

Hippopotamus Ethogram

Start Time _____ End Time _____

Weather _____

Directions: Look at the hippos. Check the // as you see the following:

Animal(s)

// territorial bull (male) // mother (cow) with calf // juvenile

// with other animals nearby (crocodile, hyena, etc)

Activity

// underwater – head is held upright // standing on land

// water-scooping with jaws opens // sleeping on land

// snorting out bubbles underwater // head-shaking

// honking, wheezing, grunting // walking on land

Feeding

// calf nursing from mother // grazing (on land) // drinking

Aggressive/territorial/social behavior

// dung showering – tails paddle dung // crouching

// rearing (especially toward an object) // charging

// exhaling explosively above/below water // roaring

Habitat

// water is brown // grass is green

// water is deep // water is shallow

// grass is more green than brown // grass is more brown than green

// water is _____