical remains often include the delicate skeletal remains of the local herpetofauna, species often not found in typical alluvial localities due to the abrasive nature of deposition. Interestingly, radiocarbon-dated packrat middens were used to determine the rates of cliff retreat in the eastern GRCA (Cole and Mayer 1982).

Taxonomic Groups

Appendix 11-A presents a list of known biotic remains recovered from Pleistocene deposits in the GC region. The list presents taxa by primary publication resource and not by locality (which can be determined from the primary reference).

Plants

Due to the numerous dry cave and rockshelter localities coupled with the overall arid environment, Pleistocene-age plant remains are plentiful within each packrat midden unit. Packrats are basically browsers, over-selecting the woody and herbaceous plants but typically underrepresenting the graze species such as the grasses. Although equally as well-preserved as the macrobotanical fossil, pollen remains from the region have been less frequently utilized for paleoenvironmental reconstructions. Martin et al. (1961) recovered pollen from Shasta ground sloth dung in Rampart Cave. Pollen frequencies recovered from sediments were compared to pollen counts from artiodactyl dung pellets and macrobotanical remains from the same sediments from test pits in Bida and Kaetan caves (see below; O'Rourke and Mead 1985). Pollen and microhistological remains from dung were also compared to fossils from test pits in Stanton's Cave (Robbins et al. 1984; see Hansen 1974 about technique). Pollen assemblages and associated plant macrofossils from packrat middens do reflect similar vegetation signals but this still needs to be further assessed for future paleoecological remains and pollen from packrat middens and also assess the pollen and microhistological remains from dung also in the midden, hopefully selecting not only packrat pellets but also dung from potential grazers.

Invertebrates

The recovery and study of Ice Age and Holocene-age mollusks from the GC is still in its infancy. The extant taxa and their distributions are well studied from a few localities, primarily from the work of Pilsbry and Ferriss (1911). Spamer and Bogan (1993) provided a critical overview of the extant taxa. Spamer (1993) and Spamer and Bogan (1993) synthesized the known late Pleistocene malacofaunas (molluscan faunas) and emphasized that much is yet to be understood about the mollusks of the region dating to the last glacial and early Holocene. Kaufman et al. (2002) provide a few more records but still illustrate that the Pleistocene molluscan faunas are not adequately studied. Mollusks have also been incorporated into packrat middens (Cole and Mead 1981). Ostracodes are equally as poorly understood in the GC region (Kaufman et al. 2002). The record of Pleistocene arthropods is restricted to those fossils recovered from dry-preserved packrat midden and cave sediment localities (Elias et al. 1992), and again, the group as a whole for the Ice Age is poorly understood. The single discussion about nematodes comes from a study of dry-preserved sloth dung from Rampart Cave (Schmidt et al. 1992).

Vertebrates

The recovery and study of vertebrates from the GC is much more voluminous and well understood than the invertebrates. Appendix 11-A provides an extensive list of the fossils and relevant citations. The first study of the Pleistocene vertebrates in the GC occurred at Rampart Cave (see below) following the discovery of Shasta ground sloth dung (Evans 1936; Laudermilk and Munz 1938; Hansen 1978). Vertebrate remains include skeletal elements, dung, hair, dermal scales, and occasionally entire mummified animals (Figure 11-3). These fossils are recovered from cave sediments, dung mats (both bat and artiodactyl), packrat middens, owl pellets, raptor nests, and ringtail refuse areas (e.g., Mead and Van Devender 1981; Mead 2005).

A number of studies have been made of the Pleistocene vertebrate remains but there is only one comprehensive, albeit outdated, overview (Mead 1981; see review in Kenworthy et al. 2004). The Pleistocene record of amphibians (anurans and salamanders) is non-existent for the GC. The record of turtles is exceedingly rare and occurs only from cave and midden deposits in the far western river corridor (Rampart and Vulture caves; see below). Lizards and snakes are abundant in the record due to the presence of their remains in dry cave deposits and packrat middens from throughout the GC.

Some of the first or only fossil records of select squamate species come from packrat middens. Birds are fairly well represented due to the in-depth records from Rampart and Stanton's caves and localities in the Sandblast Cave area (see below; Emslie 1988), but there is a bias toward the river corridor avifauna.



Figure 11-3. A mummified myotid bat at its last perch among the gypsum crystals in Double Bopper Cave (NPS/SHAWN THOMAS).

Mammals are equally as well represented as the birds. Entrances to a number of the cave localities is inaccessible to most mammals due to their locations high on cliff faces (Figure 11-4). Only the best cliff climbers (mountain goats, packrats, ringtails) and fliers (bats) gain entrance to some of these caves. With all the caves in the GC, studies of extant and ancient bats and their guano (dung) deposits are abundant (e.g., Wurster et al. 2008; Pape 2014), with a number of mummified remains beginning to be studied in detail (e.g., Mead and Mikesic 2001; see Double Bopper Cave below). A number of medium to large mammals (some extinct) are reported from various caves throughout the GC region, both within the river corridor and above the Tonto Platform mid-canyon, including Shasta ground sloth (*Nothrotheriops shastensis*), camel (*Camelops* sp.)., Harrington's mountain goat (*Oreamnos harringtoni*), bighorn (*Ovis canadensis*), bison (*Bison* sp.), and horse (*Equus* sp.) (Mead 1981).

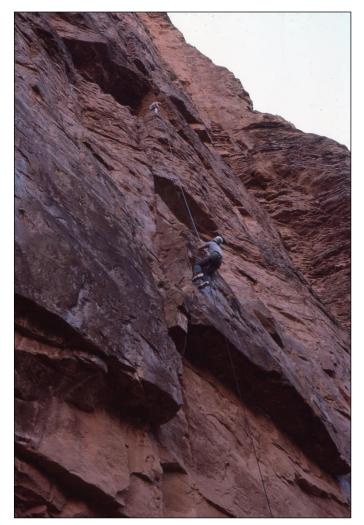


Figure 11-4. Ascending into Skylight Cave, 1984 (EMILEE MEAD).

Select Localities

Not all caves and packrat midden localities will be described here, only those with a more complex, unusual, and/or diverse fossil assemblage story. The descriptions below are arranged based on their approximate down-canyon/river location, beginning up-river.

Stanton's Cave and Skull Cave

Stanton's Cave (named after Robert Brewster Stanton) is a large Redwall Limestone (Mississippian) cavern along the Marble Canyon river corridor. Nearby is Vasey's Paradise (named after George Vasey, a friend of John Wesley Powell), a gushet spring flowing into the river (Springer et al. 2008) that appears to show how Stanton's Cave was formed in the distant past. The cave has a long history of use in part due to easy access from the river and from the canyon rim country above via nearby South Canyon. Euler (1984) provides a synthesis of the historic and prehistoric use of the cave. Much of the surface deposit is composed of Holocene-age sediments containing bighorn (*Ovis canadensis*) dung and archaeological artifacts. Excavations in 1969–1970 produced a wealth of archaeological and paleontological information (see chapters in Euler 1984). Dryer (1994) produced a research

project on the packrat middens recovered from the back room of the cave—an area not thoroughly studied previously. The dry environment within the cave provided a wealth of information about the extinct *Oreannos harringtoni* with the preservation of horn sheaths and dung (Mead et al. 1986; Mead and Lawler 1994). Today, a large steel lattice keeps human visitors from entering the cave but bats and other animals can still utilize the cave.

Packrat middens from the back of the cavern produced ¹⁴C ages ranging from about 11,000 to 35,000 years ago (Dryer 1994). Radiocarbon dates on dung, wood, and a bone of an extinct bird (*Teratornis*) produced ages ranging from as young as 1,500 to as old as about 17,000 (uncorrected) yr B.P.; drift wood at the base of the sediments dated to > 35,000 years old (Robbins et al. 1984).

Skull Cave is a rather small cavern that divides into three separate passages (Emslie 1988). Analysis of three test pits indicated that for the most part the cave was used by packrats and birds, producing an impressive avifauna (Emslie 1988). Only a few radiometric ages provide a preliminary chronology via a uranium series date on anhydrite from test pit sediments and AMS ages obtained from packrat pellets. All ages are less than 20,000 yr B.P.

Sandblast Cave and Nearby Caves

A series of cliff-entrance caves can be found in the exposed Redwall Limestone in the Marble Canyon river corridor. Probably the most significant locality is Sandblast Cave (Figure 11-5) which is a grouping of crevices and tunnels (Emslie 1988). Excavations produced important data about the condor (*Gymnogyps californianus*, including a preserved nest; Figure 11-1) in addition to specimens of the extinct mountain goat, bison, camel, and horse, along with the only reported mammoth remains from the GC; these large mammal remains are thought to be remnants of food items brought in by condors (Emslie 1987, 1988; Mead et al. 2003). Other caves with fossils in the corridor stretch include Skylight (Figure 11-4) and Hummingbird caves, among others (Emslie 1987). Radiocarbon ages on *Gymnogyps* skeletal remains range from about 10,000 to 13,000 (uncorrected) yr B.P. ¹⁴C ages on packrat middens and *Oreannos* dung are all older than 30,000 and wood dating in excess of 40,000 yr B.P. (Emslie 1987, Mead et al. 2003).

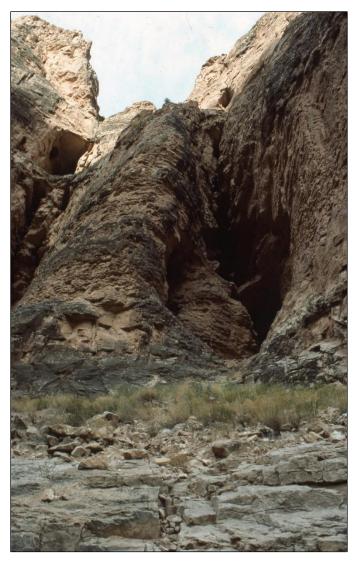


Figure 11-5. Close-up of the entrance to Sandblast Cave showing the series of openings, 1984 (EMILEE MEAD).

Little Nankoweap

The Little Nankoweap drainage is known to have countless caves, many containing important archaeological and paleontological remains (Emslie et al. 1987; Mead and Lawler 1994; Emslie et al. 1995). Crescendo (CC:5:1), Rebound (CC:5:5), Left and Right Eye, Five-Windows (CC:5:2), Shrine (CC:5:3), and Stevens (CC:5:4; Figure 11-6) caves have been the most intensely studied and described, but many chambers and passageways in these caves still contain numerous areas and deposits that remain to be fully analyzed. Besides data on condors (Emslie 1987, 1988), a series of packrat middens produced copious plant macrofossils (Coats et al. 2008) and faunal remains (Carpenter and Mead 2000; Mead et al. 2003). The entrances to most of these caves are on the sheer cliff face of the Redwall Limestone well out of the main river corridor. Some of the flora and fauna (e.g., extinct camel and the extinct shrubox *Euceratherium collinum*) recovered from these cave deposits likely represent inhabitants of the flat plateau surface immediately above (Figure 11-7),

which also provide access to the higher plateaus of the North Rim, and not the narrow, steep river corridor and side-canyons. A number of the caves have multiple packrat middens and *Oreannos* dung remains dating from about 11,000 to 46,000 yr B.P. (Mead et al. 2003).



Figure 11-6. Stevens Cave entrance located high on the cliff face of the Redwall Limestone, 1984 (EMILEE MEAD).



Figure 11-7. An expansive flat region exists above the Redwall Limestone caves in the Little Nankoweap Canyon region. With access from the higher North Rim plateau region above, large artiodactyls such as camels (*Camelops*), shrubox (*Euceratherium*), and bison (*Bison*), not cliff-climbers, were able to easily enter into portions of the eastern Grand Canyon (JIM MEAD).

Hance Canyon and Horseshoe Mesa

A series of packrat middens from Bida Cave were described by Cole (1981, 1985). Faunal remains from the middens were reported in Cole and Mead (1981). Surface remains and a test pit produced a wealth of information about the skeleton, diet, and habitat of *Oreannos harringtoni* (Mead 1983; O'Rourke and Mead 1985; Mead et al. 1986; Mead, Martin et al. 1986; Mead and Lawler 1994). The cave is extensive, with the lower entrance a large, gaping cavern. At the point where the main cavern turns and narrows into a tunnel and all outside light ceases, bedding depressions are littered with *O. harringtoni* dung (Mead 1983). The cave system goes through a series of small tubes and large rooms, many with additional fossil and subfossil remains that have yet to be fully documented and studied. Ultimately the cave emerges at the top of the Redwall Limestone as a small entrance providing rare access through the cliff to the Inner Gorge region.

Multiple packrat middens have been dated from Bida Cave ranging from 8,000 to about 13,000 (uncorrected) yr B.P. (Cole 1981). *Oreamnos* dung and keratinous horn sheaths range in ¹⁴C age from 12,000 to about 25,000 (uncorrected) yr B.P. (Mead 1983; Mead et al. 1986).

The caves and dry crevices of Horseshoe Mesa up Hance and Cottonwood canyons have been studied speleologically and to a certain extent archaeologically (see Farmer and deSaussure 1955), but are

poorly known paleontologically. Ancient packrat middens were recovered from many areas in these two canyons and a few across the river (Cole 1985). Cole (1981, 1990) reviews all the radiocarbon ages from multiple packrat midden dating from about 10,000 to 35,000 (uncorrected) years old.

Cremation Creek Caves

The first realization that many caves preserve organic remains for a long period of time came with the report of split-twig figure artifacts at sites on Cremation Creek (Farmer and deSaussure 1955). The greater Cremation Creek provides a number of caves that were explored in the early 1950s and found to contain Ice Age fossils. Marmot (*Marmota*) remains (not found in the region today at these elevations) were recovered in Tse-an Olje, Cylinder, Tse-an Kaetan, and Tooth caves (Lange 1956; among other caves across the river). Caves being explored in the 1950s were to be kept secret so the names applied by Lange (1956) and deSaussure (1956) were given in the Navajo (Dinéh) language; tsé'áán refers to "rock cave".

Only Kaetan Cave ("prayer stick cave"; Figure 11-8) in this area is fairly well studied; it is a small cavern with abundant archaeological material in the entrance chamber (Schwartz et al. 1958). Although the cave has a dry entrance chamber, it becomes wet further in with pools. Because of the exploration in 1955 for split-twig figures, Schwartz et al. (1958) also provided the earliest Ice Age palynological analysis in the GC. This then pointed the way for further work in the cave in the late 1970s (Mead 1983; O'Rourke and Mead 1985). An owl roost deposit in the cave was sampled but never studied and remains to be examined. As with Bida Cave, *Oreannos harringtoni* remains were abundant (Mead and Lawler 1994). Packrat middens with plant and micromammal remains are ¹⁴C 15,000 to 19,000 (uncorrected) yr B.P. A stratified test pit produced uncorrected ages from 14,000 to 30,000 yr B.P. An owl roost deposit may date back to 21,000 yr B.P. (Mead 1983).

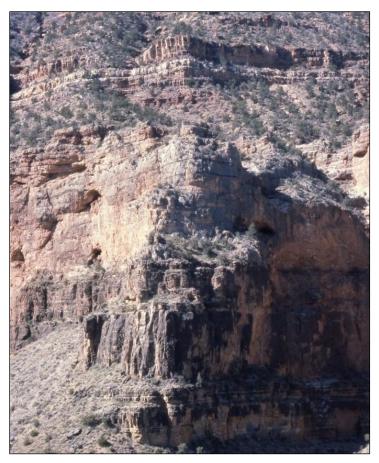


Figure 11-8. Entrance to Kaetan Cave, 1980 (JIM MEAD).

Double Bopper Cave

Double Bopper Cave is the longest known cave in GRCA. This cave developed in Redwall Limestone, and is located in a remote part of the north rim (Figure 11-9). Difficult to access and largely hidden from view, the cave was only discovered in 2008. Annual expeditions have mapped over 64 km (40 mi) of passage, making it the longest known cave in Arizona and among the 50 longest caves in the world. The cave is still being actively mapped, so the length will continue to increase with future exploration. Double Bopper Cave is a maze cave characterized by rectilinear, joint-controlled passage development (see Tobin et al. in press). Parallel primary passages are large and relatively easy to travel through. Between these primary corridors, smaller passages connect the parallels, sometimes with dense and complicated cave development. The cave is predominantly horizontal, though there is multi-level development in a few isolated areas with vertical passages connecting the levels. The massive extent of the cave and diversity of passage sizes provides a considerable amount of habitat for subterranean wildlife.



Figure 11-9. The two main entrances to Double Bopper Cave. Only the best of climbers and fliers can enter the cave via these entrances. Note that the green dot below the right entrance is a person entering the cave (NPS/SHAWN THOMAS).

One of the most unique features of Double Bopper Cave is the abundance of mummified bats, which are typically rare or altogether absent from other GRCA caves. Bats still actively use the cave with flyways indicated by fresh guano deposits. However, live bats are rarely seen in the cave aside from bats exiting the main entrance at dusk and occasional solitary individuals in torpor. Mummified bats occur throughout the cave, especially along the larger parallel passages. Mummies are typically found clinging to walls and secondary gypsum formations but are also found scattered on the ground. The stable microclimate conditions in the cave, with low relative humidity (typically 35–45%), have likely persisted for thousands of years, making for excellent preservation of specimens. Most mummified bats can be identified to species, possessing intact skin and fur, and many mummy specimens "roosting" on walls cannot immediately be distinguished from live bats without closer examination (Figure 11-3).

Though a complete census has not been conducted, estimates from survey teams suggest the cave contains many hundreds to thousands of bat mummies. At least eight bat species have been identified in the cave. Townsend's big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii*), a cave-obligate species, is the most common. Less abundant but still commonly observed are pallid bats (*Antrozous pallidus*), big

brown bats (*Eptesicus fuscus*), and myotid species (*Myotis* spp.). Canyon bats (*Parastrellus hesperus*) and free-tailed bats (*Tadarida brasiliensis* and possibly *Nyctinomops femorosaccus*) are also present. The rarest species, consisting of only a few specimens, include hoary bats (*Lasiurus cinereus*) and silver-haired bats (*Lasionycteris noctivagans*), which is unusual in that these species are typically considered tree-dwelling bats. A nearby cave, Leandras Cave, also contains abundant bat mummies but with a suspected higher proportion of hoary bats and silver-haired bats (future inventory work is being planned to answer this question). Radiocarbon dating of a subset of bat mummy tissues collected from Double Bopper Cave yielded ages ranging from 3,500 to 33,650 yr B.P., demonstrating long-term use of the cave by bats.

Double Bopper Cave also contains mummified remains of other mammals. Packrats (*Neotoma* spp.) are far outnumbered by bats but still common. Several ringtail (*Bassariscus astutus*) specimens have been found deep in the cave in excellent states of preservation (Figure 11-10) but have not been radiocarbon dated yet. Other skeletonized specimens have yet to be fully assessed, including one gray fox (*Urocyon cinereoargenteus*; Figure 11-11). Inventory and carbon dating continue for paleontological resources in Double Bopper Cave.



Figure 11-10. A mummified ringtail (*Bassariscus astutus*) from Double Bopper Cave. With the carcass still with all its hair and it only being slightly modified in color, the age of this individual is likely fairly recent. Other carcasses of this taxon in the cave will be radiocarbon dated (NPS/SHAWN THOMAS).



Figure 11-11. An articulated gray fox skeleton (not radiocarbon dated) from Double Bopper Cave (NPS/SHAWN THOMAS).

Rampart, Muav, and Vulture Caves

Rampart, Muav, and Vulture caves are located in the far western end of the GC not far from where the river exits the Colorado Plateau and heads across the Basin and Range Province. This series of caves and packrat midden studies are about 305 km (190 mi) west of the other well-known fossil localities mentioned above. Only a few packrat midden localities have been found in between (Van Devender and Mead 1976; Cole 1985).

The entrance to Rampart Cave is a fair distance up a long, steep talus slope from the Colorado River. Today there is a short inclined climb into the cave, but there may have been more of a subtle ramp into the cave during the Pleistocene based on the occurrence of Shasta ground sloth and tortoise remains in the deposit.

The cave was the first location studied in the GC for Pleistocene biotic remains. In 1936 the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corp) produced a few test pits (Figure 11-12). Laudermilk and Munz (1938) described the plant remains from the dry-preserved dung. Subsequent excavation in the cave was made by Remington Kellogg of the National Museum of Natural History in 1942. Preliminary description of the faunal remains was published by Wilson (1942). Martin et al. (1961) provided the

first detailed paleoenvironmental and chronological study of cave contents with the analysis of dung from the 1956 Shutler Profile. A detailed analysis of radiocarbon-dated sloth dung was produced by Long and Martin (1974; Long et al. 1974). Fortunately, the Kellogg test trench was excavated to the limestone cave floor, because in 1976–1977 the bulk (~70%) of the deposit was destroyed by a smoldering fire set by an unauthorized visitor. The test trench produced a fire break saving some of this non-renewable fossil deposit. An exhaustive history of the various field studies in the cave (including field notes, early photographs, and the relocation of field maps) and an assessment of the remaining, unburned deposit was presented in Carpenter (2004). The entrance today requires permission and a key to open the steel gate. Studies of packrat middens from Rampart Cave and a multitude of isolated limestone crevice localities in a number of nearby canyons were published by Phillips (Phillips and Van Devender 1974; Mead and Phillips 1981; Phillips 1984). Sloth dung from the 1.5 m (5 ft) deep deposit produced ages from as young at 11,000 (uncorrected) years old, back to greater than 40,000 (Long and Martin 1974).

Muav Caves is a series of small tubes just above the pre-dam river level and now just above the highstand of Lake Mead. The caves are best known for the remains of Shasta ground sloth (Long and Martin 1974; Long et al. 1974). Although some test pits were made in the cave entrance long ago, very little is understood about the contents of the deposits. In some crevices below these caves are a series of packrat middens and ringtail refuse den deposits in the Whipple Cliffs, but these remains have not been published at this time (Mead et al. in progress).

Vulture Cave is primarily a low crawlway along short passageways, but all areas are heavily congested with a multitude of packrat middens, floor deposits, and ringtail den debris (Mead and Phillips 1981; Mead and Van Devender 1981). Besides remains of *Gymnogyps californianus*, *Cathartes aura* (turkey vulture), and *Camelops* sp. the deposits provided a wealth of information about the Ice Age desert and woodland herpetofauna (Mead and Phillips 1981). Packrat midden contents ranged in age from 1,100 to 33,000 (uncorrected) yr B.P. (Mead and Phillips 1981). Important herpetological data came from a ringtail den ¹⁴C dated to 2,000 yr B.P. (Mead and Van Devender 1981).

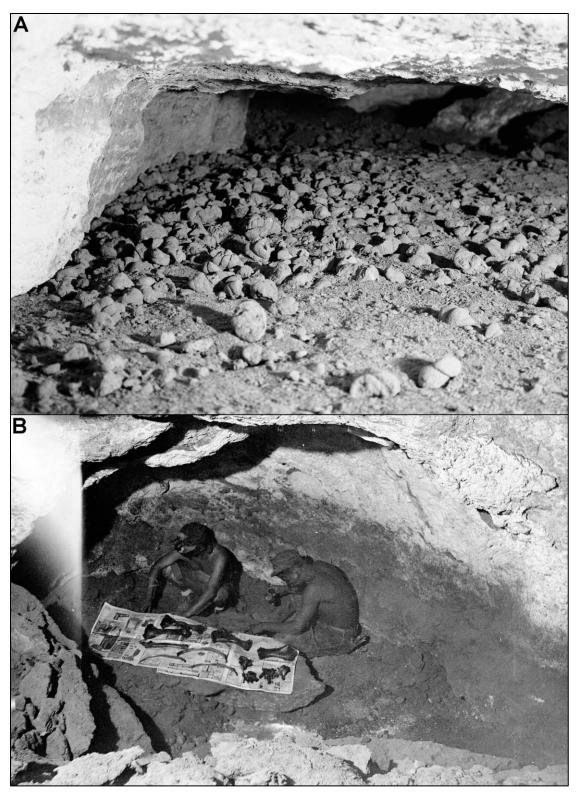


Figure 11-12. Rampart Cave in the 1930s. **A.** Photograph by the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corp) of the Shasta sloth (*Nothrotheriops shastensis*) dung deposit prior to excavation in the 1930s and the fire in 1975–1976. **B.** Photograph of the CCC excavating a Shasta sloth skeleton from the dung deposit in the 1930s.

Environments and Climate Discussion

When one thinks of the GC, it is often visualized as an uncomplicated, sinuous, deep gorge east to west, with high elevations with forests at the rims, and low elevations with hot desert habitats along the roaring river at its spine down below. Conceptually this viewpoint may be good, but the real understanding is that the modern canyon is truly complex in all aspects, and this was equally true during the Pleistocene. The eastern region is distinctly different from the western end—climatically, ecologically, and geologically. The differences are in the details. To understand the record of the Pleistocene (Ice Age), preservation is at the core to the recovery of the details. Any cave or shelter with the occurrence of split-twig figures (e.g., Farmer and deSaussure 1955; Emslie et al. 1995) illustrates that preservation of these Archaic cultural remains in the chamber is ideal enough that Ice Age remains are more than likely also present and the cavern should be assessed for them as well. Split-twig figures are part of the Archaic culture that occurred throughout the GC region and elsewhere on the Colorado Plateau, all since the Ice Age and within the Holocene. Overviews of this cultural period as it relates to the GC region can be found in Geib (1995), Huckell (1986), and Janetski et al. 2012).

The CP is a distinct physiographic province, straddling the present transition between summer-wet climatic regimes to the south and summer-dry climatic regimes to the north. With the tremendous topographic diversity of the region, there are extremes in available habitats and plant communities today; and these attributes were certainly expressed with the Ice Age climate regimes. Anderson et al. (2000) provides a detailed synthesis of many southern CP late Ice Age localities for paleoclimatic and paleobotanic reconstructions.

The data about world-wide changes in temperature are derived from deep sea core samples. A multitude of fossil forms have been used to create a world-wide record of climate and temperature changes. Different phases are grouped into like clusters termed marine isotope stages (MIS) or oxygen isotope stages (OIS) (see Cronin 2010; Bradley 2015, 3rd edition). For the GC region, the preserved dataset permits one to examine MIS 1 (14,059 cal. yr BP to present), MIS 2 (27,500–14,060 cal yr BP, and MIS 3 (59,000–27,501 cal yr BP). Clearly much of the Pleistocene (~2.59 million to 11,000 years ago) is not understood. More is known for other regions on the CP, but these deposits are not to be recovered in the GC.

Some of the best high elevation paleoecological data comes from stratified sediment cores taken from lakes that are not found within the limestone region of the GC, but elsewhere on the southern CP (Potato Lake, Anderson 1993; Walker Lake, see Anderson et al. 2000, for detailed discussion of dataset; Hay Lake, Jacobs 1985).

Data about MIS 2 and MIS 3 plant communities above about 2,800 m (9,190 ft) elevation are presently not fully understood. Lake-core pollen records at about 2,700 m (8,860 ft) suggest that during MIS 3 high-elevation pine species (perhaps bristlecone and or limber) mixed with Engelmann spruce and subalpine fir created an open forest, possibly with sagebrush growing in open areas. Calculated average summer temperatures were about 3–4°C cooler during MIS 3 than at present (Anderson et al. 2000).

The knowledge of plant communities between 1,600–2,100 m (5,250–6,890 ft) elevation is minimal due to the lack of fossil data. One thing is consistent with the preserved macrobotanical record, there is a lack of ponderosa pine from MIS 3–2. Below 1,500 m (4,940 ft) elevation to about 450 m (1,380 ft) a juniper-desertscrub open woodland persisted, including sagebrush, prickly pear cactus, agave, and, lower down, saltbush. Looking down into the GC during the Ice Age, one would be overwhelmed with this open woodland desertscrub community growing clear to the river's edge. Side canyons would have stands of Douglas fir and white fir in the wetter habitats. A mixed-conifer forest (montane conifers) with limber pine, white fir, and Douglas fir occupied the upper slopes, buttes, and rim county.

The transition from MIS 2 to MIS 1 (~14,000 cal yr BP) occurred with a major reorganization of the plant communities from rim to river. Many species of mixed-conifer forest retreated upslope to attain their near-current elevation distributions. Ponderosa pine quickly became established across middle elevations, as they are today. At lower elevations desertscrub communities replaced the juniper woodlands. All species did not move in concert to these climate-induced changes; instead, what is observed is a mosaic change. Figure 11-13 shows diagrammatically the inferred elevational distribution of plant communities in and adjacent to the GC during the most recent approximately 50,000 years. The data seem to imply that during the last glacial, the southern position of the jet stream, a cooler tropical ocean, and a heavy spring snowpack over the CP and adjacent Colorado Rocky Mountains probably conspired to suppress the monsoonal flow pattern (Anderson et al. 2000). During this time the seasonality of precipitation appears to have been dampened to predominate during the winter storms. The change to a summer precipitation maximum at the beginning of MIS 1 may be recorded by the sudden appearance and rapid migration of ponderosa pine across the southern CP. Data suggest that the mean depression of late glacial temperatures was at least 5° C (~9° F) colder than today (Anderson et al. 2000).

The vertebrate species were likewise responding not only to the temperature and precipitation changes (i.e., they are affected directly by these parameters) as discussed above but also to the modifications to the local plant community changes (i.e., their food source and/or their habitat requirements). Some species were not directly affected by these parameters and have not changed their distribution within the greater GC region, such as the bighorn, possibly the bison, and Gila monster (*Heloderma suspectum*). Other species appear to have moved up in elevation but stayed within the overall region (some species of voles), or moved out of the GC region to other areas of the continent (*Gymnogyps californianus*), or died out completely (extinction occurred), such as *Oreannos harringtoni, Euceratherium collinum, Nothrotheriops shastensis, Camelops* sp., and likely some carnivores.

The trends in climate and climate-induced biotic changes over the most recent 50,000 years are based on the data discussed above. It must be remembered that these statements are based on an incomplete fossil record, both through time and for the length of the GC. Packrat midden and dry-preserved cave data have at least a 360 km (190 mi) gap beginning in the eastern GC and going throughout much of the western GC. Most of the above data is really the eastern GC. Data are sparse to almost nonexistent for the Hualapai Plateau on the southwest end of the GC. The topographic structure of the northwestern GC (Shivwitts and Uinkaret plateaus) is completely different than the eastern GC so it should be expected that biotic communities and climate responses would have been different over the past 50,000 years. Much still needs to be recovered and assessed to understand the details surrounding this rapid and critical change in climate along with plant community distributional changes for the greater GC.

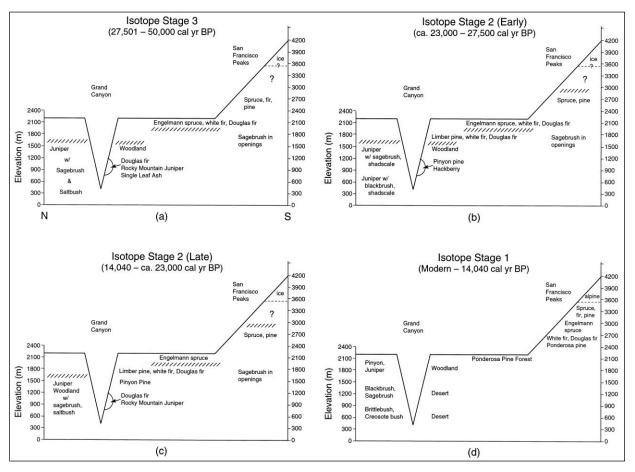


Figure 11-13. Inferred elevational distribution of plant communities within and adjacent to the Grand Canyon during the most recent 50,000 years. Cross-section is a line oriented from the San Francisco Peaks north through the Grand Canyon to the North Rim region (Anderson et al. 2000: Figure 8).

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Appendix 11-A. Grand Canyon Ice Age Taxa

The following tables list plants and animals reported from various Ice Age localities in the greater Grand Canyon (GC), Arizona. Almost all reports are of localities within Grand Canyon National Park (GRCA) itself, although a few localities are just outside of the park (e.g., some mollusks from Kaufman et al. 1992). The tables are set up taxonomically and refer to the publication(s) that discuss each taxon. The publications are included in "Literature Cited". Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named from specimens found within GRCA.

Plants

Ice Age plant taxa reported from the Grand Canyon are listed in Appendix Table 11-A-1.

Appendix Table 11-A-1. Ice Age plant taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Those records that are pollen-only are reported as such; otherwise, records may be macrofossil-only or mixed macrofossil and palynomorph.

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
Polypodiopsida	Equisetaceae	Equisetum sp	Hansen 1978, Robbins et al. 1984
	Pteridaceae	Adiantum capillus-veneris	Laudermilk and Munz 1938
	Pteridaceae	Adiantum sp	Hansen 1978, Robbins et al. 1984
Gnetophyta	Ephedraceae	Ephedra nevadensis	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Hansen 1978
	Ephedraceae	Ephedra nevadensis/viridis	Cole 1985
	Ephedraceae	Ephedra torreyana	Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994
	Ephedraceae	Ephedra viridis	Cole and Mead 1981
	Ephedraceae	Ephedra cf. E. nevadensis	Long et al. 1974, Phillips and Van Devender 1974
	Ephedraceae	<i>Ephedra</i> sp.	Euler 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981, Hevly 1984, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole 1990, Dryer 1994

Appendix Table 11-A-1 (continued). Ice Age plant taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Those records that are pollen-only are reported as such; otherwise, records may be macrofossil-only or mixed macrofossil and palynomorph.

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus communis	Cole 1990, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus monosperma	Coats et al. 2008
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus monosperma and/or J. osteosperma	Phillips and Van Devender 1974
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus osteosperma ¹	Hansen 1978, Cole and Mead 1981, Cole 1982, Cole 1990, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008, Cole et al. 2013
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus scopulorum	Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus cf. J. monosperma	Cole 1985, Cole 1990
	Cupressaceae	Juniperus cf. J. osteosperma	Cole 1985, O'Rourke and Mead 1985
Pinophyta	Cupressaceae	<i>Juniperus</i> sp.	Martin et al. 1961, Van Devender and Mead 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Euler 1978, Mead et al. 1978, Mead et al. 1986, Mead and Phillips 1981, Cole 1982, Ferguson 1984, Hevly 1984, Phillips 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994, Cole et al. 2013
	Cupressaceae	Cupressaceae undetermined	Hansen 1978
	Pinaceae	Abies concolor	Mead et al. 1978, Cole and Mead 1981, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole et al. 2013
	Pinaceae	Abies sp	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986, Dryer 1994
	Pinaceae	Picea engelmannii	Cole 1985
	Pinaceae	Picea engelmannii/pungens	Cole 1990
	Pinaceae	Picea cf. P. pungens	Dryer 1994
	Pinaceae	<i>Picea</i> sp.	Euler 1978, Cole and Mead 1981, Cole 1982, Hevly 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Pinaceae	Pinus cf. P. contorta	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Pinaceae	Pinus edulis	Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Cole and Mead 1981, Ferguson 1984, Cole 1990, Dryer 1994, Cole et al. 2013
	Pinaceae	<i>Pinus</i> cf. <i>P. edulis</i> (late Holocene)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Pinaceae	Pinus edulis var. fallax	Cole et al. 2013

¹ Juniperus californicus var. osteosperma = Juniperus osteosperma

Appendix Table 11-A-1 (continued). Ice Age plant taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Those records that are pollen-only are reported as such; otherwise, records may be macrofossil-only or mixed macrofossil and palynomorph.

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
Pinophyta (continued)	Pinaceae	Pinus flexilis	Cole and Mead 1981, Cole 1982, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Van Devender et al. 1985, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Pinaceae	Pinus cf. P. flexilis	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Pinaceae	Pinus monophylla	Van Devender and Spaulding 1979
	Pinaceae	Pinus ponderosa	Cole 1982, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Pinaceae	Pinus sp.	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986, Coats 1997
	Pinaceae	Pseudotsuga menziesii	Euler 1978, Mead et al. 1978, Cole and Mead 1981, Cole 1982, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Ferguson 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Pinaceae	<i>Pseudotsuga</i> sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Amaranthaceae	Amaranthus cf. A. palmeri	Coats 1997
	Amaranthaceae	Amaranthus sp.	Long et al. 1974
	Amaranthaceae	Amaranthus spp.	Hansen 1978
	Amaranthaceae	Atriplex confertifolia	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Cole and Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Cole 1982, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Phillips 1984, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Amaranthaceae	Atriplex cf. A. confertifolia	Long et al. 1974
	Amaranthaceae	Atriplex cf. A. jonesi (Holocene)	Robbins et al. 1984
Magnoliophyta	Amaranthaceae	Atriplex sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Amaranthaceae	Atriplex spp.	Hansen 1978
	Amaranthaceae	<i>Chenopodium</i> sp. (Holocene only?)	Robbins et al. 1984
	Amaranthaceae	Eurotia lanata	Hansen 1978
	Amaranthaceae	Tidestromia oblongifolia	Long et al. 1974
	Amaranthaceae	Tidestromia spp.	Hansen 1978
	Amaranthaceae	Cheno-am pollen	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Anacardiaceae	Rhus trilobata	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Coats 1997

Appendix Table 11-A-1 (continued). Ice Age plant taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Those records that are pollen-only are reported as such; otherwise, records may be macrofossil-only or mixed macrofossil and palynomorph.

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Anacardiaceae	Rhus sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986, Emslie et al. 1987, Cole 1990, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Apiaceae	Caucalis microcarpa	Phillips 1984
	Apiaceae	Cymopterus sp.	Mead et al. 1986
	Apiaceae	Lomatium sp.	Dryer 1994
	Apiaceae	Apiaceae (or "Umbelliferae") undetermined (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Apocynaceae	Amsonia eastwoodiana	Van Devender et al. 1977
	Apocynaceae	Amsonia tormentosa	Phillips 1984
	Apocynaceae	Amsonia sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Asparagaceae	Agave utahensis	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead et al. 1978, Cole and Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Van Devender et al. 1985, Cole et al. 2013
	Asparagaceae	Agave cf. A. utahensis	Long et al. 1974
	Asparagaceae	<i>Agave</i> sp.	Mead et al. 1978, Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
Manualian buta	Asparagaceae	Agave spp.	Hansen 1978
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Asparagaceae	Nolina microcarpa	Van Devender et al. 1977, Hansen 1978, Mead et al. 1978, Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Asparagaceae	Nolina cf. N. parryi	Phillips and Van Devender 1974
	Asparagaceae	<i>Nolina</i> sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Long et al. 1974, Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Asparagaceae	Yucca angustissima	Robbins et al. 1984, Cole 1990, Dryer 1994
	Asparagaceae	Yucca baccata	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Coats 1997
	Asparagaceae	Yucca brevifolia	Van Devender et al. 1977
	Asparagaceae	Yucca mohavensis	Laudermilk and Munz 1938
	Asparagaceae	Yucca schidigera	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Asparagaceae	Yucca cf. Y. newberryi	Long et al. 1974
	Asparagaceae	Yucca sp.	Mead et al. 1978, 1986, Hevly 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Coats 1997
	Asparagaceae	Yucca spp.	Hansen 1978
	Asparagaceae	Agave and Yucca undifferentiated	Hevly 1984

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Asteraceae	Ambrosia sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994
	Asteraceae	cf. <i>Ambrosia</i> (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Asteraceae	Artemisia ludoviciana	Cole 1990
	Asteraceae	Artemisia tridentata	Hansen 1978, Robbins et al. 1984, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Asteraceae	Artemisia cf. A. ludoviciana	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Asteraceae	<i>Artemisia</i> sp.	Euler 1978, Cole 1982, Hevly 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Asteraceae	Artemisia spp.	Dryer 1994
	Asteraceae	Aster sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Aster spp.	Hansen 1978
	Asteraceae	Baccharis sergiloides	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Baccharis sp.	Dryer 1994
	Asteraceae	<i>Bahia</i> sp.	Coats 1997
	Asteraceae	<i>Bahia</i> spp.	Hansen 1978
	Asteraceae	Brickellia atractyloides	Coats 1997
	Asteraceae	Brickellia cf. B. scabra	Coats 1997
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Asteraceae	<i>Brickellia</i> sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981, Hevly 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Asteraceae	Chrysopsis cf. C. hispida	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Chrysothamnus nauseosus	Hansen 1978
	Asteraceae	Chrysothamnus cf. C. viscidiflorus	Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Asteraceae	Chrysothamnus sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Asteraceae	Cirsium sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Asteraceae	Cirsium spp.	Dryer 1994
	Asteraceae	cf. Cirsium (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Asteraceae	Coreopsis sp.	Dryer 1994
	Asteraceae	Dyssodia pentachaeta	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	<i>Dyssodia</i> sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Encelia farinosa	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Cole 1990
	Asteraceae	<i>Encelia</i> sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Asteraceae	Encelia spp.	Hansen 1978

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Asteraceae	<i>Erigeron</i> sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Asteraceae	Franseria confertifolia	Phillips 1984
	Asteraceae	Gutierrezia lucida	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Asteraceae	Gutierrezia microcephala	Phillips 1984
	Asteraceae	<i>Gutierrezia</i> sp.	Long et al. 1974, Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994
	Asteraceae	Haplopappus sp. (Holocene) ²	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	cf. Helianthus (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Asteraceae	Hofmeisteria pluriseta	Hansen 1978
	Asteraceae	Hofmeisteria sp.	Long et al. 1974
	Asteraceae	Laphamia congesta	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Lygodesmia exigua	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Peucephyllum schottii	Hansen 1978
	Asteraceae	Solidago sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Asteraceae	Tetradymia canescens?	Robbins et al. 1984
Magnoliophyta	Asteraceae	cf. Brickellia and Cirsium	Hevly 1984
(continued)	Asteraceae	Asteraceae (or "Compositae") undetermined (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Berberidaceae	Berberis repens (Holocene)	Robbins et al. 1984
	Berberidaceae	Berberis sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994
	Betulaceae	Alnus sp. (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984
	Betulaceae	<i>Betula</i> sp. (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984
	Betulaceae	Ostrya knowltoni	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole 1990, Coats 1997
	Betulaceae	<i>Ostrya</i> sp. (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Boraginaceae	Amsinckia intermedia	Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Boraginaceae	Amsinckia sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Boraginaceae	Coldenia hispidissima	Robbins et al. 1984
	Boraginaceae	Coldenia sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha pterocarya	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha virginensis	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha cf. C. confertiflora	Coats 1997

² Aplopappus = Haplopappus

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha cf. C. recurvata	Dryer 1994
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha cf. C. torreyana	Coats 1997
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha cf. C. virginensis	Coats 1997
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Boraginaceae	Cryptantha spp.	Hansen 1978
	Boraginaceae	Lappula occidentalis	Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Boraginaceae	Lappula redowskii	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Boraginaceae	Lithospermum incisum	Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Boraginaceae	Pectocarya spp.	Hansen 1978
	Boraginaceae	Phacelia crenulata	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Boraginaceae	Phacelia sp.	Long et al. 1974
	Boraginaceae	Phacelia spp.	Hansen 1978
	Boraginaceae	<i>Tiquilia</i> sp.	Coats 1997
	Boraginaceae	cf. Trixis (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Boraginaceae	Coldenia–Cryptantha	Robbins et al. 1984
	Brassicaceae	Descurainia pinnata	Hansen 1978
	Brassicaceae	Draba cuneifolia	Hansen 1978
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Brassicaceae	Lepidium sp.	Long et al. 1974, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Brassicaceae	Lepidium spp.	Hansen 1978
	Brassicaceae	Lesquerella sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Brassicaceae	cf. Lesquerella (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Brassicaceae	Streptanthella longirostris	Dryer 1994
	Brassicaceae	Thysanocarpus amplectens	Phillips 1984
	Brassicaceae	Brassicaceae (or "Cruciferae") undetermined	Hevly 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Cactaceae	Cylindropuntia sp.	Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Cactaceae	Echinocactus polycephalus	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Cactaceae	Echinocactus sp.	Martin et al. 1961, Phillips 1984
	Cactaceae	Echinocereus sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981, Coats 1997
	Cactaceae	Ferocactus acanthodes	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Cactaceae	Ferocactus wislizeni	Coats 1997
	Cactaceae	Opuntia basilaris	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Cole 1990

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Cactaceae	Opuntia chorotica	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Cactaceae	Opuntia erinacea	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Cole 1985, Cole 1990
	Cactaceae	Opuntia macrorhiza	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Cactaceae	Opuntia phaeacantha	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Cole 1990
	Cactaceae	Opuntia whipplei	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender and Mead 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Dryer 1994
	Cactaceae	Opuntia cf. O. whipplei	Mead et al. 1978
	Cactaceae	<i>Opuntia (Platyopuntia)</i> sp. ³	Coats 1997
	Cactaceae	<i>Opuntia</i> sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Long et al. 1974, Mead and Phillips 1981, Hevly 1984, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Cactaceae	Cactaceae undetermined	Hansen 1978, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Cannabaceae	Celtis reticulata	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994
	Cannabaceae	Celtis sp. (Holocene)	Hevly 1984
	Caprifoliaceae	Lonicera sp.	Mead et al. 1986
	Caprifoliaceae	Symphoricarpos sp.	Van Devender et al. 1977, Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Mead et al. 1986, Cole 1990, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Caryophyllaceae	Arenaria fendleri	Robbins et al. 1984
	Caryophyllaceae	Arenaria sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Caryophyllaceae	Caryophyllaceae undetermined (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Celastraceae	Mortonia scabrella	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead et al. 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Celastraceae	Mortonia scabrella var. utahensis	Phillips 1984
	Celastraceae	Pachystima myrsinites	Cole 1990

³ *Platypuntia* of Coats 1997 accepted as *Opuntia* (*Platyopuntia*)

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Convolvulacea	Convolvulus sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Crossosomaceae	Crossosoma bigelovii	Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Crossosomaceae	Crossosoma sp.	Long et al. 1974
	Crossosomaceae	Glossopetalon nevadense	Hansen 1978
	Crossosomaceae	Glossopetalon sp.	Mead et al. 1986
	Cucurbitaceae	Cucurbita sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Cyperaceae	<i>Carex</i> sp.	Long et al. 1974, Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Cyperaceae	Eleocharis sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Cyperaceae	Cyperaceae undetermined	Hansen 1978
	Elaeagnaceae	Shepherdia sp.	Hevly 1984
	Elaeagnaceae	Shepherdia spp.	Hansen 1978
	Euphorbiaceae	Argythamnia sp.	Dryer 1994
	Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia cf. E. fendleri	Coats 1997
	Euphorbiaceae	Euphorbia sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994
	Euphorbiaceae	<i>Tragia</i> sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Fabaceae	Acacia greggii	Long et al. 1974, Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
(continued)	Fabaceae	Acacia sp.	Mead et al. 1986
	Fabaceae	Astragalus nutallianus	Phillips 1984
	Fabaceae	Astragalus sp.	Hansen 1978, Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994
	Fabaceae	Astragalus-type pollen	Mead et al. 1986
	Fabaceae	<i>Cassia</i> sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938
	Fabaceae	Cercis occidentalis	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole 1990
	Fabaceae	Lotus spp.	Hansen 1978
	Fabaceae	Prosopis juliflora	Long et al. 1974, Hansen 1978, Cole 1990
	Fabaceae	Fabaceae (or "Leguminosae") undetermined (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Fabaceae	Fabaceae undetermined (driftwood)	Ferguson 1984
	Fabaceae	"Legume a and b"	Hevly 1984
	Fagaceae	Quercus turbinella	Mead and Phillips 1981, Cole 1982, Cole 1985, Cole 1990
	Fagaceae	Quercus sp.	Euler 1978, Hansen 1978, Hevly 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Grossulariaceae	Ribes montigenum	Van Devender et al. 1977, Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Mead and Phillips 1981, O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Grossulariaceae	Ribes pinetorum	Coats et al. 2008
	Grossulariaceae	Ribes cf. R. pinetorum	Coats 1997
	Grossulariaceae	Ribes sp.	Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Coats 1997
	Grossulariaceae	cf. <i>Ribes</i> sp.	Dryer 1994
	Hydrangeaceae	Fendlera rupicola	Cole 1990
	Juglandaceae	<i>Juglans</i> sp. (Holocene body fossils)	Hevly 1984
	Juglandaceae	<i>Juglans</i> sp. (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984
	Krameriaceae	Krameria parvifolia	Hansen 1978
	Lamiaceae	Hedeoma diffusum	Robbins et al. 1984
	Lamiaceae	Hedeoma sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Lamiaceae	Salvia dorrii	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Lamiaceae	Lamiaceae (or "Labiatae") undetermined (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Liliaceae	Liliaceae undetermined (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Linaceae	Linum sp. (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
Magnoliophyta	Loasaceae	Eucnide urens	Hansen 1978
(continued)	Loasaceae	Mentzelia puberula	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Loasaceae	<i>Mentzelia</i> sp.	Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Dryer 1994
	Malpighiaceae	Janusia gracilis	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Malpighiaceae	Janusia sp.	Hansen 1978
	Malvaceae	Malvastrum rotundifolium	Hansen 1978
	Malvaceae	Sida sp.	Mead et al. 1986
	Malvaceae	Sphaeralcea ambigua	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Van Devender et al. 1977, Hansen 1978
	Malvaceae	Sphaeralcea cf. S. laxa	Long et al. 1974
	Malvaceae	Sphaeralcea sp.	Martin et al. 1961, Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986, Dryer 1994
	Nyctaginaceae	Abronia sp.	Hansen 1978
	Nyctaginaceae	Allionia incarnata	Hansen 1978, Phillips 1984
	Nyctaginaceae	Allionia sp.	Long et al. 1974
	Nyctaginaceae	Boerhavia coulteri	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Nyctaginaceae	Boerhavia sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Nyctaginaceae	Mirabilis multiflora	Coats 1997

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Nyctaginaceae	Oxybaphus sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Oleaceae	Fraxinus anomala	Long et al. 1974, Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender and Mead 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Hansen 1978, Mead et al. 1978, Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Mead and Phillips 1981, Cole 1982, Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Phillips 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Oleaceae	Fraxinus cf. F. anomala	Dryer 1994
	Oleaceae	Fraxinus sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938
	Oleaceae	Fraxinus spp.	Hansen 1978
	Onagraceae	Oenothera cavernae	Phillips 1984
	Onagraceae	<i>Oenothera</i> sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Onagraceae	Oenothera spp.	Hansen 1978
	Orobanchaceae	Castilleja cf. C. miniata	Coats 1997
	Orobanchaceae	Castilleja sp.	Coats 1997
	Orobanchaceae	Castilleja spp.	Hansen 1978
	Orobanchaceae	Castilleja or Orthocarpus	Van Devender and Mead 1976
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Papaveraceae	Argemone sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Phrymaceae	Mimulus sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Plantaginaceae	Penstemon eatonii	Phillips 1984
	Plantaginaceae	Penstemon sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Plantaginaceae	Plantago sp.	Dryer 1994
	Poaceae	Agropyron sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Agropyron spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Andropogon sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Aristida glauca	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Aristida longiseta	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Aristida sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Long et al. 1974, Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986, Dryer 1994
	Poaceae	Aristida spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Bouteloua eripoda (Holocene)	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Bouteloua gracilis	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Bouteloua simplex	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Bouteloua trifida	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Bouteloua sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Bouteloua spp.	Hansen 1978

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Poaceae	Bromus sp.	Long et al. 1974, Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Bromus spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Enneapogon desvauxii	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Festuca arizonica	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Festuca sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Hilaria rigida	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Lycurus phleoides (Holocene)	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Muhlenbergia sp.	Long et al. 1974, Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Panicum huachucae	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Oryzopsis hymenoides	Mead and Phillips 1981, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Poaceae	<i>Oryzopsis</i> sp.	Hansen 1978, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Phragmites communis	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Phragmites sp.	Long et al. 1974, Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Poa sp.	Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Poa spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Schedonnardus paniculatus	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Schizachyrium scoparium	Dryer 1994
	Poaceae	Sporobolus flexuosus	Robbins et al. 1984
Magnoliophyta	Poaceae	Sporobolus texanus	Robbins et al. 1984
(continued)	Poaceae	Sporobolus cf. S. cryptandrus	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Sporobolus sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Sporobolus spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Stipa arida	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Stipa hymenoides	Dryer 1994
	Poaceae	Stipa cf. neomexicana	Dryer 1994
	Poaceae	<i>Stipa</i> sp.	Long et al. 1974, Mead et al. 1986
	Poaceae	Stipa spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Tridens pulchellus	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	<i>Tridens</i> sp	Long et al. 1974, Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Tridens spp.	Hansen 1978
	Poaceae	Zea mays (late Holocene)	Cole 1982
	Poaceae	Gramineae A	Robbins et al. 1984
	Poaceae	Poaceae (or "Gramineae") undetermined	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Polemoniaceae	<i>Gilia</i> sp.	Hevly 1984
	Polemoniaceae	cf. Leptodactylon (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Polemoniaceae	Linanthus demissus	Hansen 1978
	Polemoniaceae	Phlox sp. (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Polemoniaceae	Phlox/Leptodactylon	Mead et al. 1986
	Polemoniaceae	Polemoniaceae undetermined (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Polygonaceae	Eriogonum deflexum	Robbins et al. 1984
	Polygonaceae	Eriogonum sp.	Robbins et al. 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Polygonaceae	Eriogonum spp.	Hansen 1978
	Polygonaceae	Polygonum sp.	Dryer 1994
	Polygonaceae	Rumex sp.	Dryer 1994
	Polygonaceae	Polygonaceae undetermined (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Ranunculaceae	Anemone tuberosa	Hansen 1978, Phillips 1984
	Ranunculaceae	Anemone sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Ranunculaceae	Aquilegia chrysantha	Hansen 1978
	Ranunculaceae	Caltha sp. (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Ranunculaceae	Clematis ligusticifolia	Robbins et al. 1984
	Ranunculaceae	Ranunculus sp.	Dryer 1994
	Ranunculaceae	Ranunculaceae undetermined (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead et al. 1986
	Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus betulaefolia	Phillips 1984
	Rhamnaceae	Rhamnus sp. (late Holocene)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Rhamnaceae	Rhamnaceae undetermined (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Rosaceae	Amelanchier sp.	Hevly 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Coats 1997
Magnoliophyta (continued)	Rosaceae	Cercocarpus intricatus	Van Devender et al. 1977, Van Devender and Spaulding 1979, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole 1990, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Rosaceae	Cercocarpus montanus	Hansen 1978
	Rosaceae	Cercocarpus sp. (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Rosaceae	cf. Cercocarpus (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Rosaceae	Chamaebatiaria millefolium	Cole 1990, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Rosaceae	Coleogyne ramosissima	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole 1990, Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Rosaceae	Cowania mexicana	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Cole 1990, Coats 1997
	Rosaceae	Fallugia paradoxa	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Robbins et al. 1984
	Rosaceae	Geum spp.	Hansen 1978
	Rosaceae	Holodiscus dumosus	Cole 1990, Coats 1997
	Rosaceae	Potentilla spp.	Hansen 1978
	Rosaceae	Prunus fasciculata	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Hansen 1978, Mead et al. 1978, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984, Cole 1990

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Rosaceae	Prunus virginiana	Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Rosaceae	Prunus sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Long et al. 1974, Mead et al. 1986
	Rosaceae	Purshia mexicana	Dryer 1994
	Rosaceae	Purshia sp.	Hevly 1984
	Rosaceae	Rosa cf. R. arizonica	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Rosaceae	Rosa stellata	Coats et al. 2008
	Rosaceae	Rosa cf. R. stellata	Cole 1985, Cole 1990, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Rosaceae	Rosa sp.	O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Rosaceae	Rubus sp.	Cole 1990, Dryer 1994, Coats 1997
	Rosaceae	Rosaceae undetermined (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Rubiaceae	<i>Galium</i> sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984, Robbins et al. 1984
	Rubiaceae	Galium spp.	Hansen 1978
	Rutaceae	Ptelea trifoliata	Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Rutaceae	Ptelea trifoliata var. pallida	Cole 1985, Cole 1990, O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Rutaceae	Thamnosma montana	Dryer 1994
	Rutaceae	Thamnosma sp.	Mead and Phillips 1981, Hevly 1984
Magnoliophyta	Salicaceae	Populus fremontii	Hansen 1978
(continued)	Salicaceae	Populus fremontii?	Euler 1978
	Salicaceae	Populus sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Ferguson 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Salicaceae	<i>Salix</i> sp. (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984, Mead et al. 1986
	Salicaceae	<i>Populus</i> and <i>Salix</i> (Holocene body fossils)	Hevly 1984
	Santalaceae	Phoradendron californicum	Phillips 1984
	Santalaceae	Phoradendron sp.	Long et al. 1974, Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981, Robbins et al. 1984
	Sapindaceae	Acer glabrum	Coats 1997, Coats et al. 2008
	Sapindaceae	Acer sp. (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984
	Sarcobataceae	Sarcobatus vermiculatus	Robbins et al. 1984
	Sarcobataceae	Sarcobatus sp. (pollen)	Euler 1978, Hevly 1984
	Saxifragaceae	<i>Mitella</i> sp.	Dryer 1994
	Saxifragaceae	cf. Saxifraga (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Saxifragaceae	Saxifragaceae undetermined (pollen)	O'Rourke and Mead 1985
	Solanaceae	Datura metaloides (GRCA: Holocene)	Van Devender and Mead 1976, Robbins et al. 1984
	Solanaceae	Lycium andersonii	Phillips 1984
	Solanaceae	<i>Lycium</i> sp.	Dryer 1994
	Solanaceae	cf. Lycium (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986

Category	Family	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Solanaceae	Physalis fendleri	Robbins et al. 1984
	Solanaceae	<i>Physalis</i> sp.	Laudermilk and Munz 1938, Van Devender and Mead 1976, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Solanaceae	Solanaceae undetermined (pollen)	Mead et al. 1986
	Urticaceae	Urtica sp.	Robbins et al. 1984
	Verbenaceae	Aloysia wrightii	Robbins et al. 1984, Cole 1990
	Verbenaceae	<i>Verbena</i> sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Vitaceae	Vitis arizonica	Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
Magnoliophyta	Vitaceae	<i>Vitis</i> sp.	Mead et al. 1978
(continued)	Zygophyllaceae	Kallstroemia sp.	Van Devender and Mead 1976
	Zygophyllaceae	Larrea divaricata	Laudermilk and Munz 1938
	Zygophyllaceae	Larrea tridentata	Martin et al. 1961, Hansen 1978, Mead and Phillips 1981, Phillips 1984
	Zygophyllaceae	Ceanothus/Cercocarpus	Mead et al. 1986
	Zygophyllaceae	Undetermined wood	Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994, Kaufman et al. 2002
	Zygophyllaceae	Undetermined plants	Phillips and Van Devender 1974, Mead et al. 1978, Mead et al. 1986, Hevly 1984, Emslie et al. 1987, Emslie 1988, Kaufman et al. 2002

Invertebrates

Ice Age invertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon are listed in Appendix Table 11-A-2.

Appendix Table 11-A-2. Ice Age invertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named from
specimens found within GRCA.

Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Taxon Observed	Sources
	Bivalvia	Sphaeriida	Sphaeriidae	Pisidium cf. P. casertanum	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Bivalvia	Sphaeriida	Sphaeriidae	Pisidium cf. P. nitidum	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Bivalvia	Sphaeriida	Sphaeriidae	Pisidium cf. P. subtruncatum	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Bivalvia	Sphaeriida	Sphaeriidae	Pisidium cf. P. walkeri	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Bivalvia	Sphaeriida	Sphaeriidae	Pisidium sp.	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Succineidae	Catinella cf. C. vermeta4	Spamer 1993, Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Succineidae	Catinella sp.	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Cionellidae	Cionella lubrica ⁵	Spamer 1993, Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Lymnaeidae	Fossaria dalli	Kaufman et al. 2002
Mollusca	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Lymnaeidae	<i>Fossaria</i> sp.	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Planorbidae	Gyraulus parvus	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Oreohelicidae	Oreohelix yavapai ⁶	Spamer and Bogan 1993, Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Succineidae	Oxyloma cf. O. haydeni kanabensis	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Succineidae	<i>Oxyloma</i> sp.	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Physidae	Physella cf. P. humerosa	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Physidae	Physella cf. P. virgata	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Xanthonychidae	cf. Sonorella sp.	Cole and Mead 1981

⁴ Catinella cf. C. avara = Catinella cf. C. vermeta

⁵ Cochlicopa lubrica = Cionella lubrica

⁶ Subspecies of *Oreohelix yavapai*, such as *O. y. fortis** Cockerell 1927, are now generally rolled into *Oreohelix yavapai*

Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Taxon Observed	Sources
Mollusca	Gastropoda	"Pulmonata"	Vertiginidae	Vertigo ovata	Kaufman et al. 2002
(continued)	_	-	-	Mollusca undetermined	Hevly 1984
	-	-	-	Agamofilaria oxyura*	Schmidt et al. 1992
Nematoda	_	-	-	Strongyloides shastensis*	Schmidt et al. 1992
	_	-	_	Nematoda unspecified	Laudermilk and Munz 1938
	Arachnida	Ixodida	Ixodidae	Dermacentor andersoni	Elias et al. 1992
	Arachnida	Ixodida	Ixodidae	Dermacentor sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Arachnida	Scorpiones	Buthidae	Centruroides sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Diplopoda	-	-	Diplopoda undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Agonum (Rhadine) perlevis (late Holocene)	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	Agonum (Rhadine) sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Carabidae	<i>Calosoma</i> cf. <i>C. scrutator</i> (late Holocene)	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	<i>Chaetocnema</i> sp. (late Holocene)	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Lema trilinea	Elias et al. 1992
Arthropoda	Insecta	Coleoptera	Chrysomelidae	Chrysomelidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Cleridae	Acanthoscelides sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Apleurus angularis	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Cleonidus trivittatus or C. quadrilineatus	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Ophryastes sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	<i>Orimodema protracta</i> (late Holocene)	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Sapotes sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Scyphophorus acupunctatus	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Curculionidae	Cleridae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Dermestidae	Dermestidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992

Appendix Table 11-A-2 (continued). Ice Age invertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named from specimens found within GRCA.

Appendix Table 11-A-2 (continued). Ice Age invertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named
from specimens found within GRCA.

Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Taxon Observed	Sources
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Elateridae	Elateridae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Histeridae	Histeridae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Melandryidae	Anaspis rufa	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Meloidae	Meloidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Nitidulidae	Nitidulidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptinidae	Niptus cf. N. ventriculus	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptinidae	Ptinis sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Ptinidae	Ptinidae undetermined	Cole and Mead 1981
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius near A. ruficlarus	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius near A. ruficlarus	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Aphodius sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Diplotaxis sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Onthophagus sp.	Elias et al. 1992
Arthropoda	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Phyllophaga sp.	Elias et al. 1992
(continued)	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Serica sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scarabaeidae	Scarabaeidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Scotylidae	Scotylidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Silphidae	<i>Thanatophilus truncatus</i> (late Holocene)	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Coniontis sp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes cf. E. nigrina	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Eleodes spp.	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Coleoptera	Tenebrionidae	Tenebrionidae undetermined	Hevly 1984
	Insecta	Diptera	-	Diptera undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Hemiptera	-	Hemiptera undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Homoptera	Cicadidae	Cicadidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Hymenoptera	Superfamily Apoidea	Apoidea undetermined	Elias et al. 1992

Phylum	Class	Order	Family	Taxon Observed	Sources
	Insecta	Lepidoptera	_	Lepidoptera undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Neuroptera	Myrmelodontidae	Myrmelodontidae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	Orthoptera	Acrididae	Acrididae undetermined	Elias et al. 1992
	Insecta	-	-	Insecta undetermined	Cole and Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Candonidae	Candona sp. (late Holocene)	Kaufman et al. 2002
Arthropoda	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Cyprididae	Cypridopsis okeechobei	Kaufman et al. 2002
(continued)	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Cyprididae	Cypridopsis vidua	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Darwinulidae	Darwinula stevensoni	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Cyprididae	Heterocypris incongruens	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Cyprididae	Ilyocypris bradyi	Kaufman et al. 2002
	Ostracoda	Podocopida	Cyprididae	Strandesia meadensis	Kaufman et al. 2002
	_	_	-	Arthropoda undetermined	Mead and Van Devender 1981, Hevly 1984

Appendix Table 11-A-2 (continued). Ice Age invertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named from specimens found within GRCA.

Vertebrates

Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon are listed in Appendix Table 11-A-3.

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources
	_	Catostomus discobolus	Miller and Smith 1984
	_	<i>Catostomus latipinnis</i> (possibly Holocene)	Miller and Smith 1984
	-	Gila cypha (probably Holocene)	Miller and Smith 1984
Osteichthyes	-	<i>Gila elegans</i> (probably Holocene)	Miller and Smith 1984
	-	<i>Ptychocheilus lucius</i> (probably Holocene)	Miller and Smith 1984
	_	Osteichthyes undetermined	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994
	Anura	Bufo sp.	Spamer 1988
	Anura	<i>Hyla</i> sp.	Spamer 1988
Amphibia	Anura	Scaphiopus sp.	GCM
	Urodela	<i>Ambystoma tigrinum</i> (late Holocene)	Mead 2005
	Testudines	Gopherus agassizii	Wilson 1942, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Hunt et al. 2018
	Testudines	Gopherus morafkai	Hunt et al. 2018
	Squamata	Cnemidophorus tigris	Mead 2005
	Squamata	Cnemidophorus cf. C. tigris	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981
	Squamata	Cnemidophorus sp.	Cole and Van Devender 1976, Van Devender et al. 1977, Cole and Mead 1981
	Squamata	Coleonyx variegatus	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005
Reptilia	Squamata	Crotaphytus collaris	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Squamata	Crotaphytus cf. C. collaris	Cole and Mead 1981
	Squamata	Crotaphytus sp.	Cole and Van Devender 1976
	Squamata	Heloderma suspectum (uncertain age)	Mead 2005
	Squamata	Phrynosoma hernandesi	Mead et al. 2003, Mead 2005
	Squamata	cf. Phrynosoma	Mead et al. 2003
	Squamata	Sauromalus ater ⁷	Wilson 1942, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Hunt et al. 2018
	Squamata	Sceloporus magister	Hunt et al. 2018

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⁷ Sauromalus obesus = Sauromalus ater

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Squamata	Sceloporus tristichus	Hunt et al. 2018
	Squamata	Sceloporus undulatus	Mead 2005
	Squamata	Sceloporus cf. S. magister	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Squamata	Sceloporus cf. S. undulatus	Van Devender et al. 1977, Cole and Mead 1981, Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Hunt et al. 2018
	Squamata	Sceloporus sp.	Van Devender et al. 1977, Cole and Mead 1981
	Squamata	Sceloporus spp.	Cole and Van Devender 1976
	Squamata	Uta stansburiana	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Squamata	Undetermined lizard	Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994, Emslie et al. 1995
	Suborder Serpentes	<i>Coluber</i> or <i>Masticophis</i> (late Holocene)	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Suborder Serpentes	Crotalus mitchelli or C. viridis	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Suborder Serpentes	Crotalus sp.	Van Devender et al. 1977
Reptilia (continued)	Suborder Serpentes	Diadophis punctatus	Mead et al. 2003, Mead 2005
	Suborder Serpentes	Hypsiglena torquata	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Suborder Serpentes	Lampropeltis getula ⁸	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984, Hunt et al. 2018
	Suborder Serpentes	Lampropeltis pyromelana	Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Suborder Serpentes	<i>Lampropeltis triangulum</i> (late Holocene)	Mead and Phillips 1981, Mead 2005
	Suborder Serpentes	cf. Lampropeltis	Mead et al. 2003
	Suborder Serpentes	Pituophis catenifer	Hunt et al. 2018
	Suborder Serpentes	Pituophis melanoleucus	Van Devender et al. 1977; Mead 1981, 2005
	Suborder Serpentes	Rhinocheilus lecontei	Van Devender et al. 1977; Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981; Hunt et al. 2018
	Suborder Serpentes	Salvadora cf. S. hexalepis (late Holocene)	Mead and Phillips 1981

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

⁸ Lampropeltis getulus = Lampropeltis getula

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Suborder Serpentes	Sonora semiannulata	Van Devender et al. 1977; Mead 1981, Mead 2005, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Suborder Serpentes	Thamnophis sp.	Mead 1981
Reptilia (continued)	Suborder Serpentes	<i>Trimorphodon bisulcatus</i> (late Holocene)	Mead and Phillips 1981
	Suborder Serpentes	Serpentes undetermined	Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994, Mead et al. 2003
	-	Reptilia undetermined	Hevly 1984
	Accipitriformes	<i>Accipiter striatus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Accipitriformes	Aquila chrysaetos	Hevly 1984, Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018
	Accipitriformes	Buteo jamaicensis	Hevly 1984, Hunt et al. 2018
	Accipitriformes	<i>Buteo regalis</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981
	Accipitriformes	Buteo sp.	Emslie 1988
	Accipitriformes	cf. Buteo jamaicensis	Carpenter 2003
	Accipitriformes	<i>Buteogallus anthracinus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Accipitriformes	Circus cyaneus	Emslie 1988
	Accipitriformes	cf. <i>Circus cyaneus</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Accipitriformes	Hawk similar to <i>Buteo</i> jamaicensis	Miller 1960
	Anseriformes	Aix sponsa (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	Anas acuta (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
Aves	Anseriformes	Anas americana	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	Anas clypeata	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	Anas crecca	Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	Anas crecca carolinensis?	Mead 1981
	Anseriformes	Anas crecca cf. carolinensis (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Anas cyanoptera</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	Anas discors	Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Anseriformes	Anas platyrhynchos	Rea and Hargrave 1984, Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	Anas strepera (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	Anas sp.	Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995
	Anseriformes	<i>Aythya americana</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	Aythya affinis	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	<i>Aythya marila</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Anseriformes	<i>Aythya valisineria</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Aythya</i> sp.	Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	Aythya sp.? (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Branta canadensis</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Bucephala albeola</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Bucephala clangula</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981
	Anseriformes	Chen caerulescens	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Anseriformes	cf. <i>Clangula hyemalis</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Mergus cucullatus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Mergus merganser</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Olor columbianus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981
	Anseriformes	cf. <i>Olor columbianus</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Anseriformes	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
Aves (continued)	Apodiformes	Aeronautes saxatalis	Emslie 1988
	Cathartiformes	Cathartes aura	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988, Mead and Phillips 1981
	Cathartiformes	?Cathartes aura	Carpenter 2003
	Cathartiformes	Coragyps atratus	Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018
	Cathartiformes	Coragyps occidentalis	Hunt et al. 2018
	Cathartiformes	Gymnogyps amplus?	deSaussure 1956
	Cathartiformes	Gymnogyps californianus	see text
	Cathartiformes	<i>Gymnogyps</i> sp.	Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Cathartiformes	Teratornis merriami	Mead 1981, Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Cathartiformes	Teratornis cf. T. merriami	Dryer 1994
	Cathartiformes	Teratornis sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974
	Charadriiformes	Actitis macularia	Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Charadriiformes	Calidris melanotos	Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Charadriiformes	Capella gallinago	Mead 1981, Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Charadriiformes	<i>Larus pipixcan</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Charadriiformes	Larus sp.	Emslie 1988
	Charadriiformes	<i>Numenius americanus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Charadriiformes	Phalaropus fulicarius	Rea and Hargrave 1984

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Charadriiformes	Phalaropus lobatus	Rea and Hargrave 1984, Emslie 1988
	Charadriiformes	Phalaropus cf. fulicarius	Mead 1981
	Charadriiformes	Recurvirostra americana	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Charadriiformes	Tringa semipalmata ⁹	Emslie et al. 1995
	Columbiformes	Zenaida macroura	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995
	Falconiformes	Falco femoralis	Miller 1960, Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018
	Falconiformes	Falco mexicanus	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Falconiformes	Falco peregrinus	Emslie 1988
	Falconiformes	Falco sparverius	Rea and Hargrave 1984, Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995
	Galliformes	Centrocercus urophasianus (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Galliformes	cf. Colinus virginianus	Emslie 1988
	Galliformes	<i>Meleagris crassipes</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Gruiformes	Fulica americana	Emslie 1988
	Gruiformes	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
Aves (continued)	Gruiformes	cf. Porzana carolina	Emslie 1988
	Passeriformes	Agelaius phoeniceus	Emslie 1988
	Passeriformes	Aphelocoma caerulescens (Holocene general)	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	cf. <i>Aphelocoma caerulescens</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Catherpes mexicanus (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Cinclus mexicanus	Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Corvus corax	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988
	Passeriformes	<i>Corvus corax sinuatus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	Corvus sp.	Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995
	Passeriformes	<i>Dendroica coronata</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Empidonax</i> sp.? (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Eremophila alpestris	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Hirundo sp. (Holocene general)	Mead 1981

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

⁹ Catoptrophorus semipalmatus = Tringa semipalmata

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources
	Passeriformes	<i>Hirundo</i> sp.? (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>lcterus galbula</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Icterus sp. (Holocene general)	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	Junco hyemalis	Mead 1981, Rea and Hargrave 1984
	Passeriformes	cf. <i>Junco</i> sp.	Emslie 1988
	Passeriformes	<i>Lanius excubitor</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Loxia cf. L. curvirostra	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	<i>Myadestes townsendi</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Passerella iliaca</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Passerina</i> sp. (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Pica hudsonia</i> (Holocene general) ¹⁰	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Salpinctes obsoletus (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
Aves (continued)	Passeriformes	Salpinctes obsoletus?	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	Sayornis nigricans (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Sayornis saya</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Sialia currucoides (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Turdus grayi (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	<i>Turdus migratorius</i> (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	Turdus migratorius?	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	Turdus sp.?	Mead 1981
	Passeriformes	Zonotrichia cf. Z. leucophrys (Holocene general)	Hevly 1984
	Passeriformes	cf. Fringillidae (late Holocene)	Mead and Van Devender 1981
	Passeriformes	Passeriformes undetermined	Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994, Emslie et al. 1995
	Pelecaniformes	Ardea herodias (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984
	Pelecaniformes	Nycticorax nycticorax	Hunt et al. 2018
	Pelecaniformes	cf. Nycticorax nycticorax	Carpenter 2003

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

¹⁰ Pica pica hudsonica = Pica hudsonia

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources	
	Pelecaniformes	Ardeidae undetermined	Carpenter 2003	
	Piciformes	Colaptes auratus	Emslie 1988	
	Piciformes	Sphyrapicus varius	Emslie 1988	
	Piciformes	Picidae undetermined	Emslie 1988	
	Podicipediformes	Aechmophorus occidentalis	Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988	
	Podicipediformes	<i>Podiceps auritus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981	
	Podicipediformes	<i>Podiceps nigricollis</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984	
Aves (continued)	Podicipediformes	cf. Podiceps nigricollis	Emslie 1988	
	Podicipediformes	Podilymbus podiceps	Emslie 1988	
	Strigiformes	Bubo virginianus	Mead 1981, Mead and Van Devender 1981, Rea and Hargrave 1984	
	Strigiformes	Otus asio (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Hevly 1984	
	Strigiformes	Tyto alba	Miller 1960, Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	-	Aves undetermined	Cole and Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Hevly 1984, Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994	
	Pilosa	Nothrotheriops shastensis ¹¹	see text	
	Eulipotyphla	Notiosorex crawfordi	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Mead and Van Devender 1981, Emslie 1988	
	Rodentia	Ammospermophilus cf. A. leucurus (late Holocene)	Mead and Van Devender 1981	
	Rodentia	<i>Castor canadensis</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
Mammalia	Rodentia	Dipodomys sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Mead 1981, Mead and Van Devender 1981, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Erethizon dorsatum	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	<i>Eutamias</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Cole and Mead 1981, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Lemmiscus curtatus	Mead et al. 2003	
	Rodentia	Marmota flaviventris	Lange 1956, Van Devender et al. 1977, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Marmota flaviventris cf. M. f. engelhardti	Wilson 1942	
	Rodentia	Marmota cf. M. flaviventris	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

¹¹ Nothrotherium shastense = Nothrotheriops shastensis

Class	s Order Taxa Observed		Sources	
	Rodentia	<i>Marmota</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Emslie et al. 1995	
	Rodentia	<i>Microtus</i> sp.	Cole and Mead 1981, Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Emslie 1988, Mead et al. 2003	
	Rodentia	Neotoma cinerea	Mead et al. 2003	
	Rodentia	Neotoma devia or N. lepida	Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Neotoma lepida	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Neotoma mexicana Mead 1981, Hunt et al. 2018		
	Rodentia	Neotoma stephensi	Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Neotoma cf. N. cinerea	Cole and Mead 1981	
	Rodentia	Neotoma cf. N. lepida	Cole and Mead 1981	
	Rodentia	Neotoma cf. N. mexicana	Van Devender et al. 1977	
	Rodentia	<i>Neotoma</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Cole and Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984, Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994, Mead et al. 2003	
	Rodentia	Neotoma spp.	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
Mammalia	Rodentia	<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
(continued)	Rodentia	Perognathus cf. P. intermedius	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
	Rodentia	Perognathus sp.	Emslie 1988	
	Rodentia	Peromyscus sp.	Van Devender et al. 1977, Cole and Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984, Emslie 1988, Dryer 1994, Mead et al. 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Peromyscus spp.	Mead 1981, Mead and Van Devender 1981	
	Rodentia	cf. Reithrodontomys	Cole and Mead 1981	
	Rodentia	Sciurus sp. (Holocene?)	Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Rodentia	cf. <i>Sciurus</i> sp.	Emslie 1988	
	Rodentia	Spermophilus variegatus	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
	Rodentia	Spermophilus sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Mead et al. 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	<i>Tami</i> as sp.	Hunt et al. 2018	
	Rodentia	Thomomys sp.Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Mead 1981, Hunt et al. 2018		
	Rodentia	Sciuridae undetermined Emslie et al. 1995		
	Rodentia	Rodentia undetermined Hevly 1984		
	Lagomorpha	Lepus californicus Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen		
	Lagomorpha	Lepus near L. californicus Wilson 1942		

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources	
	Lagomorpha	<i>Lepus</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Lagomorpha	Sylvilagus cf. S. audubonii	Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Lagomorpha	<i>Sylvilagus</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Van Devender et al. 1977, Mead 1981, Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995, Mead et al. 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Lagomorpha	Lagomorpha undetermined	Hevly 1984	
	Chiroptera	Antrozous pallidus	Emslie 1988	
	Chiroptera	Desmodus stocki	Ray et al. 1988, Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Chiroptera	Eptesicus cf. E. fuscus	Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Chiroptera	Euderma maculatum	Mead and Mikesic 2005	
	Chiroptera	<i>Eumops</i> sp.	Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Chiroptera	Lasiurus cinereus	see text	
	Chiroptera	Lasionycteris noctivagens	see text	
	Chiroptera	Myotis sp. (possibly Holocene)	Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Chiroptera	cf. <i>Myotis</i> sp.	Emslie 1988	
Mammalia	Chiroptera	Pipistrellus hesperus [Parastrellus]	Emslie 1988	
(continued)	Chiroptera	Plecotus townsendi [Corynorhinus]	Emslie 1988	
	Chiroptera	Tadarida brasiliensis	Carpenter 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Chiroptera	Undetermined Chiroptera	Van Devender et al. 1977	
	Carnivora	Bassariscus astutus	Wilson 1942, Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Carnivora	Bassariscus sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974	
	Carnivora	<i>Canis latrans</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Carnivora	Canis sp. (wolf)	Emslie 1988	
	Carnivora	Lontra canadensis	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Carnivora	Lynx rufus	Mead 1981	
	Carnivora	<i>Lynx</i> sp.	Wilson 1942, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Carnivora	<i>Mustela</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Carnivora	Procyon lotor (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Carnivora	Puma concolor ¹²	Mead 1981, Mead et al. 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Carnivora	Puma concolor?	Wilson 1942	

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

¹² Felis concolor = Puma concolor

Class	Order	Taxa Observed	Sources	
	Carnivora	Spilogale putorius	Emslie 1988	
	Carnivora	Spilogale gracilis or S. putorius	Hunt et al. 2018	
	Carnivora	<i>Spilogale</i> sp.	Lindsay and Tessman 1974	
	Carnivora	<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Carnivora	Vulpes vulpes	Carpenter 2002	
	Carnivora	Canidae undetermined	Carpenter and Mead 2000	
	Proboscidea	Mammuthus sp.	Emslie 1987, Emslie 1988	
	Perissodactyla	Equus sp. (E. conversidens?)	Harington 1984	
	Perissodactyla	<i>Equus</i> sp.	Wilson 1942, Mead 1981, Emslie 1987, Emslie 1988, Carpenter 2003, Mead et al. 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Artiodactyla	Antilocapra americana	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
	Artiodactyla	<i>Bison</i> sp.	Harington 1984, Emslie 1987, Emslie 1988, Mead et al. 2003, Martin 2014, Martin et al. 2017	
	Artiodactyla	Camelops hesternus	Mead et al. 2003	
	Artiodactyla	Camelops cf. C. hesternus	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
	Artiodactyla	?Camelops sp.	Emslie 1987	
Mammalia	Artiodactyla	cf. Camelops sp.	Emslie 1988	
(continued)	Artiodactyla	Euceratherium collinum	Mead et al. 2003, Kropf et al. 2007	
	Artiodactyla	cf. Euceratherium collinum	Mead et al. 2003	
	Artiodactyla	<i>Odocoileus hemionus</i> (Holocene general)	Mead 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984	
	Artiodactyla	Odocoileus sp.	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
	Artiodactyla	Oreamnos harringtoni	see text	
	Artiodactyla	<i>Oreamnos</i> sp. (probably Holocene)	Harington 1984	
	Artiodactyla	Oreamnos or Ovis	Emslie 1988	
	Artiodactyla	Ovis canadensis	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981, Olsen and Olsen 1984, Harington 1984, Carpenter 2003, Mead et al. 2003, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Artiodactyla	<i>Ovis</i> sp.	Wilson 1942	
	Artiodactyla	Bovidae undetermined	Carpenter 2003	
	Artiodactyla	Artiodactyla undetermined	Cole and Mead 1981, Harington 1984, Dryer 1994, Carpenter 2003	
	_	Undetermined large mammal	Emslie 1988, Emslie et al. 1995	
	-	Mammalia undetermined	Hevly 1984	
	-	Vertebrata undetermined	Hevly 1984	

Appendix Table 11-A-3 (continued). Ice Age vertebrate taxa reported from the Grand Canyon.

Ichnofossils and Reproductive Traces

Ice Age ichnofossils and reproductive traces reported from the Grand Canyon can be seen in Appendix Table 11-A-4.

Category	Traces Observed	Sources	
	Dipteran pupal case	Hevly 1984	
Invertebrates	"Helminth" eggs	Schmidt et al. 1992	
	Nematode eggs	Laudermilk and Munz 1938	
	Artiodactyl dung	Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Bassariscus astutus dung	Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Bat guano	see text	
	<i>Bison</i> sp. dung	Mead and Swift 2012	
	<i>Equus</i> sp. dung	Mead and Swift 2012	
	Erethizon dorsatum dung	Mead and Swift 2012	
	Large felid dung	Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	cf. <i>Lepu</i> s sp. dung	Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Neotoma spp. dung	abundant in Neotoma middens; see text	
	Nothrotheriops shastensis dung (Castrocopros martini*)	see text	
	Oreamnos harringtoni dung	see text	
Vertebrates	Ovis canadensis dung	Robbins et al. 1984, O'Rourke and Mead 1985, Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Peromyscus sp. dung	Emslie 1988	
	Rabbit dung	Hevly 1984	
	Rodent dung	Hevly 1984, Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Sauromalus dung (age not stated)	Mead and Swift 2012	
	cf. Sylvilagus sp. dung	Mead and Swift 2012, Hunt et al. 2018	
	Bird regurgitation pellets	Emslie et al. 1995, Mead and Swift 2012	
	<i>Bassariscus astutus</i> middens (late Holocene)	Mead 1981, Mead and Phillips 1981	
	Neotoma spp. middens	see text	
	Cathartes aura eggshells	Miller 1960, Harington 1975	
	<i>Gymnogyps californianus</i> eggshells	Emslie 1987	
	Gymnogyps nest	Martin 2014	

Appendix Table 11-A-4. Ice Age ichnofossils and reproductive traces reported from the Grand Canyon. Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named from specimens found within GRCA.

Other Fossils

Other fossil Ice Age taxa reported from the Grand Canyon are listed in Appendix Table 11-A-5.

Appendix Table 11-A-5. Other Ice Age fossil taxa reported from the Grand Canyon. Taxa followed by an asterisk (*) were named from specimens found within GRCA.

Phylum	Class	Class or Subclass	Traces Observed	Sources
Apicomplexa	Conoidasida	Coccidia	Archaeococcidia antiquus*	Schmidt et al. 1992
	Conoidasida	Coccidia	Archaeococcidia nothrotheriopsae*	Schmidt et al. 1992
-	-	-	Fungal spores	Robbins et al. 1984, Schmidt et al. 1992