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IS THAT YOU, FROGGY? College anthems. Cat meows. Jimi Hendrix rock songs. So what hasn't been used as a cell phone ring tone?

Now try: hoot of the California spotted owl, the song of the Beluga whale, or croak of the California red-legged frog.

The Center for Biological Diversity, a conservation group, allows Internet users free downloads of 40 sounds of endangered wildlife from its Web site at www.rareearthtones.com.

"The animal sounds personalize your phone, and they sound cool," said **the center's Peter Galvin**.

The group plans later to add the sounds of some big predators.

That sounds scary.

The Eye doesn't want to imagine waking up in the middle of the night to the growl of a polar bear or the howl of a gray wolf.

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