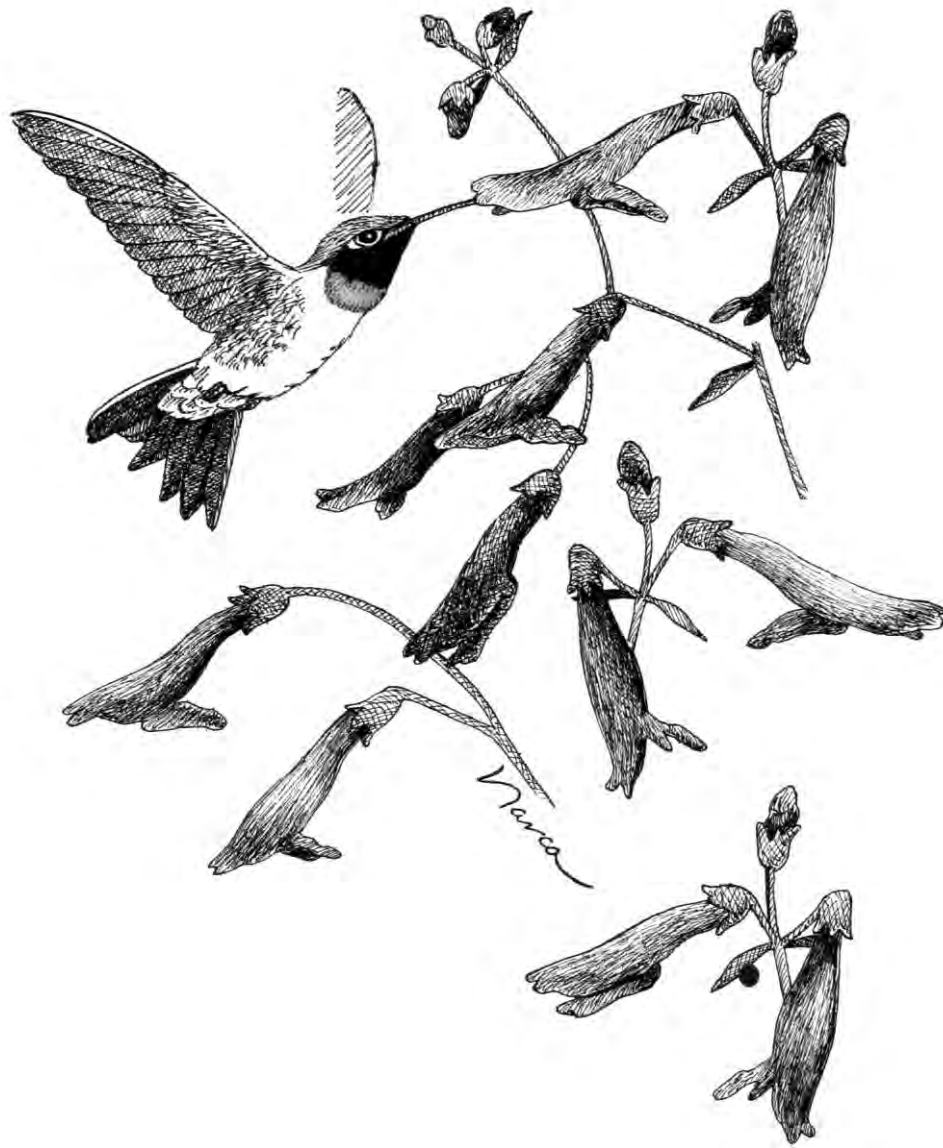


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## AUTUMN SEASON 2010

Autumn 2010 brought welcome rains across much of New Mexico, and grasslands and brushlands responded with lush growth, setting the table for sparrows and other seedeaters and frugivores. Among the surprising number of rarities were two Red-throated Loons, two Red-necked Grebes, the first Roseate Spoonbills to reach the Rio Grande Valley, two Buff-breasted Sandpipers, two adult Black-legged Kittiwakes, another Barred Owl, two well-documented Yellow-bellied Flycatchers, and a Rufous-backed Robin far out on the eastern plains, while an Eastern Whip-poor-will lifted the state list to 536 confirmed species.

### Localities and Counties

Acomita Lake, *Cibola*  
Alameda, *Bernalillo*  
Albuquerque, *Bernalillo*  
Animas, Cr., Mts., Valley, *Hidalgo*  
Belen, *Valencia*  
Bitter Lake NWR, *Chaves*  
Bluewater Canyon, Dam, Gorge, *Cibola*  
Bluewater Lake, *McKinley/Cibola*  
Boone's Draw, *Roosevelt*  
Bosque del Apache NWR, *Socorro*  
Bottomless Lakes SP, *Chaves*  
Brantley Lake, *Eddy*  
Burro Mts., *Grant*  
Caballo Lake, Dam, *Sierra*  
Carlsbad, Lake, *Eddy*  
Carlsbad Caverns NP, *Eddy*  
Cerrillos, *Santa Fe*  
Cimarron, *Colfax*  
Clayton, Lake, *Union*  
Clovis, *Curry*  
Cochiti, Lake, Dam, *Sandoval*  
Conchas Lake, Dam, *San Miguel*  
Corrales, *Sandoval*  
Datil Mts., *Catron*  
Deming, *Luna*  
Elephant Butte Lake, Dam, *Sierra*  
Farmington, *San Juan*  
Gila, Bird Area, *Grant*  
Glenwood, *Catron*  
Grulla NWR, *Roosevelt*  
Guadalupe Canyon, *Hidalgo*  
Guadalupe Mts., *Eddy*  
Heron Lake, *Rio Arriba*  
Hillsboro, *Sierra*  
Holloman Lake, *Otero*  
Kingston, *Sierra*  
Ladder Ranch, *Sierra*  
Lake Valley, *Sierra*  
Las Animas Cr., *Sierra*  
Las Cruces, *Doña Ana*  
Las Vegas, NWR, *San Miguel*  
La Union, *Doña Ana*  
Lincoln, *Lincoln*  
Lordsburg, Playa, *Hidalgo*  
Los Alamos, *Los Alamos*  
Loving, *Eddy*  
Madrid, *Santa Fe*  
Mangas Springs, *Grant*  
Manzano, Mts., *Torrance*  
Maxwell, NWR, *Colfax*  
Mesilla, *Doña Ana*  
Milnesand, *Roosevelt*  
Morgan Lake, *San Juan*  
Ned Houk Park, *Curry*  
north *Roosevelt* trap [NRT], *Roosevelt*  
Oliver Lee SP, *Otero*  
Organ Mts., *Doña Ana*  
Otero Mesa, *Otero*  
Otis, *Eddy*  
Peloncillo Mts., *Hidalgo*  
Percha SP, *Sierra*  
Playas, *Hidalgo*  
Post Office (P.O.) Canyon, *Hidalgo*  
Poverty Creek, *Sierra*  
Radium Springs, *Doña Ana*  
Ramon, *Lincoln*  
Rattlesnake Springs, *Eddy*  
Rio Grande Nature Center, *Bernalillo*  
Rodeo, *Hidalgo*  
Roswell, *Chaves*  
San Antonio, *Socorro*  
Sandia Crest, Park, *Bernalillo*  
Sandia Mts., *Sandoval/Bernalillo*  
San Jon, *Quay*  
San Marcial, *Socorro*  
San Mateo Mts., *Socorro*

Santa Fe, Canyon, *Santa Fe*  
 Santa Rosa, Lake, *Guadalupe*  
 Santa Teresa, *Doña Ana*  
 Sevilleta NWR, *Socorro*  
 Six Mile Dam, *Eddy*  
 Springer Lake, *Colfax*  
 Storrie Lake, *San Miguel*  
 Stubblefield Lake, *Colfax*  
 Sumner Lake, Dam, *De Baca*  
 Sunland Park, *Doña Ana*

Taos, Ski Area *Taos*  
 Tatum, *Lea*  
 Tyrone, *Grant*  
 Ute Lake, *Quay*  
 Valmora, *Mora*  
 Wagon Mound, *Mora*  
 Watrous, *Mora*  
 Zuni, *McKinley*  
 Zuni Mts, *McKinley/Cibola*

### Standard Abbreviations

AFB	Air Force Base	SP	State Park
Bosque NWR	Bosque del Apache NWR	UNM	Univ. of New Mexico
BLNWR	Bitter Lake NWR	USFWS	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
BBS	Breeding Bird Survey	WMA	Wildlife Management Area
CBC	Christmas Bird Count	WSMR	White Sands Missile Range
CCNP	Carlsbad Caverns NP	♂	male (represents sword & shield of Mars)
CG	Camp Ground	♀	female (represents mirror of Venus)
Cr.	Creek	ad(s).	adult(s)
EBL	Elephant Butte Lake	subad(s).	subadult(s)
GBA	Gila Bird Area	imm(s).	immature(s)
L.	Lake, Laguna	juv(s).	juvenile(s)
LVNWR	Las Vegas NWR	sp.	species
MSB	Museum of Southwestern Biology	m.ob	many observers
Mt(s).	Mountain(s)	v.o.	various observers
NM	National Monument	+	others; et al.
NMSU	New Mexico State Univ.	*	written details provided
NP	National Park	**	photo or tape provided
NRT	north <i>Roosevelt</i> trap	***	specimen obtained
NWR	National Wildlife Refuge		
R.	River		
RGNC	Rio Grande Nature Center		
RGV	Rio Grande Valley		

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## SPECIES ACCOUNTS

**Greater White-fronted Goose**—Earliest were one at EBL 8-10 Sep & 2 there 11 Sep (DJC\*\*). Two at Gatlin L. 2 Oct (T. Mitchusson) provided a *Catron* first. High count was 13 at Caballo L. 6 Nov (DJC).

**Tundra Swan**—First arrivals were 5 at LVNWR 26 Nov (NEH\*\*) and 2 at BLNWR 30 Nov (K. & M. Quick\*\*).

**Wood Duck**—Peripheral were 8 near Gila 14 Nov (DLH), 3 at GBA 12 Nov (RSS), and singles at Acomita L. 6 Nov (DJK), Clayton L. 2 Sep (DEW), and Clovis 28 Oct (JRO).

**Surf Scoter**—Early Nov brought singles to four locales: Holloman L. 5-6 Nov (DMS\*\*, NGS\*, JEP\*) Bluewater L. 11 Nov (NDP\*\*), EBL 11 Nov (CIS\*), and Bosque NWR 15 Nov (*fide* CIS\*).

**Barrow's Goldeneye**—A ♀ was on Heron L. 12 Nov (MJB\*, NDP\*).

**Red-breasted Merganser**—Earliest were 2 at Maxwell NWR 30 Oct (JEP) and one at Bluewater L., *McKinley* 31 Oct (CMR).

**Ruddy Duck**—Late was a ♀ with eight young near Farmington 2 Oct (TR).

**Montezuma Quail**—One or more were vocal at 2835 m on Mt. Withington, San Mateo Mts. 7-8 Aug (WFWe).

**Ring-necked Pheasant**—Once abundant at Seven Rivers WMA, *Eddy* but now very scarce, apparently owing to feral hogs that eat eggs and destroy habitat (SW).

**“Gould's” Wild Turkey**—Five were n. to P.O. Canyon 31 Oct (CDL).

**Red-throated Loon**—Two were at Springer L. 13-19 Nov (JRO\*\*, JEP\*, NEH\*\*).

**Pacific Loon**—Singles were at Bluewater L. 31 Oct-6 Nov (CMR\*, DJK) and Springer L. 6-19 Nov (CMR\*, JRO\*, JEP\*, NEH\*).

**Common Loon**—One came down on a road at Playas 1 Nov (WPC\*\*).

**Horned Grebe**—One was w. to Bluewater L., *McKinley* 31 Oct-6 Nov (CMR\*, DJK).

**Red-necked Grebe**—Singles were documented at Bosque NWR 23 Nov (JEP\*, C. L. Marple\*\*) and Storrie L. 26 Nov (NEH\*\*).

***Aechmophorus* grebes**—Had a productive but late nesting season at Stubblefield L., where there were 44 active nests 10 Aug (MLW\*\*) and at least five **Western** families with chicks and eight **Clark's** families with chicks 22 Sep (WHH\*). An ad. **Clark's** and two begging chicks were at LVNWR 6 Nov (CMR\*).

**Neotropic Cormorant**—An ad. was at Clovis 10 Sep (JEP).

**American White Pelican**—Numerous in the lower RGV, including 1225 counted at EBL 22 Sep (DJC).

**Brown Pelican**—An imm. landed at Lordsburg 2 Aug (WPC\*\*). Continuing from summer were at least 3 in the EBL-Caballo L. area Aug-Nov (m.ob., m.ph.).

**American Bittern**—One was at Bottomless Lakes SP 15 Sep (KBO).

**Least Bittern**—One was at EBL 3 Aug (audio DJC).

**Great Egret**—Late for the n. was one at Springer L. 13 Nov (JEP).

**Little Blue Heron**—One at Belen provided the lone report (D. Prichard).

**Tricolored Heron**—One was at BLNWR 4-18 Aug (JIS).

**Cattle Egret**—The roost at Belen peaked at 470 on 17 Sep (DLH). Very late were 8 at Cochiti L. 22 Nov (LC\*\*) and one at Bosque NWR 26 Nov (CMR).

**Green Heron**—An ad. was tending three nestlings at BLNWR 18 Aug (JIS). One at Los Alamos 8 Oct (G. Echave\*\*) provided a local first.

**Yellow-crowned Night-Heron**—Another strong season found single ads. at Las Cruces 4 Aug (DJG, H. Throop\*\*) and the Bottomless Lakes SP “overflow wetlands” 15 Sep (KBO), and single imms. at EBL 14 Aug (CMR\*) and Clovis 27 Aug (JRO\*\*, JEP\*).

**White-faced Ibis**—Three lingered n. to Maxwell NWR 19 Nov (JEP).

**Roseate Spoonbill**—Previously unreported in the RGV, an imm. was at Caballo L. 29 Sep (LSG\*\*) and another (or the same?) was n. to Bosque NWR 3 Oct (J. McMains\*\*).

**White-tailed Kite**—At least 2 were in the Bosque NWR area 31 Oct and later (m.ob., J. Prudente\*\*) and one was in the Uvas Valley, *Luna* 30 Oct & 10 Nov (DJC\*\*).

**Bald Eagle**—Notably early was an ad. at Weatherly L., *Union* 7 Aug (DLH). High count for the season was 50 at Heron L. 2 Nov (MLW).

**Common Black-Hawk**—Juvs. were at two Santa Rosa locales 18 Aug (WFWe). Two were near Lincoln 15 Aug (NDP). A migrant at Oliver Lee SP 18 Aug (WFWi) provided a local first.

**Harris’s Hawk**—One continued at Santa Teresa 15 Aug (CMR).

**Broad-winged Hawk**—One was at Sumner Dam 18-19 Sep (NDP, CLB\*\*, JPB\*\*, JRO\*\*), singles were at NRT 26 Sep (JRO\*\*) & 3 Oct (JRO\*\*), and one was at Boone’s Draw 10 Oct (NDP).

**Gray Hawk**—Ads. and juvs. were found in both Guadalupe Canyon 28 Aug (CJW\*\*) and the Black R. area, *Eddy* 15 Aug (NDP).

**Zone-tailed Hawk**—Noteworthy for the RGV were one at EBL Dam 12 Aug & 4 Sep (DJC\*\*) and along lower Las Animas Cr. 7 Aug (DJC). An ad. and a fledgling were in the middle Animas Valley 14-15 Aug (JEP, WFWi, JRO).

**Rough-legged Hawk**—Early was one near LVNWR 10 Oct (JPB).

**Merlin**—Earliest was one s. to Otero Mesa 24-25 Sep (SW).

**Virginia Rail**—Lingering in the n. were singles at Taos 24 Oct (CMR) and Morgan L. 12 Nov (TR). High count was 17 at Bottomless Lakes SP 14-15 Sep (KBO).

**Sora**—An impressive 30 were at Six Mile Dam 7 Oct (SW).

**Common Moorhen**—One wandered to Red L., Guadalupe Mts. 17 Sep (SW).

**American Coot**—One was found alive, hiding in a crack in a boulder, at 2423 m atop Mt. Ferguson, Burro Mts. 11 Oct (DJG\*\*).

**Sandhill Crane**—Impressive numbers visited the Pecos Valley in the vicinity of Roswell, peaking at 28,100 on 10 Nov, most of them at BLNWR (JIS).

**Black-bellied Plover**—One was w. to Morgan L. 26-27 Sep (TR\*\*). In the e., high counts were 4 at Holloman L. 1 Oct (DMS) and 6 at Grulla NWR 15 Oct (JEP). Late was one at Caballo L. 30 Nov (DJC\*\*).

**American Golden-Plover**—One was at Holloman L. 1 Oct (DMS\*\*) where 3 were reported 8 Oct (LKM\*). Singles were at BLNWR 17 Sep (JEP\*) and Caballo L. 23-30 Oct (DJC\*\*, LKM, CJW\*\*, NEH\*\*).

**Semipalmated Plover**—A high 14 were at EBL 13 Sep (DJC).

**Mountain Plover**—One on the Armendariz Ranch at Hackberry Well, s. *Socorro* 14 Aug (C. Sanborn) furnished a local first.

**American Avocet**—Late for the n. was one at Stubblefield L. 7 Nov (CMR); late for the state were 2 at EBL 29 Nov (DJC).

**Lesser Yellowlegs**—Late were singles at Bosque NWR (LC\*\*) and EBL (CMR\*) 26 Nov.

**Upland Sandpiper**—Generally small numbers were detected 7 Aug-5 Sep in *Union* (DLH), *Quay* (WFWe), *Roosevelt* (JRO, NDP), *Eddy* (SW, NDP), and *Doña Ana* (CMR), including a high 30 over Rattlesnake Springs 15 Aug (NDP).

**Whimbrel**—One at BLNWR 4 Aug (J.B. Montgomery, NS\*\*) remained to 18 Aug (JIS).

**Long-billed Curlew**—Large numbers were reported, including 1007 at Grulla NWR 15 Oct (JEP), 400 near Otis 26 Oct (SW), and 325 near Loving 18 Oct (DLH).

**Marbled Godwit**—Late singles were at Caballo L. 2 Oct (DJC) and BLNWR 13 Oct (JIS\*).



**Sanderling**—Latest were singles at Holloman L. 13-14 Oct (MJB, CJW\*\*), EBL 14 Oct (DJC\*\*), and Grulla NWR 15 Oct (JEP, WFWi).

**Semipalmated Sandpiper**—West to the RGV were 3 at Belen 15 Aug (NDP) where there was one 21 Aug (DJK), and one at San Antonio 4 Sep (MOH).

**Western Sandpiper**—Six lingered at Caballo L. 30 Nov (DJC).

**Least Sandpiper**—An impressive 1282 were at Caballo L. 27 Oct (DJC).

**Baird's Sandpiper**—One was late at Maxwell NWR 19 Nov (JEP).

**Pectoral Sandpiper**—Widely reported 15 Aug-30 Oct, including one at Tyrone 19 Sep (ERL), where rare.

**Dunlin**—Up to 4 were at Morgan L. 22 Oct-27 Nov (TR\*\*, MJB, NDP); 2 were at Caballo L. 20-30 Nov (DJC).

**Stilt Sandpiper**—Five at Holloman L. 23 Sep (DMS\*\*) were the first verified for *Otero*.

**Buff-breasted Sandpiper**—An juv. was at Holloman L. 23 Sep (DMS\*\*) but could not be relocated the following week; a different juv. was there 4 Oct (DMS\*\*).

**Short-billed Dowitcher**—One identified by voice only was at Lordsburg 17 Aug (SW) and another vocal but undetailed one was at Holloman L. 16 Aug (WFWi), where another was definitively documented 23 Sep (DMS\*\*). Two dowitchers thought to be Short-billeds photographed at Caballo L. 28 Nov could not be identified to species by the New Mexico Bird Records Committee.

**American Woodcock**—One that made a brief stop at Rattlesnake Springs 12 Nov (SW\*) provided the state's 12<sup>th</sup> credible record.

**Wilson's Phalarope**—A high 3000 were estimated at Holloman L. 31 Aug (SW), where there was a late one 5 Nov (JEP).

**Red-necked Phalarope**—Notably plentiful in Sep, including 22 at EBL 13 Sep (DJC\*\*), 50 at LVNWR 16 Sep (WFWe), 100 at Holloman L. 17 Sep (CJW), 146 at Maxwell NWR 18 Sep (WHH) and 270 at Stubblefield L. 22 Sep (WHH).

**Red Phalarope**—One at Holloman L. 1 Nov (DMS\*\*) was joined by another 5-6 Nov (DMS\*\*, JEP\*, WFWi).

**Black-legged Kittiwake**—Most reports in New Mexico are of juvs., so noteworthy were single ads. at Clovis 24 Sep (JEP\*, WFWi\*\*, JRO\*\*) and EBL 8 Nov (DJC\*).

**Sabine's Gull**—Another good season, with up to 4 w. to Morgan L. 26-27 Sep (TR), a *Los Alamos* first at Bandelier NM 19 Sep (SMF\*\*), 2 at Maxwell NWR 18 Sep (WHH\*\*) & 25 Sep (NEH\*\*), up to 3 at Conchas L. 17-28 Sep (NDP, JEP, JRO, CJW), plus a juv. at Sumner L. 2 Oct (JEP) and an ad. there 9 Oct (JEP\*, WFWi).

**Bonaparte's Gull**—One was w. to Tyrone 28 Nov (ERL\*\*).

**Laughing Gull**—A first-winter one was at Brantley L. 14 Aug (MJB\*\*, NDP\*\*) and a winter ad. was at Springer L. 9 Oct (CMB\*\*).

**Mew Gull**—A first-winter one was at EBL 24 Sep (DJC\*).

**California Gull**—Two ads. were s. to Sunland Park 23-26 Nov (JNP), where there were 1000+ **Ring-billed Gulls** 30 Nov (JNP).

**Lesser Black-backed Gull**—A first-winter one was at EBL 7 Nov (DJC\*\*), marking the 5th consecutive year for the species in the state.

**Least Tern**—One was w. to Bosque NWR 14 Aug (CMR\*).

**Caspian Tern**—Singles were at Sumner L. 24 Aug (LKM\*) and Morgan L. 26 Sep (TR\*\*).

**Black Tern**—Two were in the Uvas Valley, *Doña Ana* 2 Sep (MTS, JEZ). A high 205 were counted at BLNWR 1 Sep (SW).

**Common Tern**—Made an especially strong showing, with 2 at Morgan L. 25 Sep (TR\*\*), 6 each at Stubblefield L. 22 Sep (WHH\*) and Ute L. 17 Sep (NDP), up to 25 at Conchas L. 17-18 Sep (NDP, JEP\*, JRO), singles at Sumner L. 18 Sep (NDP) and Clovis 1 Oct (JEP, JRO), 4 at BLNWR 17 Sep (JEP), and up to 6 at EBL 22-24 Sep (DJC\*\*).

**Forster's Tern**—Four lingered at Morgan L. 6 Oct (TR\*\*).

**jaeger sp.**—A jaeger reported as a dark morph juv. Pomarine was at LVNWR 14 Nov, but the details and distant photographs were judged not definitive for that species by the New Mexico Bird Records Committee.

**Long-tailed Jaeger**—An ad. was well-documented at Brantley L. 27 Aug (JRO\*\*, JEP\*, SW); undetailed was this or another there 1 Sep (SW) and possibly 23 Sep (SW). A juv. was extensively documented at BLNWR 20 Sep (JIS\*\*).

**White-winged Dove**—A pair was tending 2 juvs. at Clayton 30 Aug (DW). Scarce in *Torrance*, 28 were in Fourth of July Canyon 19 Sep (CMR).

**Common Ground-Dove**—Reported across the s., with singles in Guadalupe Canyon 21 Aug (MOH), middle Animas Valley 28 Aug (CJW), near Radium Springs 10-11 Nov (MTS, JEZ), Las Cruces 17 Nov (JLD), and the vicinity of Rattlesnake Springs 15 Aug (NDP) & 1 Oct (SW\*\*).

**Ruddy Ground-Dove**—A ♂ was at Slaughter Canyon, *Eddy* 6 Sep (DLH\*).

**[Monk Parakeet]**—Continuing from May, the one near Albuquerque's Alameda bridge persisted into Nov (CLH, MJO), where it maintained a nest/roost structure in a yucca.

**Barn Owl**—Some 13 were in a saltcedar roost at Boone's Draw 9 Sep (MOH).

**Flammulated Owl**—Singles were on the e. plains at NRT 9 Oct (JRO\*\*), at Boone's Draw 10 Oct (MJB\*\*), and in *Curry* s. of Cannon AFB 10-23 Oct (JL\*\*). One at Petroglyph NM, *Bernalillo* 8 Oct (Y. Chauvin\*\*) furnished a local first.

**Western Screech-Owl**—A pair fledged three young from a box at Corrales, where the juvs. were seen through 15 Sep (DJK).

**Northern Pygmy-Owl**—North to the Zuni area was one giving double-note calls in Little Walnut Canyon 2 Oct (JAT\*).

**Barred Owl**—Accidental in New Mexico, one was at Boone's Draw 8-9 Sep (CLB\*, MOH\*) but could not be found 10 Sep or later.

**Boreal Owl**—Surveys located 5 individuals in three general locales: 2 in the Sawmill Peak area, *Taos* 21 Sep, 2 in the Apache Cr. area, *Rio Arriba* 19 Oct, and one in the vicinity of the Santa Fe Ski Area 24 Oct (HAW et al.).

**Northern Saw-whet Owl**—Single migrants were at NRT 30 Sep (JRO\*\*) and 10 Oct (JRO\*\*, MJB\*\*, LKM\*).

**Lesser Nighthawk**—One roosted on cobblestones in a Mesilla yard 16 Aug-21 Oct (MTS, JEZ\*\*), where reportedly also present during autumn 2009.

**Common Poorwill**—Late was one in P.O. Canyon 2 Nov (CDL).

**Eastern Whip-poor-will**—One at NRT 8 Oct was netted, measured, and photographed, and several feathers were collected before the bird was released (JRO\*\*, JEP\*, MJB\*, NDP\*; feathers to MSB); mitochondrial DNA sequencing confirmed it as New Mexico's first certain record (*fide* CCW).

**Chimney Swift**—Three were at Carlsbad 23 Sep (SW).

**Vaux's Swift**—Three believed to be this species were described at Percha SP 13 Oct (CLB\*); the species was only recently confirmed in the state.

**Broad-billed Hummingbird**—A ♀ was e. to Carlsbad 7 Oct where it continued through Nov (E. Pierce\*), the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive year a ♀ has occurred there.

**Violet-crowned Hummingbird**—Singles were n. to P.O. Canyon 11 Sep (CDL\*) and e. to Las Cruces 7 Nov (J. Groves\*\*); 6 were in Guadalupe Canyon 28 Aug (CJW).

**Blue-throated Hummingbird**—A ♀ was in P.O. Canyon 23 Sep (CDL).

**Magnificent Hummingbird**—Noteworthy were singles in the Black Range n. of Kingston 7 Aug (DJC\*) and at Alamo Tank, Otero Mesa 25 Sep (SW).

**Lucifer Hummingbird**—Fewer were counted at P.O. Canyon feeders, likely owing to abundant wildflowers; peak was 24 on 30 Aug and last was a ♂ 28 Sep (CDL).

**Anna's Hummingbird**—Peaked at 25 in P.O. Canyon 5 Oct, then declined (CDL). Earliest Las Cruces arrival was on 31 Aug (JLD) but not regular there until 18 Oct; first

near Radium Springs was on 28 Oct (MTS, JEZ). One was e. to Oliver Lee SP 28 Oct (WFWi).

**Calliope Hummingbird**—One was e. to NRT 5 Sep (NDP).

**Broad-tailed Hummingbird**—An albino was at Ruidoso, *Lincoln* 20 Sep (D. L. Tremblay\*\*). Late singles were at Albuquerque 3 Nov (DLH) and near Radium Springs 11 Nov (MTS, JEZ).

**Rufous Hummingbird**—Up to 3 lingered at Las Cruces 30 Nov (RC\*).

**Belted Kingfisher**—One was at Alamo Tank, Otero Mesa 24 Sep (SW). Two were at Deming 18 Oct (LKM).

**Red-bellied Woodpecker**—Under review is one described along Trigg Rd., e. *San Miguel* 25 Sep (J. Osterhouse\*); the species was last reported in the state in 2006.

**Yellow-bellied Sapsucker**—One was at NRT 1-2 Oct (JRO), 17 Oct (JPB\*\*), & 22-24 Oct (JEP, JRO, NDP).

**Ladder-backed Woodpecker**—Only recently arrived in the Zuni Mts., one or more were in Bluewater Gorge 27 Sep (JAT).

**Downy Woodpecker**—One at NRT 25 Sep was described as an “eastern” (MJB\*, CJW\*\*). One was found above 3200 m on Elk Mt., *San Miguel* 24 Nov (CJW).

**American Three-toed Woodpecker**—Where seldom reported were one along the Kayser Trail, Manzano Mts., *Torrance* 1 Aug (JPJ) and at least 3 at two sites in the Black Range w. of Poverty Creek 13 Oct-17 Nov (DJC\*\*).

**Northern Flicker**—Apparently pure “**Yellow-shafteds**” were single ♂♂ at Ned Houk Park 2 Oct (NEH\*\*) and NRT 25-26 Sep (JEP\*, SC\*\*) and a ♀ at NRT 16 Oct (NEH\*\*).

**Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet**—Two were in Guadalupe Canyon 28 Aug (CJW).

**Eastern Wood-Pewee**—One was vocal at NRT 8 Sep (audio CLB\*); there are fewer than 20 acceptable state records, only 5 of them in autumn.

**Yellow-bellied Flycatcher**—With only four previous records, this is one of the state’s rarest eastern strays. This season, one was extensively documented at NRT 9-10 Sep (JRO\*\*, JEP\*, NDP\*\*, MJB\*\*, CJW\*\*) and another was convincingly documented at Boone’s Draw 25 Sep (CJW\*, MJB\*, NDP\*, \*\*\* to MSB).

**Willow Flycatcher**—Late singles were seen at NRT 26 Sep (CMR) and netted at Boone’s Draw 25 Sep (CJW).

**Gray Flycatcher**—Seldom verified in the e., singles were at NRT 6 Sep (JWS\*\*) and Boone’s Draw 18 Sep (MJB, CJW\*\*).

**Pacific-slope Flycatcher**—The status of this species in the state remains unclear; this season, a “Western” giving a one-note call in Guadalupe Canyon 28 Aug (CJW\*) may

have been a Pacific-slope, and 2 banded at RGNC 20 Sep had measurements consistent with Pacific-slope (*fide* MOH).

**Black Phoebe**—One was ne. to Ned Houk Park 8 Oct (JEP, WFWi).

**Eastern Phoebe**—Conspicuous from the RGV eastward Aug-Nov. One was w. to Glenwood 13-14 Nov (DLH).

**Vermilion Flycatcher**—A ♂ was at Ramon 14-21 Sep (WFWi).

**Great Crested Flycatcher**—Singles were at Boone's Draw 18 Sep (MJB\*, CJW\*, JPB\*\*) and NRT 25 Sep (JRO\*, MJB\*, CJW\*\*).

**Tropical Kingbird**—The state-first pair at Santa Teresa in Jul was still present 15 Aug (CMR\*) and at least one individual was there 22 Aug (JNP).

**Thick-billed Kingbird**—Three lingered in Guadalupe Canyon 28 Aug (CJW).

**Scissor-tailed Flycatcher**—Autumn flocks included 32 at Ute L. 25 Sep (CMR), 20 w. of NRT 1 Oct (JEP), 12 at San Jon 6 Sep (KBO), and 10 at Six Mile Dam 13 Oct (SW).

**Northern Shrike**—Earliest were 2 se. of Cimarron 16 Nov (CLB) and one n. of Maxwell 19 Nov (JEP\*).

**Bell's Vireo**—One was singing n. to Sumner Dam 28 Aug & 4 Sep (JEP). A bright one, possibly of the nominate race, was at NRT 28-29 Aug (JEP, SC\*\*) & 5 Sep (NDP). Young were begging from ads. below EBL Dam 9 Sep (DJC). A late ♂ was singing at the GBA 28 Sep (RSS); also late were 4 singing in the middle Animas Valley 3 Oct (DLH).

**Yellow-throated Vireo**—Latest yet for New Mexico was one at NRT 15-16 Oct (JEP\*, WFWi, CLB, NEH\*\*).

**Blue-headed Vireo**—Identified at three locales: one to 2 at NRT on multiple dates 25 Sep-23 Oct (JEP\*, m.ob., JRO\*\*, CJW\*\*, NEH\*\*), one at Ned Houk Park 2 Oct (CMR\*), and up to 3 at Boone's Draw 9-10 Oct (MJB\*, NDP).

**Hutton's Vireo**—Two were in Fillmore Canyon, Organ Mts. 27 Aug (DJG).

**Philadelphia Vireo**—One was at NRT 11 Oct (C. Mangeng\*) and presumably the same one was relocated 15 Oct (JEP\*, JRO\*\*).

**Red-eyed Vireo**—One was at a rest area n. of Watrous 16 Sep (CMR). One was at NRT 26 Sep (JRO\*\*, SC\*\*, CMR).

**Steller's Jay**—One strayed to Brushy Canyon, Peloncillo Mts. 9 Nov (CDL).

**Blue Jay**—West were singles at Santa Fe 3-22 Nov (JPB\*\*), Radium Springs 31 Oct (MTS\*, JEZ\*), and La Union 30 Nov (DAB\*\*).

**Mexican Jay**—Awaiting confirmation are reports of up to 6 in Rosedale Canyon, on the e. slope of the San Mateo Mts. 10 Sep & 19-20 Oct (DJG\*).

**Black-billed Magpie**—One was s. to Corrales 24 Oct (DJK).

**Chihuahuan Raven**—Impressive for *Santa Fe* were 588 near Stanley 16 Sep (CMR). In the RGV, 3 were n. to Corrales 11 Oct (WHH).

**Common Raven**—Noteworthy were 2 s. of Whites City, *Eddy* 12 Nov (SW).

**Purple Martin**—Breeding colonies were noted in Slash Draw, Datil Mts. 8 Aug (JPJ), in Chimney and Bear Trap canyons in the San Mateo Mts. 7-8 Aug (WFWe), and at three locales in the Black Range w. of Poverty Creek 4 Aug (DJC\*\*).

**Cave Swallow**—Has become increasingly common in rural areas near Carlsbad, e.g., 700 in alfalfa fields e. of town 7 Oct (SW). Last at CCNP were 50 on 7 Nov (SW).

**Barn Swallow**—Noteworthy were 1200+ near Radium Springs 22 Sep (MTS, JEZ) and 2200 at Sumner L. 26 Sep (CMR). Late was one at RGNC 14 Nov (C. Davis).

**Mountain Chickadee**—One was s. in the RGV to La Union 16 Nov (DAB).

**Pygmy Nuthatch**—Far e., one at NRT 10-11 Sep (JEP, JRO, CJW\*\*) was a local first.

**Rock Wren**—Ten migrants were counted at NRT 25 Sep (CJW).

**Carolina Wren**—A vocal pair was in the bosque s. of San Antonio 3 Sep (MOH, CCW) and a single was near San Marcial 30 Aug (ABJ). One was in the Sandia Mts. near Capulin Spring 18 Nov (WFWe).

**Winter and Pacific wrens**—Reports of “winter wrens” have been increasing in New Mexico for more than a decade, and this season continued that trend, with at least 16 individuals reported, but now with the added “post-split” challenge of distinguishing Winters from Pacifics. In the far w., a vocal **Winter** was at Bluewater Dam 6 & 10 Nov (DJK\*, NDP), while a silent bird at Mangas Springs 30 Nov was thought to be a **Pacific** (DJG\*). In the RGV, a vocal **Winter** and a vocal **Pacific** were at Corrales 24 Oct (DJK\*). Others reported as **Winters** were singles at Taos 24 Oct (CMR\*, NEH\*), Frijoles Canyon, *Sandoval* 10 Nov (SMF\*\*), and EBL 19-24 Nov (DJC\*\*), and 2 in Cienega Canyon, Sandia Mts. 28 Nov (CJW\*, JEP\*). East of the main mountain chains were single **Winters** at Valmora 6 Nov (CMR\*) and Santa Rosa 27 Nov (JEP\*), one to 2 at NRT on multiple dates 9-22 Oct (JEP\*, JRO\*\*, NEH\*\*, MOH, NDP), and 2 at Tatum 22 Oct (JEP\*, JRO). One of uncertain species was at Holy Ghost CG n. of Pecos, *San Miguel* 24 Oct (CJW).

**Swainson’s Thrush**—One was late at NRT 10-14 Oct (MJB, NDP, JRO).

**Wood Thrush**—One was at NRT 1 Oct (JRO\*\*, JEP\*) and another was netted at Boone’s Draw 9 Oct (MJB\*, NDP, \*\*\* to MSB).

**Rufous-backed Robin**—One s. of Cannon AFB in *Curry* 19-22 Nov (JL\*\*) provided an unexpected first for the e. plains (JL\*\*).

**American Robin**—A rare breeder in the Organ Mts., ads. with spotted young were in Rucker Canyon 10-11 Aug and Fillmore Canyon 27 Aug (DJG).

**Varied Thrush**—A busy season, with a ♂ at Milnesand 4-5 Oct (G. Beauprez\*\*, CJW\*\*, SC, P. McDaniels), a ♀ at Caballo L. 16 Nov (DJC\*\*), and a ♀ at Corrales 28-30 Nov (CGL\*, WHH\*\*, CLH\*, NEH\*\*).

**Gray Catbird**—Late for the n. was one at Taos 24 Oct (CMR). Nov records were singles at EBL Dam until 5 Nov (DJC), P.O. Canyon 10 Nov (CDL), Rattlesnake Springs 14-15 Nov (JRO), and in n. Las Cruces 25-30 Nov (RC).

**Brown Thrasher**—High count was 3 at Sumner Dam 2 Oct (JEP). One to 2 others were at seven locales from the RGV eastward after 24 Sep.

**Curve-billed Thrasher**—Scarce in *Mora*, one was n. of Watrous 16 Sep (CMR). North in *Santa Fe* was one at Santa Cruz L. 17 Sep (CDH\*\*).

**Crissal Thrasher**—One was n. to Santa Cruz L., n. *Santa Fe* where banded and photographed 22 Aug & 17 Sep (CDH\*\*).

**Sprague's Pipit**—Southbound migrants were found in *San Miguel*, *Curry*, *Quay*, *Roosevelt*, *Bernalillo*, *Socorro*, and *Otero* after 26 Sep; noteworthy were singles at LVNWR 6 Nov (CMR\*), and Albuquerque's West Mesa 31 Oct (CMR\*) and 3 near Sevilleta NWR's Los Pinos Mts. 16 Oct (WHH).

**Olive Warbler**—A ♀ was in Skull Canyon, Peloncillo Mts. 27 Oct (CDL). Two were in pinyon pines at the Catwalk near Glenwood 30 Nov (DJG).

**Lapland Longspur**—Among the few reports were one to 2 se. of Cimarron 16-19 Nov (CLB, JEP), one at Springer L. 26 Nov (JEP), and 2 at Conchas L. 27 Nov (JEP).

**Chestnut-collared Longspur**—Arrived across a broad front in late Sep, including 25 at Wagon Mound (DLH) and singles at Bueyeros, *Harding* (CMR) and Conchas L. (NDP) 25 Sep, 3 at Bluewater L. (JAT) and 2 at McAlister, *Quay* (CMR) 26 Sep, and 2 at Zuni's Tekapo 28 Sep (JAT).

**Tennessee Warbler**—One was described at Maxwell NWR 26 Sep (NEH\*) and, on the same day, 2 were described at Cundiyo, *Santa Fe* (D.A. Holdermann\*).

**Orange-crowned Warbler**—Late for the n. was one at Ute L. 26 Nov (JEP).

**Nashville Warbler**—Much in evidence statewide, including 20 in Guadalupe Canyon 21 Aug (MOH). One w. to Zuni's Blackrock bosque 30 Sep (JAT\*) was described as the eastern race *ruficapilla*; one e. to NRT 15 Oct (JRO) was identified as the western *ridgwayi*.

**Northern Parula**—One was at the snow-covered Taos Ski Area 24 Oct (CMR\*, NEH\*\*). Others were singles near Santa Rosa 18 Aug (WFWe), Percha SP 30 Oct (CJW\*), near Radium Springs 10-30 Nov (MTS, JEZ\*\*), and Guadalupe Canyon 21 Aug (MOH\*).

**Yellow Warbler**—Late was one at NRT 16 Oct (JEP, NDP).

**Chestnut-sided Warbler**—Singles were at Boone's Draw 9 Sep (MOH\*) and NRT 30 Sep-2 Oct (JRO\*\*, JEP\*, NEH\*\*, CMR\*).

**Black-throated Blue Warbler**—A ♂ in Rinconada Canyon 10 km nw. of San Fidel 23 Sep (E. M. Anderson\*\*) provided a first for *Cibola*.

**Black-throated Green Warbler**—A good season, with singles at NRT 9 Oct (JEP\*, WFWi), 17 Oct (NEH\*\*, JPB\*\*), and 21-23 Oct (JRO, JEP\*), Boone's Draw 9 Oct (MJB\*, NDP) and 24 Oct (MJB\*\*\*, NDP), and at Alamo Tank, Otero Mesa 25 Sep (SW\*).

**Townsend's Warbler**—One was e. to NRT 27 Aug (JEP, JRO).

**Hermit Warbler**—One was e. to the Piedra Lisa Trail, Sandia Mts. 29 Aug (DJK).

**Blackburnian Warbler**—One at NRT 26 Aug (A.M. Kraynik\*) was the earliest yet recorded in New Mexico.

**Pine Warbler**—One was at EBL 19 Nov (DJC\*\*).

**Palm Warbler**—One was early at NRT 17-19 Sep (JEP\*, NDP\*\*, CLB\*\*, JMB\*\*); another was at Percha Flats, Caballo L. 14 Oct (D.F. Jenness\*).

**Blackpoll Warbler**—A first-year individual was at NRT 16 Sep (WFWe\*) and the same or another was there 25 Sep (JEP\*, JRO\*\*, MJB\*, CJW\*\*).

**Black-and-white Warbler**—Reported at seven locales in *Socorro*, *De Baca*, *Roosevelt*, and *Curry* 12 Aug-9 Oct (m.ob.).

**American Redstart**—Found at nine sites from the RGV eastward in *Sandoval*, *Sierra*, *Santa Fe*, *San Miguel*, *De Baca*, *Roosevelt*, and *Lea* 27 Aug-20 Nov (m.ob.).

**Prothonotary Warbler**—One visited NRT 28 Aug (JEP\*, WFWi).

**Northern Waterthrush**—One was catching mosquito fish at a s. *Curry* pond 27 Sep (JL).

**Mourning Warbler**—An impressive 3 were detailed, one each at Boone's Draw 5 Sep (MJB\*, NDP\*, CJW\*\*, MOH), Carlsbad 7-8 Sep (SW\*), and Sumner Dam 18 Sep (CLB\*).

**Hooded Warbler**—A ♀ was at NRT 18 Aug (CLB) and a ♂ was at Milnesand 1-2 Oct (JEP\*, JRO, CLB).

**Red-faced Warbler**—Unexpected in the Organ Mts., single ads. were in Fillmore Canyon 10 Aug (DJG) and Rucker Canyon 11 Aug (DJG).



**Eastern Towhee**—Last reported in New Mexico in 2006, 2 appeared this season, a ♀ at NRT 14-17 Oct (JRO\*\*, m.ob., MJB\*\*, NDP\*\*, CLB\*\*) and another ♀ at Madrid 14 Oct (LAS\*) that remained through Nov (m.ob., JPB\*\*, JRO\*\*).

**Rufous-crowned Sparrow**—Scarce in the Zuni region, one was at Bluewater Village, *Cibola* 31 Oct (CMR).

**Canyon Towhee**—Ads. were tending a fledgling at Clayton L. 31 Aug (DEW).

**Botteri's Sparrow**—The only report away from the middle Animas Valley was one near Rodeo 15 Aug (REW).

**Cassin's Sparrow**—Likely stimulated by the rains, one was singing along the Delaware R., *Eddy* 6 Oct (SW).

**Clay-colored Sparrow**—One was late at La Union 29 Nov (DAB\*\*).

**Field Sparrow**—From one to 6 were present at NRT 1 Oct-3 Nov (JEP, MJB, NDP, JRO, CMR); one was at Boone's Draw 24 Oct (NDP).

**Grasshopper Sparrow**—Unusually widespread, with one to 4 migrants reported from nine counties from the RGV eastward 25 Sep-30 Oct (m.ob.).

**Baird's Sparrow**—A high 8 were on Otero Mesa 14 Oct (CJW\*\*, MJB). Singles were at Ramon 22 Sep (SW) and Ladder Ranch 30 Oct (WFWe).

**Fox Sparrow**—Single reddish ones were in *Curry* s. of Cannon AFB 25 Nov (JL\*\*) and NRT 9 Oct (JRO); single slate-colored ones were in the Zuni Mts. on Mt. Sedgewick 26 Sep (JAT) and in Zuni's Alamosa Canyon 2 Oct (JAT).

**Swamp Sparrow**—Noteworthy were one at the Santa Fe Canyon Preserve 19 Oct (JPB) and 2 below Bluewater Dam, *Cibola* 6 Nov (DJK); local firsts were singles in Lake Valley 10 Nov (DJC\*\*) and Tyrone 14 Nov (ERL).

**Harris's Sparrow**—One lingered at NRT 10-20 Oct (MJB\*\*, JRO\*\*, NDP\*\*) and one was at Clayton L. 25 Nov (DW).

**“Pink-sided” Junco**—Unseasonal was one in the Manzano Mts. 1 Aug (JPJ\*\*).

**Yellow-eyed Junco**—Far n. of known range, and providing a *Socorro* first, was one on Mt. Withington, San Mateo Mts. 26 Aug (WFWe) and 10 Sep (DJG); however, surveys of known territories in the Burro Mts. 19 Sep found none (DJG).

**Scarlet Tanager**—A dull-colored one was at NRT 9 Oct (JEP\*, JRO\*\*, WFWi).

**Northern Cardinal**—Ads. with young were along Tierra Blanca Cr. s. of Hillsboro Aug-Nov (DJC\*\*). In the ne., 2 were at Ute L. 25 Sep (CMR).

**Pyrrhuloxia**—One was n. in the RGV to Tome, *Valencia* 13 Nov (CMR).

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak**—A ♂ at NRT 3 Oct (JRO) and a ♀ there 21 Oct (JRO\*\*) provided the only reports.

**Lazuli Bunting**—Two pairs nested s. to Tierra Blanca Cr., w. *Sierra* where ♂♂ were feeding fledglings 8-28 Aug (DJC\*\*).

**Varied Bunting**—A ♂ was tending three fledglings in Rattlesnake Canyon, CCNP 2 Sep (HAW\*\*).

**Painted Bunting**—A ♀ was w. to Cerrillos 21 Sep (LAS).

**Dickcissel**—Made a good showing across the s. half of the state in Sep, with an early one at Rodeo 15 Aug (REW) and the last at Percha SP 2 Oct (CJW); notable were one in Alamo Canyon, *Sandoval* 16 Sep (SMF\*\*), 5 at NRT (CLB\*\*) & 7 at Holloman L. (CJW, MJB) 17 Sep, and a high 11 at Boone's Draw 18 Sep (CJW).

**Rusty Blackbird**—A ♀ was w. to San Isidro, *Sandoval* 4 Nov (M.R. Gracey\*, P. Trine\*\*).

**Brown-headed Cowbird**—A fledgling was being fed by a Bewick's Wren pair at Percha SP 15 Aug (CMR).

**Baltimore Oriole**—A young ♂ was at NRT 5 Sep (JRO\*\*, CJW\*, NDP) and another was there 16 Sep (WFWe). An ad. ♂ at Boone's Draw 8-9 Sep (CLB\*\*, MOH\*) was associating with a possible ♀ Baltimore.

**Scott's Oriole**—One was late at P.O. Canyon 9 Nov (CDL).

**rosy-finch**—Small numbers reached Sandia Crest by 21 Nov (JEP); by 26 Nov, a three-species flock of 24 **Brown-capped**s, 5 **Blacks**, and one **Gray-crowned** was there (CJW).

**Cassin's Finch**—Where seldom reported were 4 at Grants, *Cibola* 6 Nov (DJK), one in the Los Pinos Mts., *Socorro* 16 Oct (WHH), and one e. to Bell Ranch, e. *San Miguel* 28 Oct (MDM).

**Red Crossbill**—Eight wandered e. to Bell Ranch, e. *San Miguel* 28 Oct (MDM); up to 11, including juvs., were in the Organ Mts. 27 Aug (DJG).

**Lesser Goldfinch**—Late breeders included ads. feeding fledglings at Madrid 25 Oct (LAS) and a fledgling begging from ads. there 7 Nov (LAS).

**American Goldfinch**—An early one was s. to Radium Springs 23 Aug (MTS, JEZ), and 4 were s. to Tyrone by 5 Sep (ERL).

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