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BILL EVANS LAKE: GRANT
BINGHAM: SOCORRO
BITTER LAKE NWR: CHAVES
BLACK CANON: GRANT
BLACK RANGE: GRANT-SIERRA
BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR: SOCORRO
BRAZOS: RIO ARRIBA
CAPITAN: LINCOLN
CARLSBAD: EDDY
CARRIZOZO: LINCOLN
CEDAR CREST: BERNALILLO
CHACO CANON NATL. MON.: SAN JUAN
CHAMA: RIO ARRIBA
CAIMAYO: SANTA FE
CIMARRON (CANON): COLFAX
CLAYTON: UNION
CLIFF: GRANT
CLINES CORNERS: TORRANCE
CONCHAS LAKE: SAN MIGUEL
CORONA: LINCOLN
COWLES: SAM MIGUEL
DEL MONTE RANCH: TAOS
DEMING: LUNA
EAGLE NEST (LAKE): COLFAX
ENCINO: TORRANCE
ESPANOLA: RIO ARRIBA

FARMINGTON: SAN JUAN
FENTON LAKE: SANDOVAL
FLORA VISTA: SAN JUAN
GAGE: LUNA
GALLUP: MCKINLEY
GASCON: MORA
GERONIMO TRAIL: HIDALGO
GILA RIVER: GRANT-HIDALGO
GUADALUPE CANON: HIDALGO
HORSE SPRINGS: CATRON
ISLETA: BERNALILLO
JACKSON LAKE: SAN JUAN
JEMEZ MTS.: SANDOVAL-LOS ALAMOS-
RIO ARRIBA
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KIRTLAND: SAN JUAN
LA CUEVA (SGR): MORA
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LAMY: SANTA FE
LAS VEGAS: SAN MIGUEL
LOCO MT.: CATRON
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MADRID: SANTA FE
MAGDALENA: SOCORRO
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SAN JON: QUAY
SAN SIMON MARSH: HIDALGO
SANTA CLARA PUEBLO: SANDOVAL

SAN YSIDRO: SANDOVAL
SILVER CITY: GRANT
SNOW LAKE: CATRON
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TAJIQUE: TORRANCE
TORREON: TORRANCE
TRES PIEDRAS: TAOS
TRES RITOS: TAOS
TRUJILLO: SAN MIGUEL
TUCUMCARI: QUAY
TYRONE: GRANT
VADITO: TAOS
VALLE GRANDE: LOS ALAMOS
VAUGHN: GUADALUPE
WHITE OAKS: LINCOLN

NWR: NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE
SGR: STATE GAME REFUGE

ASTERISK (*) BEFORE SPECIES NAME INDICATES DEFINITE BREEDING RECORD.

COMMON LOON

1 AT CONCHAS LAKE ON 6/28, NOT IN BREEDING PLUMAGE (JDL); THIS IS THE SECOND
SUMMER RECORD FOR THE STATE: 2 AT SNOW LAKE ON 11/1 (MW).

HORNED GREBE

1 AT BILL EVANS LAKE NEAR CLIFF 11/22 TO 11/30 (TB, CD, DAZ).

*EARED GREBE

200 NESTS IN RIO ARRIBA CO. (CAH). 12 GREBES PROBABLY OF THIS SPECIES WERE SEEN
AT SNOW LAKE SEVERAL TIMES FROM 10/23 TO 11/2 (MW); 10 TO 12 NEAR CLIFF 11/8 TO
11/22 (TB, CD).

WESTERN GREBE

SEEN AT LA CUEVA ON 6/11 (WH) AND A PAIR WAS REPORTED FROM ROBERTS LAKE, NORTH
OF SILVER CITY, ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS IN THE 3U-SUMMER AND ON 9/14 (TB, CD); THIS
SPECIES HAS ONLY RECENTLY BEGUN TO SUMMER IN THE STATE AND ITS SUMMER RANGE MAY
BE EXPANDING. 8 NEAR FARMINGTON ON 10/23 (APN) AND 2 AT BILL EVANS LAKE ON 11/8,
11/15, AND 11/22 (RAF).

*PIED-BILLED GREBE

4 BROODS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); 1 NEAR CARLSBAD ON 7/1 WHERE NOT FOUND
BREEDING RECENTLY (SW).

*DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR). 1 AT SNOW LAKE ON 11/1 (MS) MAY BE THE FIRST CATRON CO. RECORD.

*GREAT BLUE HERON

NESTS IN MORA (WH), CATRON (RAF), AND GRANT (RAF) COS.; 2 AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 (PWS ET AL.).

*GREEN HERON

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); AN ADULT WAS FOUND AT A NEST IN BITTER LAKE NWR ON 6/15, BUT THIS WAS ABANDONED LATER (G.INMAN, VM). AN IMMATURE AT SAN ILDEFONSO POND ON 9/14 (PRS).

*SNOWY EGRET

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); SEEN NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 6/20 (JND); 4 NEAR TUCUMCARI ON 9/14 (IDA ET AL.) AND 2 AT LAKE ROBERTS 9/1 (RAF).

*BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR).

CANADA GOOSE

SEEN ON THE RIO GRANDE NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 6/20 (JND). 150 RED-BANDED BIRDS WERE RELEASED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR 8/30-9/1 AS POSSIBLE BREEDING STOCK (RWR) AND REPORTS OF ANY SIGHTINGS WOULD BE OF INTEREST.

*MALLARD

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR), IN SAN JUAN CO. (APN), AND AT FENTON LAKE WHERE 6 INCLUDING YOUNG WERE SEEN ON 7/1 (MBS).

*MEXICAN DUCK

2 WILD BRODS WERE SEEN AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); 5 AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 (PWS ET AL.).

*GADWALL

3 BROODS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR).

*BLUE-WINGED TEAL

1 BROOD AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR).

WOOD DUCK

A MALE WAS SEEN EAST OF LAS VEGAS ON 11/2 (WH).

BUFFLEHEAD

200 AT NAVAJO DAM ON 11/9 (APN).

WHITE-WINGED SCOTER

4 WERE SEEN AT BILL EVANS LAKE ON 11/15 (TB, CD); DETAILS INCLUDE GOOSE-LIKE PROFILE AND A WHITE PATCH IN THE WING AND 2 ON THE HEAD, THE LATTER INDICATING IMMATURES OR FEMALES. THIS IS A RARE SPECIES IN THE STATE.

SURF SCOTER

1 WAS SEEN AT BILL EVANS LAKE ON 11/22-23 (TB, CD). THIS IS ONLY THE SECOND RECORD FOR THE STATE. DETAILS ARE SIMILAR TO THE SPECIES ABOVE EXCEPT THE WHITE WING PATCH WAS LACKING, AND AGAIN AN IMMATURE OR FEMALE WAS INVOLVED.

RUDDY DUCK

1000 PLUS AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/24 (PRS).

HOODED MERGANSER

4 MALES WERE SEEN AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/31 (VM).

COMMON MERGANSER

A FEMALE WITH 10 SMALL YOUNG WAS SEEN ON THE GILA RIVER AT THE MOUTH OF MOGOLLON CREEK ON 6/20, AND ANOTHER BROOD WAS SEEN UPSTREAM AT TURKEY CREEK A WEEK LATER (DAZ).

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER

1 WAS SEEN AT BILL EVANS LAKE ON 11/22 (TB, CD).

*TURKEY VULTURE

NESTED IN SANTA FE CO. (TMS); 10 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

MISSISSIPPI KITE

THE ONLY SUMMER RECORD WAS 1 AT ROSWELL ON 6/12 (VM).

SHARP-SHINNED HAWK

A FEMALE, SEEN FOUR TIMES IN LATE JUNE AND ON 7/2, IN THE GILA VALLEY NEAR MOGOLLON CREEK MAY HAVE BEEN BREEDING (DAZ); 1 WAS SEEN AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. ON 7/21 (JDS) AND AN IMMATURE WAS SEEN IN GRASSLAND SOUTH OF SILVER CITY ON 6/5; THESE WERE PRESUMABLY MIGRANTS.

SWAINSON'S HAWK

LATE MIGRANTS WERE 2 AT LAS VEGAS ON 11/1 AND 1 ON 11/2 (WH).

ZONE-TAILED HAWK

1 AT SANTA CLARA PUEBLO ON 9/14 (PRS ET AL.).

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK

EARLY FALL MIGRANTS WERE SEEN AT ISLETA ON 9/14 (JND) AND AT LAS VEGAS ON 9/21 (WH).

HARRIS' HAWK

2 IMMATURES WERE SEEN AT ROSWELL ON 8/7 (VM).

BALD EAGLE

SINGLES WERE SEEN IN CATRON CO. AT LOCO MT. ON 11/13 AND ON THE SAN AUGUSTINE PLAINS ON 11/18 (MW).

MARSH HAWK

A FEMALE WAS SEEN NEAR CARLSBAD ON 6/24 (SW).

OSPREY

1 WAS SEEN 5 MILES EAST OF CAPITAN ON A FENCE POST, 8/24 (L.A.GALLOWAY).

PIGEON HAWK

PRESENT AT ROSWELL ONCE IN THE AUTUMN (VM); 1 AT SAM ACACIA 10/26 (JND).

SPARROW HAWK

2 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

BLUE GROUSE

A PAIR WAS SEEN IN THE JEMEZ MTS. NEAR LOS ALAMOS ON 6/28 (PRS, SW).

BOBWHITE

5 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

HARLEQUIN QUAIL

1 WAS SEEN ON LOCO MT. ON 11/13 (MW).

SANDHILL CRANE

ARRIVED AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/2, WITH A PEAK OF 63,000 ON 10/25 (VM); 3 TO 10 SEEN 4 TIMES IN THE PERIOD 10/11 TO 11/9 NEAR GILA (TB,CD,RAF).

PURPLE GALLINULE

1 WAS CAPTURED NEAR ELIDA, ROOSEVELT CO., ON 6/20, AND WAS PHOTOGRAPHED (A.L.GENNARO); THIS IS THE 5TH RECORD FOR THE STATE, ALL BEING IN THE SPRING OR SUMMER IN THE SOUTHEAST.

*AMERICAN COOT

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN) AND CATRON (RAF) COS.; ALSO A BROOD OF 3 YOUNG WAS SEEN AT FENTON LAKE IN THE JEMEZ MTS. ON 7/11 (MBS) AND 23 BROODS COUNTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); 1 AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 (PWS ET AL.); 1800 AT MORGAN LAKE ON 10/5 (APN).

*SNOWY PLOVER

NESTS IN CHAVES CO. (VM).

*KILLDEER

NESTS IN CHAVES CO. (VM) AND AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); 12 AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 AND 6 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

MOUNTAIN PLOVER

2 PAIR 20 MILES EAST OF LAS VEGAS ON 6/11-12 (WH).

LONG-BILLED CURLEW

4 SEEN 20 MILES EAST OF LAS VEGAS ON 6/11-12 (WH); 25 PLUS NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

UPLAND PLOVER

AN UNUSUALLT HEAVY MIGRATION WAS RECORDD IN THE PECOS VALLEY NEAR ROSWELL, WITH THE FIRST SEEN ON 7/27 AND WITH MAXIMA OF 104 ON 8/7 AND 165 ON 8/12 (VM).

*SPOTTED SANDPIPER

NESTS IN SAN MIGUEL CO. (WH,ES).

SOLITARY SANDPIPER

1 ALONG GERONIMO TRAIL ON 7/15 (PWS ET AL.).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER

REPORTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 9/19 (JND ET AL.).

DUNLIN

2 WERE RECORDED AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 8/26 (VM) AND 4 AT BILL EVANS LAKE ON 11/8 (RAT); THIS IS A RARELY RECORDED BIRD IN THE STATE.

*AMRICAN AVOCET

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); 2 WERE SEEN NEAR TRUJILLO ON 9/13 (IDA ET AL.).

*BLACK-NECKED STILT

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR) AND IN CHAVCS CO. (VM).

RING-BILLED GULL

AT LEAST 12 WERE AT EAGLE NEST LAKE ON 9/13 AND 10/3-5 (IDA ET AL.); 1 PROBABLY OF THIS SPECIES AT SNOW LAKE ON 10/26 (MW).

BONAPARTE'S GULL

1 AT MORGAN LAKE ON 9/11 (APN).

LEAST TERN

8-10 AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 6/15 BUT APPARENTLY DID NOT NEST THERE THIS YEAR (VM).

BLACK TERN

SINGLES NEAR TUCUMCARI ON 9/14 (IDA ET AL.) AND AT LAKE ROBERTS ON 9/1 (RAF).

BAND-TAILED PIGEON

NUMEROUS IN THE SOUTHWEST IN SUMMER WITH 97 IN THE BLACK RANGE ON 6/13-14 (HEK ET AL.) AND FLOCKS OF 30 TO 40 NEAR CLIFF IN JUNE AND JULY (DAZ).

*ROCK DOVE

NESTED IN BERNALILLO CO. (CAH); BREEDING OF FERAL BIRDS IN THE STATE ARE OF INTEREST, ESPECIALLY IN NATURAL SITES AND/OR AWAY FROM HABITATIONS.

WHITE-WINGED DOVE

AT LEAST A DOZEN PAIRS SUMMERED IN THE GILA VALLEY SOUTH OF CLIFF, AND 50 PLUS WERE SEEN IN THE MIMBRES VALLEY, 6/21 (DAZ); 1 IN CARLSBAD ON SEVERAL DATES IN THE PERIOD 6/8 TO 6/26 (SW); 20 PLUS AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 (PWS ET AL.).

*MOURNING DOVE

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN), SANTA FE (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAM), TORRANCE (CAM), SOCORRO (RWR) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.; 50 PLUS NEAR MILNESAND 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

GROUND DOVE

6 AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 (PWS ET AL.) IS A LARGE NUMBER OF THIS RARE BIRD IN NEW MEXICO.

INCA DOVE

SINGLES AT 2 LOCATIONS IN SILVER CITY IN JUNE AND JULY (DAZ) WHERE THE SPECIES IS A VAGRANT.

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO

FIRST IN THE GILA VALLEY IN MID-JUNE, AFTER WHICH RECORDED REGULARLY (DAZ) 1 IN MADRID IN EARLY JUNE (JLD); 1 AT LAS VEGAS ON 7/4 (WH); SUMMERED IN ROSWELL (VM); 2 AT SAN SIMON MARSH 7/16 (PWS ET AL.). LATEST DATE WAS 9/19 AT LA JOYA SGR (JND).

*ROADRUNNER

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (CAH), SOCORRO (RWR), CHAVES (VM), AND EDDY (CAH) COS.; 1 NEAR MILNESAND 7/17 (PWS ET AL.) WHERE STATUS IS POORLY KNOWN.

*BARN OWL

2 NESTS AT ROSWELL WERE APPARENTLY BOTH SUCCESSFUL, WITH ONE PRODUCING 6 FLEDGED YOUNG (VM).

*GREAT HORNED OWL

BRED IN SAN MIGUEL (TMS), TORRANCE (TMS), CHAVES (VM), AND GRANT (RAF, WBL, DAZ) COS.

*BURROWING OWL

64 WERE COUNTED IN BREEDING COLONY AT ROSWELL ON 7/5, MOSTLY YOUNG BIRDS (VM); A PAIR WAS SEEN 9 MILES EAST OF MAGDALENA ON 7/19 (MCK), AND THE SPECIES WAS NOTED NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 6/20 (JND), AND AT CARRIZOZO ON 6/7-8 (PRS).

SPOTTED OWL

1 WAS SEEN AT VALLE GRANDE, JEMEZ MTS., ON 7/13 (PRS).

SHORT-EARED OWL

1 SEEN 10/23 AT ENTRANCE TO WATER CANON, EAST SIDE OF MAGDALENA MTS. (JDL).

*LESSER NIGHTHAWK

NESTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR).

CHIMNEY SWIFT

1--PROBABLY THIS SPECIES--ON 6/12, AND 2 ON 6/18 AT ROSWELL (VM).

*WHITE-THROATED SWIFT

NESTED AT LOS ALAMOS (PRS) AND SUMMERED AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. (JDS)

*BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD

NESTS IN CHAVES (VM) .010 GRANT (DAZ) Cos.

*BROAD-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD

NEST IN BERNALILLO CO. (RJL); OCCASIONAL IN SUMMER AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. (JDS) AND 1 AT CARLSBAD ON 7/17 (SW).

RUFOUS HUMMINGBIRD

EARLY DATES OF RETURNING AUTUMN MIGRANTS WERE: SANDIA MTS. ON 7/9 (MCK, TMS) AND JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 7/10 (MBS). INTERESTING WAS REPORT OF A PRAYING MANTIS EATING ONE OF THESE HUMMINGBIRDS AT A FEEDER ROSWELL ON 9/9 (R.KIRK, VM).

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD

OCCASIONALLY SEEN IN THE LOWLANDS SOUTHWEST OF DEMING AND IN THE ANIMAS VALLEY IN AUGUST AND EARLY SEPTEMBER (DAZ); THIS SPECIES IS RARELY REPORTED AT LOWER ELEVATIONS.

RIVOLI'S HUMMINGBIRD

AN ADULT FEMALE WAS TAKEN AT CEDAR CREST ON 7/31 (JLD,MCK); THIS IS THE FIRST SPECIMEN, AND 4TH RECORD FROM THE NORTHERN PART OF THE STATE (OTHERS FROM CHAMA--PHOTOGRAPHED--, AND MONTEZUMA), AND OBSERVERS SHOULD BE ALERT FOR IT AS A VERY RARE POSSIBLE BREEDING BIRD IN MOUNTAIN CANONS AND FORESTS IN THAT REGION.

KINGFISHER

2-3 AT ESPANOLA ON 6/5 (PRS); SEEN AT A POND NEAR ISLETA 6/20 (JND).

*RED-SHAFTED FLICKER

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN), LOS ALAMOS (PRS), SAM MIGUEL (WM), CATRON (MCK), AND GRANT (RAF) COS.

*GILA WOODPECKER

NEST IN GRANT CO. (DAZ).

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER

1 AT ROSWELL ON 6/27, AND 1 AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/9 (VM).

*ACORN WOODPECKER

NEST IN GRANT CO. (DAZ). 2 SEEN AT QUAKING ASPEN CAMPGROUND, NEAR GALLUP, ON 8/31 TO 9/1 (JND) WERE IN AN AREA WHERE FEW HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

*LEWIS' WOODPECKER

NESTS in SANTA FE (PRS) AND MCKINLEY (A.M.REA) COS.--VERY LOCAL IN THE LATTER AREA; ADULTS WITH A JUVENILE IN LAS VEGAS ON 7/22 (WH). 1 IN LOS ALAMOS ON 8/26 AND 5 TO 6 ON 9/19 (PRS).

*YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER

NEST IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS).

WILLIAMSON'S SAPSUCKER

PAIR AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 7/22 (MBS); IMMATURES IN LOS ALAMOS 7/10 TO 8/19 (PRS).

*HAIRY WOODPECKER

A PAIR NESTED IN THE GILA VALLEY AT MOGOLLON CREEK AND AN ADULT WAS SEEN SOUTH OF CLIFF IN LATE JUNE AND JULY (DAZ); JUVENILES IN LOS ALAMOS 7/9-10 (PRS).

DOWNY WOODPECKER

FEMALE IN LOS ALAMOS 6/14; THE SPECIES SEEN THERE ALSO 6/22 TO 7/1 (PRS).

*LADDER-BACKED WOODPECKER

NESTS IN SANDOVAL (CAH) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.

EASTERN KINGBIRD

4 NEAR ESPANOLA ON 6/5 AND 1 AT SANTA FE ON 8/23 (PRS); 1 AT CONCHAS LAKE ON 9/13-14 (IDA ET AL.).

*WESTERN KINGBIRD

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN), BERNALILLO (MCK), TORRANCE (CAH), SOCORRO (CAH, PRS, RWR), LINCOLN (PRS), CHAVES (CAH,VM), GRANT (DAZ), EDDY (CAH) COS.

*CASSIN'S KINGBIRD

NESTS IN SANTA FE (CAH), TORRANCE (CAH), CATRON (MCK), AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.; ADULT WITH STUB-TAILED YOUNG NEAR DEMING ON 6/1 (DAZ) AND THE SPECIES SEEN AT EAGLE NEST 6/15 AND AT CLINES CORNERS AND LAMY ON 6/7 (PRS).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER

6 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.); SINGLE IMMATURES AT ROSWELL ON 9/18 AND 9/29 (VM).

*WIED'S CRESTED FLYCATCHER

NEST IN GRANT CO. (DAZ); 4 SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16 (PWS ET AL.) IS A NEW LOCALE FOR THIS LOCAL SPECIES.

*ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (RJL) AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS., AND 5 NESTS WERE FOUND 20 MILES WEST OF ROSWELL ON 6/14 (VM); 1 NEAR LOS ALAMOS ON 6/14 (PRS).

BLACK PHOEBE

NESTED IN CATRON (RAF) AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.; 2 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 9/19 (JND ET AL.).

*SAY'S PHOEBE

A TOTAL OF 43 NESTS REPORTED FROM RIO ARRIBA (CAH), TAOS (SW), SANDOVAL (CAH), SANTA FE (CAH), SAN MIGUEL (WH), VALENCIA (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH). GUADALUPE (CAH), CATRON (RAF), SOCORRO (CAH), LINCOLN (CAH,PRS), CHAVES (VM), AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.

TRAILL'S FLYCATCHER

1 NEAR ESPANOLA ON 6/29 (PRS); 1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST ON 7/29 (MCK).

HAMMOND'S FLYCATCHER

2 AT EAGLE NEST ON 6/15 AND 1-2 IN THE JEMEZ MTS. NEAR LOS ALAMOS IN THE PERIOD 6/22 TO 7/1 (PRS); THESE BIRDS WERE IDENTIFIED BY SONG.

DUSKY FLYCATCHER

1 ON DOME LAKE ROAD, JEMEZ MTS., ON 6/22, AND 1 NEAR LOS ALAMOS ON 7/4 (PRS); IDENTIFIED BY SONG.

*WESTERN FLYCATCHER

NESTED IN SANDOVAL CO. (MBS).

COUES' FLYCATCHER

3 WERE SEEN IN BLACK CANON, WESTERN SIDE OF THE BLACK RANGE, ON 6/14 (HEK); THE DISTRIBUTION OF THIS SPECIES IN SUMMER IS IMPERFECTLY KNOWN IN THE STATE, AND MORE SUCH DATA ARE NEEDED.

*WESTERN WOOD PEWEE

NESTS IN TAOS (WH) AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.

*VERMILION FLYCATCHER

NESTS IN GRANT CO. (RAF, WBL, DAZ).

*BEARDLESS FLYCATCHER

1 WAS SEEN AT A NEST IN GUADALUPE CANON ON 6/16 (T.&Z.CHANDIK).

*VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW

NESTS IN TAOS (WH), LOS ALAMOS (PRS), SAN MIGUEL (WH), CATRON (MCK), AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.; 1-4 SEEN IN SUMMER SOUTH OF CLIFF IN THE GILA VALLEY MAY HAVE BEEN BREEDING (DAZ).

BANK SWALLOW

NESTS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); 1 AT SAN YSIDRO ON 7/13 (PRS).

*ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW

NESTS IN GRANT CO. (DAZ); SEEN AT SAN ILDEFONSO POND ON 6/5 (PRS).

*BARN SWALLOW

A TOTAL OF 89 NESTS REPORTED: SAN JUAN (APN), SANDOVAL (CAH), SANTA FE (CAH,PRS), HARDING (CAH), SAN MIGUEL (CAH,WH), VALENCIA (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH,RJL), TORRANCE (CAH), GUADALUPE (CAH), SOCORRO (CAH,RWR,PRS), LINCOLN (CAH), CHAVES (VM), GRANT (DAZ) COS. 3 AT FARMINGTON ON 10/23 (APN).

*CLIFF SWALLOW

22 NESTING COLONIES IN SAN JUAN (APN), RIO ARRIBA (APN), SANDOVAL (PRS), SANTA FE (CAH), SAN MIGUEL (WH), GUADALUPE (CAH), AND EDDY (CAH) COS.; ALSO SUMMERED AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. (JDS).

*PURPLE MARTIN

5 PAIRS WERE NESTING IN A PINE IN THE PINOS ALTOS MTS. ON 6/26 (DAZ) AND A NEST WAS FOUND IN BLACK CANON ON 6/13 (HEK ET AL.); 2 OR MORE NESTING COLONIES IN S.U.CANON FROM JUNE THROUGH AUGUST (MCK).

STELLER'S JAY

1 IN FARMINGTON ON 10/21 AND 2 ON 11/29 (J.NORDSTRUM).

*SCRUB JAY

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (CAH,JDL,RJL) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.; PAIR AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. ON 6/12 AND 6/22 (JDS); 1 AT FARMINGTON ON 10/7 (APN).

MEXICAN JAY

NEST WITH YOUNG IN THE GILA VALLEY AT MOGOLLON CREEK ON 6/10 (DAZ); THIS IS THE FIRST BREEDING RECORD FROM THE VALLEY.

*BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN), TAOS (WH) AND SAN MIGUEL (WH) COS.; DID NOT NEST AT LAST YEARS ESPANOLA SITE ALTHOUGH SEEN IN THE AREA IN JUNE (PRS).

*COMMON RAVEN

NESTS IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS), CATRON (RAF), AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.

*WHITE-NECKED RAVEN

NESTS IN GRANT AND LUNA (DAZ) COS.; SINGLES WERE SEEN AT CARRIZOZO AND NEAR BINGHAM ON 6/8 (PRS); 10-15 NEAR ENCINO ON 10/12 AND 2-3 NEAR VAUGHN ON 10/12 AND 10/25 (PRS); 40 WERE REPORTED 5 MILES EAST OF MAGDALENA ON 9/20 (JND ET AL.), WHICH IS AN AREA WHERE THE STATUS OF THIS SPECIES IS IN DOUBT. OBSERVERS ARE ASKED TO SUPPLY SUBSTANTIATING DETAILS WHEN IDENTIFYING THIS SPECIES IN THE AREA WEST OF THE PLAINS AND NORTH OF THE NORTHERN GRANT-SIERRA-LINCOLN COUNTY LINES.

*COMMON CROW

NESTED IN BERNALILLO CO. (CAH) AND JUVENILES WERE SEEN AT LAS VEGAS ON 6/27 (WH); 1 OR MORE SUMMERED IN THE GILA VALLEY BETWEEN REDROCK AND CLIFF (DAZ). 50 PLUS WITH SEVERAL HUNDRED MAGPIES WERE ROOSTING NEAR CIMARRON ON 10/3-5 (IDA ET AL.).

PINON JAY

NOTED AT WHITE OAKS ON 6/8 (PRS); NUMEROUS IN THE NORTH DURING AUTUMN.

CLARK'S NUTCRACKER

SUMMERED AT JEMEZ SPRINGS (MBS) AND 1 WAS SEEN AT REED'S PEAK IN THE BLACK RANGE ON 6/12 (HEK ET AL.). 1 AT QUAKING ASPEN CAMPGROUND NEAR GALLUP ON 8/31 TO 9/1 (JND); NUMEROUS IN THE NORTH DURING THE AUTUMN (VARIOUS OBSERVERS).

*MOUNTAIN CHICKADEE

NESTED IN CATRON CO. (MCK).

*PLAIN TITMOUSE

NESTS IN SAN MIGUEL (WM) AND BERNALILLO (MCK) COS.

*BRIDLED TITMOUSE

PAIR FEEDING YOUNG IN THE NEST AT S.U.CANON ON 6/1 (MCK).

*WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH

NESTS IN SAN MIGUEL (WH) AND BERNALILLO (MCK) COS.

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH

NOTABLE AUTUMN MIGRATION IN THE PERIOD 9/1 TO 11/22, WITH REPORTS OF SMALL TO MODERATE NUMBERS FROM LOS ALAMOS (WBL), SANGRE DE CRISTO MTS. (WH, IDA ET AL.), TRUJILLO (IDA ET AL.), ALBUQUERQUE (JND), CEDAR CREST (MCK), TAJIQUE-TORREON AREA (JND ET AL.) AND S.U.CANON (MCK).

*PYGMY NUTHATCH

NESTS IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS) AND CATRON (MCK) COS.

BROWN CREEPER

1 AT FLORA VISTA ON 11/9 (APN).

DIPPER

3, INCLUDING 2 YOUNG, WERE SEEN ON A CREEK NEAR JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 6/25, AND THE SPECIES WAS ALSO SEEN THERE ON 9/29 (MBS); SEEN AT TROUT SPRINGS NEAR MONTEZUMA ON 7/25 (JND), 1 ON THE SAN JUAN RIVER 6 MILES BELOW NAVAJO DAM, ON 11/22 (APN); 1 AT SANTA CLARA DAM, NEAR CHIMAYO, ON 11/30 (PRS).

*HOUSE WREN

NESTS IN SAN MIGUEL (WH) AND GRANT (RAF, DAZ) COS.; ALSO BRED AT JEMEZ SPRINGS (MBS).

WINTER WREN

THE FIRST STATE SPECIMEN WAS TAKEN AT CEDAR CREST ON 11/30 (JDL, MCK); ALTHOUGH RECORDED FROM 12 COUNTIES SINCE THE TURN OF THE CENTURY, THIS IS THE FIRST DEFINITE PROOF OF THIS SPECIES' OCCURRENCE IN NEW MEXICO.

*BEWICK'S WREN

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (RJL) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS. 3 AT JACKSON LAKE IN SAN JUAN CO. ON 11/1 (APN).

CAROLINA WREN

1 WAS REPORTED AT CLAYTON ON 11/26 (A.J.KREHBIEL); THIS IS A VERY RARE BIRD IN NEW MEXICO AND ALTHOUGH PHOTOGRAPHED ONCE PREVIOUSLY, SPECIMEN VERIFICATION HAS NOT YET BEEN OBTAINED.

*CACTUS WREN

SINGLE NESTS IN GRANT (DAZ) AND EDDY (CAH) COS. AND 4 APPROXIMATELY 14 MILES WEST OF ROSWELL ON 6/14 (VM).

*CANON WREN

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (CAH) AND CATRON (MCK) COS.

*ROCK WREN

NESTS IN RIO ARRIBA (CAH), CHAVES (VM), AND OTERO (D.DELOLLIS) COS. 2 AT BOTTOMLESS LAKES STATE PARK, CHAVES CO., ON 10/24 (PRS).

*MOCKINGBIRD

NESTS IN SANTA FE (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH,RJL), SOCORRO (CAH), CHAVES (VM), HIDALGO (RAF) AND EDDY (CAH) COS.

*CATBIRD

A NEST WITH 3 YOUNG WAS FOUND NEAR ESPANOLA ON 6/29 (PRS,SW); AN ADULT CARRYING FOOD WAS SEEN AT TROUT SPRINGS NEAR MONTEZUMA ON 7/25 (JND). 1 IN CIMARRON CANON ON 9/13 (IDA ET AL.) AND AT ESPANOLA ON 9/14 (PRS).

BROWN THRASHER

1 AT ROSWELL ON 10/11 (VM).

BENDIRE'S THRASHER

SEEN AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. IB 7/13 (JDS) AND NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 6/20 (JND); 3 PAIRS SUMMERED NEAR CLIFF WHERE A FLEDGLING WAS FOUND DEAD ON 6/18 (DAZ).

*CURVE-BILLED THRASHER

NESTS IN GRANT (DAZ) AND EDDY (CAH) COS. 6 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.) WERE IN AN AREA WHERE THE SPECIES' STATUS IS NOT WELL KNOWN. REPORTED EAST OF LAS VEGAS ON 11/2 (WM) AND 1 APPEARED IN JUAN TABO CANON EAST OF ALBUQUERQUE ON 8/22 AND WAS STILL PRESENT THROUGH 11/30 (TMS); RECORDS FROM BOTH THESE AREAS ARE UNUSUAL.

*CRISSAL THRASHER

NEST IN EDDY Co. (CAH).

SAGE THRASHER

SEEN BETWEEN THE RIO GRANDE AND TRES PIEDRAS ON 6/22 (WH); THERE ARE FEW PUBLISHED SUMMER RECORDS FOR THIS SPECIES IN NEW MEXICO.

*ROBIN

NESTS IN RIO ARRIBA (CAH), TAOS (WH), SANDOVAL (MBS), BERNALILLO (JLD, CAH) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS., AND ALSO BRED AT ROSWELL (VM); SUMMERED IN CARLSBAD BUT NO NESTS FOUND (SW).

*WESTERN BLUEBIRD

NESTS IN TAOS (WH), LOS ALAMOS (PRS), SAM MIGUEL (WH), BERNALILLO (RJL) COS., AND BRED IN S.U.CANON (MCK). AN ALBINO BLUEBIRD WAS SEEN WITH ADULTS AND YOUNG OF THIS SPECIES AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 8/26 (MBS).

*MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD

NESTS IN SANDOVAL (CAH, MBS), LOS ALAMOS (WBL), SANTA FE (CAH), AND BERNALILLO (RJL) COS.; AMONG SUMMER REPORTS WERE EAGLE NEST (PRS), GASCON (WH), CLINES CORNERS (PRS), CORONA (PRS), WHITE OAKS (PRS), AND A PAIR WITH DEPENDENT JUVENILE AT QUARAI STATE MON. IN TORRANCE CO. ON 6/15 (R.NICKLAS).

TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE

A JUVENILE WAS SEEN IN LOS ALAMOS ON 7/11 (PRS).

*BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER

NEST IN CATRON CO. (MCK); SEEN AT PUEBLO ON 6/15 AND 6/29 (WH).

GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET

SUMMER RECORDS WERE 11 ON 6/12 AND 2 ON 6/13 IN THE BLACK RANGE (HEK) AND SEVERAL IN THE JEMEZ MTS., CAMP MAY TRAIL, IN THE PERIOD 6/22 TO 7/1 (PRS). AUTUMN REPORTS IN THE PERIOD 10/25 TO 11/30, WERE FROM LOS ALAMOS (PRS), DEL MONTE RANCH (WH), AND LAS VEGAS AREA (WH).

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET

SUMMER REPORTS WERE FROM THE JEMEZ MTS., CAMP MAY TRAIL, ON 7/1 (PRS), EAGLE NEST ON 6/15 (PRS), AND 24 ON 6/12 AND 2 ON 6/13 IN THE BLACK RANGE (HEK ET AL.).

CEDAR WAXWING

SMALL NUMBERS IN ROSWELL BEGINNING ON 9/26 (VM).

NORTHERN SHRIKE

1 WAS REPORTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR IN LATE OCTOBER (BRO.E.MATTINGLY, D.J.MARTIN); 1 ADULT WAS COLLECTED 12 MILES WEST OF MAGDALENA 11/20 (JDL).

*LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE

NESTS IN SANTA FE (CAH) AND TORRANCE (CAH) COS.

STARLING

SUMMER RECORDS INCLUDE TAOS (PRS), PENASCO-VADITO (PRS), CLINES CORNERS (PRS), CARRIZOZO (PRS), ROSWELL (VM), THE GILA VALLEY (DAZ), AND A ROOST of 75 PLUS WITH BROWN-HEADED COWBIRDS AT SILVER CITY (DAZ). 1000 PLUS AT CHIMAYO ON 11/30 (PRS).

HILL MYNA (OR "MYNA BIRD")

1 WAS SEEN IN ALBUQUERQUE ON 10/9-10 (JND); OBVIOUSLY AN ESCAPE FROM CAPTIVITY BUT WORTH NOTING FOR THE RECORD.

*HUTTON'S VIREO

A NEST WITH EGGS WAS FOUND IN THE PINOS ALTOS MTS. ON 6/26 (DAZ); THIS APPEARS TO SE ONLY THE SECOND NEST RECORDED OF THIS SPECIES IN THE STATE.

BELL'S VIREO

SEVERAL PAIRS SUMMERED IN THE GILA VALLEY SOUTH OF CLIFF (DAZ); 1 AT SAN SIMON MARSH ON 7/16, AND 14 IN GUADALUPE CANON (BOTH SIDES) ON 7/15 (PWS).

*SOLITARY VIREO

NEST IN BERNALILLO CO. (JLD); 1 SUMMERED IN THE GILA VALLEY NORTH OF CLIFF WERE RARE AT THAT SEASON (DAZ). A CASSINII TYPE WAS SEEN AT LOS ALAMOS ON 9/5 (PRS), AND 3 BIRDS OF THIS TYPE WERE BANDED AT CEDAR CREST ON 9/4 AND 9/7 (MCK).

WARBLING VIREO

1 AT ROSWELL ON 6/23 (VM) IS UNUSUAL AND PROBABLY A LATE MIGRANT.

NASHVILLE WARBLER

3 AT LOS ALAMOS ON 9/13 AND 2 ON 9/9 (PRS); SEEN IN CIMARRON CANON AND IN THE SANGRE DE CRISTO MTS. 9/13 (IDA ET AL.).

VIRGINIA'S WARBLER

SUMMERED AT LOS ALAMOS, WITH A FAMILY SEEN ON 7/10-11 (PRS); ALSO AT CEDAR CREST WHERE YOUNG WERE BANDED BETWEEN 8/4-14 (MCK).

*LUCY'S WARBLER

NESTS IN CATRON (MCK) AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.

*AUDUBON'S WARBLER

NEST IN RIO ARRIBA CO. (RJL), AND SEEN IN THE BLACK RANGE 6/12-13 (HEK).

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER

A NOTABLE AUTUMN MIGRATION OCCURRED AT LOS ALAMOS WERE UP TO 6 PER DAY WERE SEEN INTERMITTENTLY FROM 9/4 TO 10/7 (M.COMER,PRS), AND IN THE AREA FROM LAS VEGAS TO BRAZOS ON 9/5 (IDA ET AL.); ALSO SEEN AT JOHNSON MESA, SAN MIGUEL CO., ON 9/1 (WH) AND AT COWLES ON 9/13 (IDA ET AL.).

BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER

A MALE WAS SEEN AT LOS ALAMOS ON 10/25 (PRS). THIS SPECIES IS RARE IN NEW MEXICO.

GRACE'S WARBLER

SUMMER RECORDS INCLUDE LOS ALAMOS (PRS), DEL MONTE RANCH (WH), THE BLACK RANGE (HEK ET AL.), AND THE SAN FRANCISCO MTS. (MCK).

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH

2 AT SANTA FE ON 8/23 (PRS), NOTED IN CIMARRON CANON ON 9/13 (IDA ET AL.), AND 1 AT ROSWELL ON 8/15 (VM).

YELLOWTHROAT

1 AT ESPANOLA ON 6/29 (PRS); THIS IS A LOCAL BIRD IN NEW MEXICO BY VIRTUE OF HABITAT RESTRICTIONS, AND SUMMER RECORDS ARE IMPORTANT, PARTICULARLY AS MARSHES DISAPPEAR.

*YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT

NEST IN EDDY CO. (CAH).

*RED-FACED WARBLER

A NEST WITH 1 EGG AND 3 YOUNG WAS FOUND IN S.U. CANON ON 6/1 (MCK); THE SPECIES WAS ABUNDANT IN THE BLACK RANGE IN REED'S PEAK VICINITY ON 6/12-13 (HEK ET AL.).

AMERICAN REDSTART

AN IMMATURE IN CIMARRON CANON ON 10/3-5 (IDA ET AL.).

PAINTED REDSTART

1 SEEN IN THE BLACK RANGE, VICINITY OF REED'S PEAK, ON 6/12-13 (HEK ET AL.); THIS IS THE FIRST EXPRESS SUMMER RECORD FOR THE BLACK RANGE.

*HOUSE SPARROW

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN), BERNALILLO (CAH), GUADALUPE (CAH), AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.

*EASTERN MEADOWLARK

A PAIR WAS FOUND FEEDING YOUNG IN A NEST 10 A RIPARIAN, CULTIVATED FIELD NEAR CLIFF IN JUNE (DAZ); GENERALLY THIS SPECIES OCCUPIES DRYER SITES AND THE WESTERN SPECIES WETTER SITES IN THE SOUTHWESTERN PART OF THE STATE, BUT EXCEPTIONS SUCH AS THIS ALSO EXIST AT GRAY'S RANCH AND SAN SIMON MARSH, BOTH IN HIDALGO CO., WHERE THIS PRESENT SPECIES OCCUPIES BOTH HABITAT TYPES. 2-3 AT WHITE OAKS ON 6/8, AND HEARD AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/24 (PRS); 20 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.) ARE IN AN AREA WHERE MEADOWLARK STATUS IS POORLY KNOWN.

WESTERN MEADOWLARK

SUMMER RECORDS INCLUDE CHACO CANON NATL. MON. (JDS), CORONA (PRS), NEAR BINGHAM (PRS), AND WHITE OAKS (PRS).

*YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD

NESTS IN RIO ARRIBA CO. (CAH); ALSO REPORTED AT LA CUEVA ON 6/1 (WH). A FEMALE AT FARMINGTON ON 11/29-30 (J.NORDSTRUM). AND A LARGE FLOCK BETWEEN SAN JON AND TUCUMCARI ON 9/14 (IDA ET AL.).

*RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD

NESTS IN SAN JUAN (APN), RIO ARRIBA (CAH), SANTA FE (PRS), SOCORRO (RWR), AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.

*HOODED ORIOLE

NESTED AT SILVER CITY IN JUNE (DAZ) WHERE UNCOMMON AND LOCAL.

SCOTT'S ORIOLE

SINGLES NEAR MADRID IN EARLY JUNE (JLD) AND NEAR BINGHAM ON 6/8 (PRS).

*BULLOCK'S ORIOLE

NESTS IN SOCORRO (CAH) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.

*BREWER'S BLACKBIRD

NESTS IN TAOS (WH) AND LOS ALAMOS (WBL) COS.

*BOAT-TAILED GRACKLE

12 PLUS NESTS AT ROSWELL ON 6/27 (VM); BRED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR); LESS NUMEROUS AT ESPANOLA AND DID NOT BREED AT USUAL SITE (PRS); 1 NEAR CARLSBAD ON 6/30 BUT RECENT NESTING HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED IN THE GENERAL AREA (SW). UP TO 30 WERE SEEN AT KIRTLAND IN LATE NOVEMBER (APN) WHERE THE SPECIES WAS FIRST REPORTED LAST NOVEMBER.

*COMMON GRACKLE

DEPENDENT YOUNG WITH ADULT AT LAS VEGAS ON 6/25 WHERE THE SPECIES WAS ALSO SEEN IN THE SPRING AND ON 9/2 AND 10/14 (WM); 1 AT CORRALES ON 6/28 (J.FINDLEY); UP TO 30 AT ROSWELL IN FLOCKS DURING THE SUMMER, WHERE 25 BRED IN MAY AND JUNE (VM). THESE 3 BREEDING LOCALITIES BRING THE TOTAL TO 5 IN NEW MEXICO (2 OTHERS IN UNION CO.) AS THIS SPECIES CONTINUES TO EXPAND AS A BREEDING BIRD IN THE STATE.

BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD

NOTED AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. ON 6/21 (JDS); 8 NEAR MILINESANO ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.). STATUS OF THIS SPECIES IN THE NORTHWEST AND EASTERN PLAINS IS NOT SATISFACTORILY KNOWN.

BRONZED COWBIRD

REPORTED BREEDING IN THE GILA VALLEY AT MOGOLLON CREEK WHERE PHOTOGRAPHED IN JUNE AND JULY (DAZ). THIS SPECIES IS STILL SPREADING IN THE GILA VALLEY, WHERE FIRST RECORDED AT REDROCK IN JUNE 1962; WHILE LOCAL AND RARE OR UNCOMMON, IT MAY BE OVERLOOKED DUE TO CONFUSION WITH BROWN-HEADED COWBIRDS. (NOTE: BRONZED COWBIRD EGGS ARE WHITE, NOT SPECKLED AS ARE THOSE OF THE BROWN-HEADED.)

WESTERN Tanager

PRESUMED MIGRANTS WERE SEEN AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. on 6/13 (JDS) AND ROSWELL on 7/28 (VM); LATE WAS A FEMALE AT ALBUQUERQUE 11/1-2 (JND).

SCARLET Tanager

AN IMMATURE TAKEN AT CEDAR CREST ON 10/10 IS THE SECOND SPECIMEN FROM THE STATE (JDL,MCK), THE FIRST BEING A PREVIOUSLY MISIDENTIFIED FEMALE TAKEN IN SOCORRO CO. MAY, 1964.

HEPATIC Tanager

SEEMINGLY PARIED BIRDS IN S.U. CANON IN JUNE-AUGUST (MCK), AND NEAR LOS ALAMOS ON 6/5 (PRS).

*BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK

NEST IN SAN MIGUEL CO. (WH); 64 WERE BANDED DURING SUMMER AT LOS ALAMOS WHERE MANY YOUNG WERE PRODUCED (PRS); 55 WERE BANDED AT CEDAR CREST (MCK).

*BLUE GROSBEAK

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (MCK) AND GRANT (DAZ) COS.; SEEN AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. 6/19 (JDS); 2 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

*INDIGO BUNTING

A NEST WITH EGGS WAS FOUND NEAR CLIFF ON 6/12 (DAZ); THIS IS THE FIRST BREEDING RECORD IN THE GILA VALLEY, ALTHOUGH THE SPECIES HAS BEEN A REGULAR SUMMER RESIDENT THERE SINCE 1962 OR 1963.

LAZULI BUNTING

1 AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 7/13 (PRS); 2 SINGING MALES WERE AT CEDAR CREST IN JUNE-AUGUST, AND 2 FEMALES WITH BROOD PATCH WERE BANDED ' /6 AND 8/12 (MCK).

DICKCISSEL

1 WITH A FLOCK OF SPARROWS AT MAGDALENA ON 9/20 (JND, JDL ET AL.) THIS SPECIES IS A RARE BUT REGULAR AUTUMN MIGRANT IN THE STATE AND MAY BE EXPECTED TO CONSORT WITH HOUSE SPARROWS IN TOWNS.

EVENING GROSBEAK

SUMMER RECORDS ARE FROM LOS ALAMOS (PRS), DEL MONTE RANCH (WH), AND CEDAR CREST (MCK), THE EARLIEST BEING LATE JUNE.

CASSIN'S FINCH

THIS SPECIES SUMMERED IN THE JEMEZ MTS. WHERE IT WAS RECORDED IN SMALL NUMBERS AT LOS ALAMOS ON 6/4, 6/10 TO 7/14, 7/16 AND 8/1, INCLUDING A MALE BANDED THERE an 4/13 RETRAPPED ON 8/8 (WBL,PRS); ALSO AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 7/4 (MBS).

*HOUSE FINCH

A TOTAL OF 57 NESTS RECORDED IN SAN JUAN (APN), SANDOVAL (CAH), SANTA FE (CAH), SAN MIGUEL (WH), BERNALILLO (CAH,RJL), TORRANCE (CAH), LINCOLN (PRS), CHAVES (VM), AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.

PINE SISKIN

2 YOUNG WERE SEEN AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 7/19 (MBS); THE SPECIES WAS RECORDED AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. ON 7/25 (JDS).

*LESSER GOLDFINCH

2 NESTS AT LOS ALAMOS (WBL).

RED CROSSBILL

PAIRS IN LOS ALAMOS WITH LARGE YOUNG BEGINNING ON 6/4 (PRS), 6 BIRDS IN THE BLACK RANGE ON 6/12 (HEK ET AL.), AND A FLOCK IN S.U. CANON ON 7/20-21 (MCK). AUTUMN RECORDS WERE FROM 9/13 THROUGH 11/27 AND INCLUDING TRES RITOS (IDA ET AL.), DEL MONTE RANCH AND GASCON (WM), COWLES (IDA ET AL.), LOS ALAMOS (PRS), JEMEZ MTS. AND JEMEZ SPRINGS (MBS), AND TAJIQUE-TORREON (JND ET AL.).

*GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE

NESTS IN RIO ARRIBA (CAH) AND LOS ALAMOS (PRS) COS.

*BROWN TOWHEE

NESTS IN SANTA FE (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH,MCK), AND GRANT (RAF,DAZ) COS.; COMMON IN SUMMER AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. (JDS). SEEN AT TUCUMCARI ON 9/14 (IDA ET AL.); STATUS OF THE SPECIES ON THE EAST SIDE IS POORLY KNOWN.

LARK BUNTING

A FEW 20 MILES EAST OF LAS VEGAS ON 6/11-12 (WM); SINGLES AT TRAS PIEDRAS ON 7/13 (WH), AND EAST OF ALBUQUERQUE ON 6/10 (MCK) WERE PRESUMABLY MIGRANTS. A MALE AT HORSE SPRINGS ON 8/15 WAS IN BREEDING PLUMAGE (MCK); LARGE FLOCKS EAST OF TUCUMCARI ON 9/14 (IDA ET AL.).

LECONTE'S SPARROW

1 AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 11/24 WAS THE FIRST SEEN THERE IN SEVERAL YEARS (J.H.SIKES,VM).

VESPER SPARROW

SEEN BETWEEN THE RIO GRANDE AND TRES PIEDRAS ON 6/22 (WH).

*LARK SPARROW

NESTS IN SAN MIGUEL (WH) AND EDDY (CAH) COS.

CASSIN'S SPARROW

COMMON NEAR GAGE UNTIL AT LEAST MID-JUNE (DAZ); 6 NEAR MILNESAND ON 7/17 (PWS ET AL.).

BLACK-THROATED SPARROW

NESTS IN BERNALILLO (CAH), SOCORRO (CAH), AND EDDY (CAH) COS.; VERY COMMON IN SUMMER AT CHACO CANON NATL. MON. (JDS).

SLATE-COLORED JUNCO

1 AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 10/25 (MBS).

OREGON JUNCO

EARLY AUTUMN RECORDS WERE 10/12 AT LOS ALAMOS (PRS), 10/18 AT LAS VEGAS (WH), AND 10/25 AT BAYARD (RAF); THE EARLIEST MEARNSI TYPE WAS 9/16 AT LOS ALAMOS (PRS).

*GRAY-HEADED JUNCO

NESTS IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS) AND SAN MIGUEL (WH) COS.; FIRST JUVENILES AT JEMEZ SPRINGS ON 7/7 (MBS).

*CHIPPING SPARROW

NESTS IN LOS ALAMOS (WBL) AND BERNALILLO (DLD) COS.

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW

1 AT SANTA FE ON 9/10 (PRS), SEEN NEAR LAS VEGAS ON 9/21 AND 10/19 (WH), AND 6 NEAR ROSWELL ON 10/2 (VM).

BREWER'S SPARROW

SINGLES IN LOS ALAMOS ON 8/21 AND 9/12 (PRS).

BLACK-CHINNED SPARROW

RECORDED IN THE BURRO MTS. NEAR TYRONE IN JUNE (DAZ).

SONG SPARROW

2 AT FENTON LAKE IN THE JEMEZ MTS. ON 7/11 (MBS); 3 AT SAN SIMON MARSH 7/16 (PWS ET AL.).

SUMMARY OF THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM IN NEW MEXICO
FOR 1969, AND A FIVE-YEAR ANALYSIS

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NINETEEN-SIXTY-NINE WAS A GOOD YEAR FOR THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM IN NEW MEXICO FOR BOTH THE TOTAL NUMBER OF RECORDS SUBMITTED AND THE TOTAL NUMBER OF SPECIES RECORDED. THE NUMBER OF RECORDS SUBMITTED DROPPED SLIGHTLY FROM THE 624 SUBMITTED IN 1968 TO A TOTAL OF 578 THIS YEAR. THIS, HOWEVER, IS A NEGLIGIBLE DROP SINCE AT LEAST THREE OF THE MAJOR CONTRIBUTORS IN 1968 WERE UNABLE TO SUBMIT RECORDS FOR THE 1969 SEASON. MOREOVER, ONE RECORDER INADVERTENTLY SENT HIS RECORDS DIRECTLY TO CORNELL, RATHER THAN SUBMITTING THEM THROUGH N.M.O.S., SO THAT HIS RECORDS ARE NOT INCLUDED IN OUR TOTALS. THE RECORDS OF ANOTHER RECORDER WERE APPARENTLY LOST IN THE MAIL, BUT WILL BE RE-SUBMITTED, IN ADDITION TO RECORDS FOR 1969, RECORDS FOR PREVIOUS YEARS HAVE CONTINUED TO FLOW IN, ADDING SIGNIFICANTLY TO OUR KNOWLEDGE OF BREEDING BIRDS IN THE STATE. ALTHOUGH ONLY THREE NEW SPECIES WERE ADDED TO OUR LIST FOR THE 1969 SEASON, BACK RECORDS ADDED ANOTHER 11 NEW SPECIES. WE NOW HAVE RECENT RECORDS FOR 177 SPECIES OF NESTING BIRDS FOR NEW MEXICO. SINCE N.M.O.S. BEGAN PARTICIPATING IN THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM IN 1965, A TOTAL OF APPROXIMATELY 2310 RECORDS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED.

IN THE SUMMARY OF THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM FOR 1968, I INCLUDED LIST OF 79 SPECIES FROM J. STOKLEY LIGON'S NEW MEXICO BIRDS WHICH MAY BREED IN THE STATE, BUT FOR WHICH WE HAVE NO RECORDS IN THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM. SINCE THAT TIME WE HAVE RECEIVED RECORDS FOR EIGHT OF THESE SPECIES: EARED GREBE, DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT, GREEN HERON, BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON, BARN OWL, BROWN CREEPER, LAZULI BUNTING, AND BREWER'S SPARROW. WHILE OUR PICTURE OF NESTING ACTIVITY IN THE STATE CONTINUES TO GROW, THERE REMAINS AMPLE ROOM FOR MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS. ACCURATE RECORDS ARE STILL NEEDED FOR A LARGE NUMBER OF SPECIES WHICH CERTAINLY BREED IN THE STATE, BUT FOR WHICH WE HAVE NO RECORDS IN THE PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, THERE ARE MANY SPECIES (51) FOR WHICH WE HAVE ONLY ONE OR TWO RECORDS. FOR THESE SPECIES WE NEED ADDITIONAL RECORDS TO GIVE A MORE ACCURATE REPRESENTATION OF THEIR BREEDING SEASONS. THE SPECIES MISSING FROM OUR RECORDS, AND THOSE SPECIES REPRESENTED BY FEW RECORDS, CONTINUE TO REFLECT ANOTHER GAP IN OUR KNOWLEDGE OF THE STATE, THAT IS, THE SPOTTY RECORD FROM CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC AREAS. RECORDS FROM WATERFOWL AND MARSH BIRD NESTING AREAS, HIGH MOUNTAINS AND THE EASTERN PLAINS REMAIN SCARCE. THE PAUCITY OF RECORDS FROM THE PLAINS AREAS IS REFLECTED ALSO IN THE BREAKDOWN OF NEST RECORDS BY COUNTIES.

CHART 1 INDICATES THE NUMBER OF NEST RECORDS SUBMITTED FOR EACH COUNTY IN THE STATE DURING EACH YEAR OF PARTICIPATION BY N.M.O.S. IN THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM. THE FINAL COLUMN INDICATES THE TOTAL NUMBERS OF RECORDS SUBMITTED FOR EACH COUNTY DURING THE FIVE YEARS THE PROGRAM HAS BEEN IN OPERATION. CURRY COUNTY IS THE ONLY ONE OF THE STATE'S 32 COUNTIES FOR WHICH NO RECORDS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED. OF THE APPROXIMATELY 2235 RECORDS SUBMITTED ON WHICH THE CHART IS BASED, NEARLY ONE-THIRD (651 RECORDS) ARE FOR GRANT COUNTY. IF COVERAGE OF THAT COUNTY CONTINUES AT THE SAME LEVEL, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO PREPARE A RELATIVELY

ACCURATE LIST OF NESTING SPECIES FOR THAT COUNTY WITHIN FIVE OR TEN YEARS. THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF RECORDS SUBMITTED PER COUNTY OVER THE FIVE-YEAR PERIOD IS 69. BASED ON THIS FIGURE, 12 COUNTIES HAVE RECEIVED AVERAGE OR MORE THAN AVERAGE ATTENTION, WHILE THE REMAINING 20 COUNTIES HAVE BEEN LESS EXTENSIVELY COVERED. IN GENERAL, COUNTIES MOST DISTANT FROM THE POPULATION CENTERS OF ALBUQUERQUE, SANTA FE, LOS ALAMOS, SILVER CITY, ROSWELL, AND CARLSBAD TEND TO RECEIVE THE LEAST COVERAGE.

CHART 2 IS BASED ON ALL OF THE RECORDS SUBMITTED SINCE THE INCEPTION OF THE WEST RECORD PROGRAM. IT INDICATES THE NUMBER OF SPECIES, OF THE 177 SPECIES REPORTED FOR NEW MEXICO, WHICH NEST DURING EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR.

CHART 1: NUMBER OF RECORDS SUBMITTED BY COUNTIES

	PRE-65	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	TOTAL
CATRON	17	5	12	31	41	22	128
GRANT	48	55	67	193	168	120	651
HIDALGO	29	9	0	5	29	2	74
TORRANCE	13	11	12	1	16	11	64
VALENCIA	1	1	1	1	14	4	22
EDDY	0	2	43	2	11	13	71
MORA	2	0	1	4	9	3	19
LUNA	0	0	4	11	9	4	28
TAOS	4	5	28	47	10	11	105
UNION	5	22	4	1	9	0	41
SANTA FE	0	3	5	6	39	87	140
SAN MIGUEL	0	0	12	9	26	22	69
COLFAX	0	0	1	12	0	0	13
SANDOVAL	3	10	2	1	78	25	123
BERNALILLO	12	68	27	17	50	105	275
RIO ARRIBA	10	11	21	5	19	10	76
SOCORRO	15	11	8	2	41	47	124
LOS ALAMOS	3	1	2	2	5	19	32
SAN JUAN	12	0	0	1	0	17	30
LINCOLN	0	0	3	0	3	8	14
CHAVES	0	17	28	0	7	27	79
ROOSEVELT	0	0	1	0	8	0	9
DE BACA	0	2	3	0	2	0	7
OTERO	1	0	4	0	0	1	6
GUADALUPE	0	0	1	0	0	13	14
DONA ANA	1	0	1	0	6	0	8
MCKINLEY	9	0	0	0	0	0	9
SIERRA	0	0	0	0	12	1	13
QUAY	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
LEA	0	0	0	0	8	0	8
HARDING	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
CURRY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

CHART 2: NUMBER OF SPECIES RECORDED BREEDING DURING EACH MONTH

MONTH	NO.OF SPECIES	MONTH	NO.OF SPECIES
JANUARY	0	JULY	107
FEBRUARY	1	AUGUST	26
MARCH	18	SEPTEMBER	9
APRIL	57	OCTOBER	2
MAY	113	NOVEMBER	0
JUNE	158	DECEMBER	0