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We noticed the two chicks with geolocators limping shortly after banding on 6/29. We informed Jessica and Ted of the problem and have kept a close eye on them over the past week. Although the problem didn't appear to be worsening both chicks visibly limped when running. Jessica came down last night and we caught both chicks this morning. Attached are pictures of the injuries caused by the band and geolocators. The decision was made to remove the band with the geolocator and not replace it with another band to allow the leg to heal without irritation (and to avoid additional stress to the chicks).



Geolocator Injury.zip

The prongs of the geolocator appeared to cause the most damage to the leg. There was also some irritation at the top and bottom of the band (probably due to the weight of the transmitter). Upon release, the chicks were no longer limping.

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