CedarCunningham-13-Field Notebook

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I went to Helen McCabe park. I took some written notes in my notebook, made audio notes, made some sketches, made a sound recording and drew a spectrogram. I added more detail and color when I got home. I also took photos which I later uploaded to eBird and Flickr.
Bald Eagles and Common Raven

2 Eagles and two ravens

How did the
deer end up
don this
hillside?

There was always only one
of each species on the carcass,
the others kept watch.
Eagles also showed up on the carcass. Eagles seemed always to fly high. Suddenly, the eagles would land on a rock, grabbing the carcass, watching the other eagles from the carcass. Watching this made me realize where the phrase "pecking order" comes from.
I looked online for why towhees have unique patterns but wasn’t able to find anything of use. I was able to find that the red eye may have to do with either large blood vessels or pigment compounds. 

Map of Area

Pond

Trail

I had never been on this trail before; worth it!