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left the area at 1015. That evening 2.3 cm of rain fell, and the next day by 0730 I found fresh tracks of the adult female leading away from the area alone, but I did not see the cats. Five centimeters of rain on 6 September cleared old tracks, and the family group had moved south to a new site.

During my observations of bobcats using the burrow, I saw no tortoise tracks there. Although it has been suggested that bobcats could prey on young and old tortoises (Woodbury and Hardy 1948), in the ten years I have been examing bobcat scats I have seen no evidence of tortoise in their diet and no actual reports were found in the literature. Thus I believe the bobcats I observed were exploring the burrow and found shelter.

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