

FrogWatch USA™

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Submit Your 2009 FrogWatch USA Data!

The FrogWatch USA Web site and database will be moving to AZA from the National Wildlife Federation soon, and will be under construction in the fall. Therefore, please submit all data that you have before 21 August 2009. Data collected after that date and through the fall can be saved until the database is re-launched at AZA or we can enter it directly into the database if you send it via email (preferred) to: frogwatch@aza.org or via regular mail to: Shelly Grow

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Featured Species



Little Grass Frog (Pesudacris ocularis)

The little grass frog is North America's smallest frog at 7/16-11/16 of an inch in size. It is tan to gray-green in color with a dark line running through the eye and along the side of the body and has round toe tips. Some individuals may have a line down the back which starts as a triangle between the eyes. The little grass frog can be found along the coastal plain from southeastern Virginia, south through Florida, and west to southeastern Alabama. The little grass frog can be found in grasses and sedges near roadside ditches, pond margins, and cypress bays. This species is nocturnal and breeds January through September in most of its range and year round in Florida. The mating call is a high pitched note or two like the tinkle of glass. The mating call may be inaudible to some humans. Listen for this species in your area.

FrogWatching Season is Wrapping Up-Send Us Your Stories and Feedback!

The active FrogWatching season is winding down and the last newsletter of the 2009 season will be published in late August/early September. Please email FrogWatching stories and photos, as well as thoughts and suggestions about the training materials to Mandy at mgaudreau@rwpzoo.org.

All previous 2009 FrogWatch USA newsletters are available at: http://www.aza.org/frogwatch/.

Photos by FrogWatchers



Photos (Top to bottom): American toad in R.I., by M. Gaudreau; Giant bullfrog in R.I., by M. Gaudreau; Gray treefrog in Md., by Shawn and Earl.