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Animal Fact Sheet

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Western Toad

Anaxyrus boreas

The Western Toad is a medium-sized amphibian native to western North America, easily recognized by its dry, warty skin and prominent white or cream dorsal stripe. Adults typically range in color from…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Bufonidae
Habitat: Forests, grasslands, meadows, and wetlands near freshwater sources
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Near Threatened
Lifespan: 9-12 years in the wild
Weight: 20-80 grams
Scientific name: Anaxyrus boreas

Did you know?

- Despite being called 'toads,' Western Toads actually lack the typical 'toad call'—males are nearly silent during breeding.
- Western Toads can produce a toxin from their parotoid glands that irritates predators. Unlike most toads, they walk or crawl rather than hop. Their l…

What I learned

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