Summary of Facebook postings by Berkeley Karuk group, March 8-14, 2015

March 8 (Andrew)
Vina upiip:

*atipimáamvaan* • buzzard

(made up of:
*atípiima* = carrion
*amvaan* = eater, one who eats)

Comments
Long vowel fun! The long vowel in *atípiima* gets shortened in a compound, but the "a" at the end of that word combines with the "a" at the beginning of *amvaan* to create a new long vowel.

March 9 (Line)
Shan Davis upiip:

*takāakaa* • Valley Quail

Here the dictionary has a note saying that this word imitates the call of the quail.

March 10 (Andrew)

*thufkírik* • great horned owl

Comments
And *chufkínikich* "flammulated owl" is literally "little thufkírik": with the diminutive suffix -*ich*, the *th* becomes *ch* and the *r* becomes *n*.

March 11 (Line)
Shan Davis upiip:

*chiipákpaak* • robin

There are two other words for robin in the dictionary:

*kusripish’ámvaan* which means `madrone berry eater`

*vasitpumxaráhaasar* which means `wearing a thick blanket`

March 12 (Andrew)

*kachakâach* • bluejay

with recordings by Bud Johnson and Shan Davis

and another word for bluejay is *ansáfriik va’áraar*, which means "Weitchpec person"!
March 13 (Line)
xanpuchíniishveenach • hummingbird

March 14 (Andrew)
kahtíshraam • Yreka (or Shasta Valley)
kah = upriver
tíshraam = valley or prairie

Comments
Other place names that contain the element tíshraam include athithuťíshraam (near Happy Camp) and samnanaktíshraam (Forks of Salmon valley).