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FROM THE EDITOR

The breeding season produced several notable firsts, including nesting confirmed in the Eared Grebe at Black Lake and on the Zuni Reservation, Spotted Owl in the Organ Mountains, and Eastern Phoebe near El Pueblo. A major heronry was discovered near Loving, where the Little Blue and Black-crowned Night herons and Snowy Egrets nested; for the Little Blue Heron this is a new breeding locality record and only the second for New Mexico. The breeding waterbirds of Elephant Butte Marsh relocated southward to the "Narrows" and Caballo Lake, with both herons and cormorants involved. Least Terns apparently bred successfully at Bitter Lake NWR for the first time in some years, while the Blue Jay appears to have nested at Artesia--adding to its extending westward range. White-tailed Ptarmigan and Brown-capped Rosy Finches were found in several parts of the high Sangre de Cristo Mountains, with the former known to have bred. The White-winged Dove expansion held steady, while a probable breeding colony of Dickcissels was found near Ft. Sumner. Possible pairs of Coppery-tailed Trogons in the Animas Mountains and American Redstarts in the Zuni Mountains might also be indicative of breeding. Numbers were down at least locally in several resident species, including Mountain Chickadee and Pygmy Nuthatch. Did the extreme cold of the preceding winter affect these birds, as it did vegetation in parts of the extreme southwest and the east? Notable summer vagrants included reports of White-eared Hummingbird, Rose-throated Becard, and a possible Eared Trogon in the southwest, a Yellow-throated Vireo in the northeast, and a Prothonotary Warbler in the northwest.

Autumn produced extensive sightings, in such groups as shorebirds (34 species) and warblers (31 species), no doubt spurred by competing lists and--more importantly--an intensive Bureau of Reclamation inventory begun in the middle and lower Pecos Valley by Bill Howe and his associates. Burt Lewis reported the best migration he had ever experienced in 30 years at Los Alamos, the peak period being 14-23 September. A full day (22 September) of raptors--watching on Sierra Grande produced 97 birds, including 63 Turkey Vultures, 6 Accipiters, 11 Redtails, and 13 Kestrels. Whooping Crane numbers increased in the state to 15 or 16, of which 7 were young-of-the-year. Notable numbers of several species were reported in the state, including Merlins, Eastern Phoebe, Spargue Pipits, Nashville Warblers, and Rose-breasted Grosbeaks. The same was true even for rare species such as the Oldsquaw, and the Palm, Bay-breasted, and Black-throated Green warblers. Other notable vagrants included reports of Louisiana Heron, Short-billed Dowitcher, Red Phalarope, Laughing Gull, Philadelphia Vireo, and several warblers (Worm-eating, Lucy, Blackburnian, etc.) in the southeast--along with first state records of Buff-breasted Sandpiper and Connecticut Warbler. The southwest had reports including Philadelphia Vireo and Prothonotary warblers, while the northwest had a Varied Thrush.

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aut/rec - autumn record
br/rec - breeding record
con/rec - continuity record
sum/rec - summer record
uns/rec - unusual record

HORNED GREBE: con/rec-Summer L. 10/30 (MA,BH) 1-2 at Evans L. 11/23 (RF), and Alamogordo 10/21 (SW),

EARED GREBE: br/rec-7 birds including young at Black L. 7/21 and adults present with many young at Blackrock and Tekapo Lakes near Zuni 7/5 (AS); these were first breeding records in these two areas. sum/rec-8 at Morgan L. 7/25 (CS), 7 at Laguna Larga, Rio Arriba Co., 6/21 (WH), 6 near Hageezi 6/11-14 (PP), 1 at Bitter L. NWR 6/20 (BJH), and 2 in winter plumage at L. McMillan 7/28 (MA,BH), these June records may have been late spring migrants and the July ones early autumn migrants.

WESTERN GREBE: br/rec-numerous at Caballo L., with 2 ad. and 4 young 7/6 (CH,DL). sum/rec-6 at Heron L. 6/26 (JH). aut/rec-25 at L. McMillan 11/24 (SW+); also 1-3 at Zuni 11/2 (AS), Summer L. 11/28 (BH), Bosque del Apache NWR 9/16 (JD), La Joya 10/29 (ME), Evans L. 11/23 (RF), and at Las Cruces--a black-lored bird--11/21-22 (WP).

WHITE PELICAN: sum/rec-9 at Elephant Butte L. 6/2 (CH). con/rec-up to 60 at Zuni 9/15-23 (AS), and peaks of 300 at Bitter L. NWR 9/18 and 1000 at L. McMillan 10/16 (BH).

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT: br/rec-over 300 nests at Caballo L. in Jun.-Jul. (CH+). con/rec-45 at Bitter L. NWR 11/4 (SW) and 10 at Willow L. 10/11 (RW,SW).

OLIVACEOUS CORMORANT: sum/rec-2 ad. and 6 im. at Elephant Butte L. 6/18 and a nest with 4 young at Caballo L. 7/6 (CH,DL). con/rec-5 at Bosque NWR 9/16 (JD), and 12 at Evans L. 11/23 (RF).

GREAT BLUE HERON: con/rec-2 near Zuni 6/3 (AS).

GREEN HERON: 1 near Cliff 11/23 (RF) and 1 at Hobbs 6/1 (HS).

LITTLE BLUE HERON: br/rec-a nest with eggs photographed near Lovington 6/2 (SW) was the first breeding recorded in the Pecos Valley. sum/rec-1 im. at Caballo L. 7/6 (CH,DL). con/rec-1 at L. McMillan 10/17 (MA,BH) and 5 south of Carlsbad 7/24-106 (SW).

CATTLE EGRET: sum/rec-9 ad. in Narrows and presumed nesting in Jun. (CH,DL). con/rec-2-7 at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/16 (JD) to 11/20 (PB) and 15-45 at L. McMillan 9/15 (RW) to 9/29 (SW).

GREAT EGRET: sum/rec-at least one pair present and presumed nesting in the Narrows in Jun.--with 2 im. there 6/23 (CH,DL). aut/rec-1 at Zuni 9/22 (AS).

LOUISIANA HERON: uns/rec-2 ad. and 2 apparent im. at Laguna Grande 8/8 (SW) were the most ever reported at one time in N.M.

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON: br/rec-hundreds of pairs in the Narrows and at Caballo L. in Jun.-Jul. (CH+) 200 nestlings banded near Loving 6/2 (SW); sum/rec-5 near Los Lunas 6/16 (JD,PF).

AMERICAN BITTERN: uns/rec-1 at Zuni 9/16 (AS); also 1 near Alameda 8/22 (JP) was somewhat unusual.

WHITE-FACED IBIS: sum/rec-4 at Zuni 7/14 and 7/30 (AS), 1 at Redrock 6/7 (RW), and 5 near Loving, including 3 dead, 6/2 (RW,SW). con/rec-1 at Bluewater L. 9/25 (AM).

WHISTLING SWAN: uns/rec-1 near Alameda 11/24-25 (JP).

CANADA GOOSE: uns/rec-1 at Bluewater L. 10/9 (AM).

SNOW GOOSE: uns/rec-1 at Redrock 6/12 (BJH) and 6/27 (NL). con/rec-2 blue phase birds at La Joya SGR 10/24 (ME), while a white bird at Bitter L. NWR 9/15 (RW) was early.

ROSS GOOSE: con/rec-1 at Ft. Sumner--with Snow Geese--10/28 and 1-2 near Artesia 11/9 and 11/23 (BH).

MALLARD: br/rec-single females with broods near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP) and near Loving 7/14 (SW).

MEXICAN DUCK: con/rec-a male near San Marcial 6/24 and 7/7 (CH,DL) and 12-13 birds of this type at Redrock 6/27 (NL).

PINTAIL: br/rec-a female with a brood at Bitter L. NWR 7/28 (BH); sum/rec-a pair near Engle 6/13 (JH) was probably late in spring migration.

GREEN-WINGED TEAL: sum/rec-4 near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP) and 5 near Engle 6/13 (JH) were probably late spring migrants.

BLUE-WINGED TEAL: uns/rec-single males at La Joya 10/30 (ME) and Tyrone 6/3 (RF).

CINNAMON TEAL: uns/rec-small numbers at Bosque NWR 10/21 (WH) and 11/23 (WP); San Simon Cienaga 9/25 and 10/3 (RM), and Las Cruces 11/21 (WP); this species is usually rare in autumn, especially after September.

AMERICAN WIGEON: sum/rec-4 at Redrock 6/13 (BJH) and 10 at White Sands NM 6/5 (JL); these were probably late migrants.

NORTHERN SHOVELER: sum/rec-21 at White Sands NM 6/5 (JL) were probably late migrants.

REDHEAD: sum/rec-10+ at Zuni 7/14 and 7/21 (AS) and a pair near San Marcial 6/24 and 7/7 (CH,DL).

RING-NECKED DUCK: uns/rec-a male in the Chuska Mts. 6/29 (AW).

CANVASBACK: con/rec-3 at Bluewater L. 10/27 (AM).

OLDSQUAW: uns/rec-1 photographed at Bosque del Apache NWR 11/23 (WP) and 3 detailed at L. McMillan 11/22 (RW); these are the most of this rare-in-N.M. ever recorded in one season in the state. (Also unconfirmed rumors of birds at Maxwell NWR and Cochiti L.).

WHITE-WINGED SCOTER: uns/rec-2 females detailed at L. McMillan 11/22 (RW).

RUDDY DUCK: sum/rec-1 near Elephant Butte L. 6/18 (CH), 1 near Engle 6/13 (JH), 4 pr. at L. Roberts 6/3 (RF), and 4 at White Sands NM 6/5 (JL) were probably late spring migrants.

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER: con/rec-small numbers at Bitter L. NWR and L. McMillan 11/1-13 (MA,BH).

BLACK VULTURE: uns/rec-1 reported with no details over I-25 between T. or C. and Socorro during the summer (Gary Parker); such a record cannot be seriously considered without supporting details.

MISSISSIPPI KITE: br/rec-2 nests with young at Clovis 84 (M. Conway) and 14 birds--plus a nesting fledgling young 8/1 at Hobbs (HS); con/rec-singles at Albuquerque 8/8 (HS) and 8/26 (S. Brown).

GOSHAWK: uns/rec-single ad. birds at Zuni 11/3 (AS) and Bitter L. NWR 11/21 (BH).

SHARP-SHINNED HAWK: br/rec-pair nesting near Cottonwood Gulch in summer (AM).

BROAD-WINGED HAWK: uns/rec-an im. probably of this species 30 mi. n.e. of Roswell 10/3 (BH); this species is very rare in autumn in N.M.

ZONE-TAILED HAWK: br/rec-a nest in the Animas Mts. 6/6 and 7/12 (SD+) is the first such local record; aut/rec-an im. near Cliff 11/22 (JE) was late.

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK: con/rec-1 at Las Cruces 11/22 (WP).

FERRUGINOUS HAWK: sum/rec-nested in Mora Co. (JH); also single birds seen near Crownpoint 6/13 (AM), near Bernardo 7/9, and at Vaughn 6/28 (JH+).

BALD EAGLE: aut/rec-singles ad. near the Gila Cliff Dwellings 9/11 and near Reserve 10/12 (B. Anderson) were early.

MARSH HAWK: sum/rec-1 near Mageezi 6/11-14 (PP) and 3 at Bitter L. NWR 9/15 (BJ).

MERLIN: aut/rec-early were singles at Bitter L. NWR 9/15 and Centerfire Bog 9/21 (R. Glinski), while 1 reported at Harroun L. 8/6 (SW) but equivocally described would be exceptionally early if valid; singles reported 10/15 to 11/29 at Socorro (PB), Ft. Sumner, 40 mi. n.e. Roswell, Bitter L. NWR, and near Artesia (BH+).

WHITE-TAILED PTARMIGAN: br/rec-2 hens with broods on Wheeler Peak in Aug. (C. Braun); sum/rec-2 birds at Stateline Peak, Taos Co. 8/10 (R. Peterson).

BOBWHITE: uns/rec-3 at Bitter L. NWR 11/7 (D&SH) and 9 near Laguna Grande 6/2 (RW,SW).

SCALED QUAIL: con/rec-1 near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP) and 6/17 (JH) and 8 at Ft. Wingate 11/5 (JH+); the species is local in n.w. N.M.

GAMBLE QUAIL: con/rec-14 near Engle 6/13 and 5 near Nutt 6/14 (JH).

CHUKAR: con/rec-30 near Farmington 11/3 (DH).

TURKEY: br/rec-hen with 9m poults near San Cristobal 7/13 (WH); the birds reported in Guadalupe Canyon recently--including with young in 1979--are domestic (D. Hadley). con/rec-55+ on Sierra Grande 9/21-23 (JH+).

SANDHILL CRANE: aug/rec-first in the Gila Valley near Cliff 9/25, with 70 on 11/23 (RF).

WHOOPIING CRANE: con/rec-15-16 in the Rio Grande Valley from Los Lunas to Hatch in autumn, including single birds at White Rock, Los Alamos Co. 11/10 (D. Case) and near Caballo L. 10/7 (JB).

COMMON GALLINULE: con/rec-up to 1 ad. and 2 im. at Farmington 7/31-8/4 (HL,AN), a "family" at Isleta 8/14 (JD), a nest presumed to be of this species near San Marciel 6/24 and 7/7 (CH,DL), and a bird at San Simon Cienega 9/25 and 10/3 (RM).

AMERICAN COOT: br/rec-pair with young at Redrock 6/27 (ML); aut/rec-present at Bluewater L. 8/12-11/30, with peak 100 on 10/9 (AM).

SNOWY PLOVER: br/rec-young seen at White Sands NM 5/29 and 6/5 (JL); sum/rec-6 at Bosque NWR 7/15 and 5+ 7/19-26 (D&SH) were among few recent records there.

MOUNTAIN PLOVER: br/rec-single broods near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP) and near Stanley 7/9 (JH). aut/rec-1-9 at Bitter L. NWR 7/28-10/3 (BH+); also 2 birds thought to be this species at Bosque NWR 7/15 (D&SH).

GOLDEN PLOVER: con/rec-1-2 at Bitter L. NWR 9/15 (D&SH) and L. McMillan 10/14 (D&SH) and 10/17 and 10/23 (MA,BH).

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER: con/rec-present at Zuni 9/1-15 (AS), 1 at White Sands NM 8/16-17 (JL), and 35 at L. McMillan 9/29 (SW).

COMMON SHIPE: uns/rec-2 reported at Zuni 7/21 and 7/31 (AS) were very early.

LONG-BILLED CURLEW: sum/rec-1 near Logan 6/21 (JH); aut/rec-present in the Carlsbad area 8/11-11/8, with peak 256 at L. McMillan 10/16 (BH).

WHIMBREL: uns/rec-single birds detailed at Bitter L. NWR 8/23 (MA, BH) and L. McMillan 8/26 (SW).

UPLAND PLOVER: aut/rec-a notable migration occurred in the lower Pecos Valley area, with numbers of birds from Artesia to Loving 7/31 (BH) to 10/14 (SW); also 4 at Bell L. 9/2 (RW, SW).

SPOTTED SANDPIPER: con/rec-1-2 early autumn migrants at Bitter L. (BH), L. McMillan (BH), and Hobbs (HS) 7/15-29.

SOLITARY SANDPIPER: con/rec-1 at Farmington--where rare--7/1 (AH) and at Bluewater L. 8/22 and 8/26 (AM).

GREATER YELLOWLEGS: sum/rec-3 at Zuni 7/14 (AS) and 10 at Bitter L. NWR 6/28 (B); these may have been early autumn migrants.

LESSER YELLOWLEGS: aut/rec-present at Bluewater L. 8/12-9/29, with peak 75 on 8/26 (AM); also 10 at Bitter L. 7/15 (BH) were probably early migrants.

RED KNOT: con/rec-singles detailed at Bitter L. NWR 9/1 and L. McMillan 9/15 (D&SH); this species is rare in H.M.

PECTORAL SANDPIPER: aut/rec-generally widespread, including western records of 1-5 in the period 9/16-10/11 at Bluewater L. (AM), Zuni (AS), and Bosque NWR (D&SH).

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER: aut/rec-15 at Laguna Grande 8/8 (SW), with singles there 9/4 (RW) and at L. McMillan 9/15 (D&SH); this species is rarely recorded in H.M. in autumn.

BAIRD SANDPIPER: aut/rec-generally widespread, including small to moderate numbers 8/2-10/11 at Bluewater L. (AM), Zuni (AS), Tyrone (RF), and White Sands NM (JL); late were 1-2 near Roswell 11/8 and L. McMillan 11/12 (BH).

DUNLIN: aut/rec-singles at Bitter L. NWR 9/1, 9/15, and 10/5 (DH+).

SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER: uns/rec-1 at Bitter L. NWR 7/28 and another at L. McMillan 10/17; details for the first include "slightly smaller (than nearby Long-billed Dowitchers);...bill noticeably shorter;...undertail coverts...very white and nearly unmarked;...'tu-du-du' call" and on second "typical treble note...tu-du-du... call: (MA, BH). This species is still unverified in H.M.

LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER: aut/rec-early was 1 near Artesia 7/19 (BH).

STILT SANDPIPER: aut/rec-present at Bitter L. NWR 7/28-10/15, with 65 on 9/27 (BH+); also 1 at Bosque NWR 8/26 (D&SH), 4 White Sands NM 8/19 (JL), 1 near Artesia 9/15 (BH+), and 8 at Bell L. 9/2 (RW,SW).

SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER: although difficult to distinguish from the Western Sandpiper, records detailed enough to suggest the present species included a few birds at Bitter L. NWR 7/28-8/23 and 10/3 (MA,BH) and White Sands NM 8/17-19 (JL).

WESTERN SANDPIPER: con/rec-1 at Bitter L. NWR 6/23 (JH) was unusual; present at Bluewater L. 8/12-9/25 (AM) and at Zuni 8/20-10/21 (AS).

BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER: uns/rec-1 reported at L. McMillan 8/26; details include "size between...Killdeer and...Western Sandpiper;...buffy colored...with mottled back and an eye ring...breast and belly unmarked...bill...lengthsimilar to...Spotted Sandpiper" (RW). This species has been reported but once from N.M., and that record was later withdrawn.

MARbled GODWIT: aut/rec-3 at Bluewater L. 8/12 (AM).

SANDERLING: aut/rec-this species is generally regarded as rare in N.M., but small numbers were reported in the period 9/14-11/6 at Bluewater L. (AM), Bitter L. NWR, L. McMillan, and near Loving (BH+); also 1 at Bitter L. 8/4 (D&SH).

AMERICAN AVOCET: br/rec-16 nests at White Sands NM (JL); sum/rec-9 near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP) and 1 between Grants and Quemado 6/25 (AM). aut/rec-40-50 at Zuni 9/1-10/7 (AS).

BLACK-NECKED STILT: br/rec-nest with eggs at White Sands NM (JL); sum/rec-1 at Tyrone 6/3 (RF) was unusual.

RED PHALAROPE: uns/rec-1 reported at Bitter L. NWR 9/27 and 10/5; details "around size of Wilson (Phalarope) but chunkier;...blackish-brown eyemark and stripe on nape and back of crown, faint reddish wash on sides of neck. Bill noticeably thicker than that of...Northern (Phalarope). Wing stripe and dark rump" (BH+). This species is very rarely reported in N.M.

WILSON PHALAROPE: sum/rec-3 near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP), 50+ at Bitter L. NWR 6/20 (BJH), 2 near Loving 6/2, and 300 at Laguna Grande 7/25 (SW).

NORTHERN PHALAROPE: aut/rec-numbers generally low but present in the Zuni Mts. area (AM,AS), Bosque NWR (JD+), White Sands NM (JL), and lower Pecos Valley (BH+) 8/25-10/3.

CALIFORNIA GULL: uns/rec-an ad, photographed at Elephant Butte L. 11/8 (J.&D. Hoffman) is a first verified record there; also at least 2 at Heron L. 6/26 (JH).

RING-BILLED GULL: con/rec-2 at Morgan L. 7/25 (CS), present at Bluewater L. 9/25-11/3, with peak of 20 on 10/19 (AM), 2 at Bitter L. NWR 7/15 and 7/28, and 2 at L. McMillan 7/29 (BH).

LAUGHING GULL: uns/rec-singles reported at Bitter L. NWR 11/10 (D&SH) and L. McMillan 9/15 (RW); details on the first include "adult just starting to loose black (on the) head;...tail white...no terminal band;..wings gray blending smoothly into black...primaries" and on the second "black hood 90% complete...wingtips dark with no white". These constitute only the second and third modern records for N.M.

SABINE GULL: uns/rec-1 detailed near Loving 10/10 (MA).

FORSYER TERN: con/rec-10 at Morgan L. 7/25 (CS), 1-5 at Bluewater L. 8/22-9/25 (AM), and up to 7 at Zuni 7/31-9/15 (AS).

COMMON TERN: con/rec-birds detailed and reported as this species include singles at Bitter L. NWR 7/15 (), L. McMillan 8/11, 8/26, and 9/15, and near Loving 10/10 (BH+).

LEAST TERN: con/rec-8 im. at Bitter L. NWR 7/15 (BH) provides the first evidence in recent years of successful nesting there; also a bird present 7/28 (BH).

BLACK TERN: sum/rec-1 near Las Cruces 6/13 (RW,SW); also 6 at Bitter L. NWR 7/15 and 8 at L. McMillan 7/21 (BH). aut/rec-present at Bluewater L. 8/12-9/25 (AM).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE: sum/rec-present at Socorro, but gone by 8/25 except for 1 bird 10/30-11/30 (PB), numbers up at Williamsburg, with young seen 7/18 and 8/19 (DM), and maximum of 17 at Carlsbad, with 1 through 11/22 (SW).

INCA DOVE: uns/rec-nest on the Delaware Ri-er 8/3 (SW) and adults carrying food at Percha Dam SP 7.19 and with imm. there 8/23 (DM); sum/rec-1-2 at Nambe, Santa Fe Co. 6/17 (ME), near Logan 6/21 (JH), at Zuni in June (AS), and at Hobbs 6/1 (HS). aut/rec-last near Loving 9/27 (BH).

GROOVE-BILLED ANI: con/rec-1 at Carlsbad Caverns NP 9/29 (D. Heald) was detailed and photographed.

BARN OWL: con/rec-numerous in the Roswell and L. McMillan areas Aug.-Sept., but only 3 detected in Oct. and 1 in Nov. (BH+).

SCREECH OWL: con/rec-1 present 30 mi, n.e., Roswell 10/20 and 2 there 11/16 (BH).

WHISKERED OWL: uns/rec-1 reported in Clanton C., Peloncillo Mts.; details limited to report that the bird vocally responded to a tape of this species calls by giving "Morse code" notes (D&SH). There is only 1 verified record of this owl from N.M.

ELF OWL: br/rec-young in a nest at Glenwood, although these apparently died after the ad. male disappeared (B&DM).

BURROWING OWL: sum/rec-2-3 in June near Kirtland (RF), near Nageezi (JH), and near Nutt (JH).

SPOTTED OWL: uns/rec-an ad. and an im. photographed in the Organ Mts. 6/22 (R. Castetter), for a local first; also 1 near Questa 6/9 (JB) and an ad. and a young bird photographed in the GUadalupe Mts. (North McKittrick C.) where rarely reported, 6/30 (W. Risser).

LONG-EARED OWL: sum/rec-1 near Farmington 6/22 (RF).

SHORT-EARED OWL: aut/rec-1 near Roswell 10/19 and 10/21 (TH,PT).

WHIP-POOR-WILL: uns/rec-1 reported without details in Cienega C., Sandia Mts. in summer (G. Parker).

POORWILL: sum/rec-heard at 8000 ft. with Whip-poor-wills near Cloudcroft 6/12-13 (HS); aut/rec-last at Cottonwood Gulch 10/8 (AM) and 1 on Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH+).

COMMON NIGHTHAWK: sum/rec-small numbers at Hobbs 6/1-3 (HS) and in the period 6/10-14 near Nutt (JH), in the Cooke Range (JH), and near Gage (BJH).

LESSER NIGHTHAWK: con/rec-singles near Engle 6/13 (JH) and at Alamogordo 10/10 (LM).

BLACK SWIFT: uns/rec-seen over Albuquerque in June (L. Hawkins) and 2 over Santa Fe 7/8 (JH); the species is rare in both areas.

CHIMNEY SWIFT: sum/rec-1 probably this species at Hobbs 6/2 (HS).

WHITE-THROATED SWIFT: aum/rec-3 in the Cooke Range 6/13 (JH). aut/rec-last at Zuni 10/7 (AS); also 8 on Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH), 2+ near Santa Fe 9/17 (JH+), and a definite migratory movement at Silver City 9/19 (RF).

ANNA HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec-single detailed male (and a probable female of the species) in the Peloncillo Mts. near Rodeo in Oct. (RS) and at Alamogordo 10/25-11/1 (G. Smith).

RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD: aut/rec-arrival was generally later than usual; late reports included 1-2 at Santa Fe 9/17 (JH), 1 near Alameda 9/29 (JP), at Zuni 9/25 (AS); and Alamogordo 10/9 (Bloyst); 1-2 at Artesia 8/4-29 (BH) were the only ones reported there.

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec-a female detailed at Artesia 8/28-29 (BH) was east of the usual range.

LUCIFER HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec-a female was reported in the Peloncillo Mts. near Rodeo 10/4-9; details include "buffy underparts curved bill, and face markings" (RS). This is only the second credible report from N.M., but records of females are always subject to questions.

RIVOLI HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec-a pair detailed near Cloudcroft 9/12 (Carroll).

BLUE-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec-a female was reported in the Peloncillo Mts. (probably in Clanton C.) 6/11; details include "large size, white front, dark tail white on either side...toward tips;...black line...back of eye with white above" (SW). These details could also apply to a female Rivoli Hummingbird, which is frequently misidentified as the species here reported.

WHITE-EARED HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec-a female reported on the e. side of the Peloncillo Mts. (probably in Clanton C.) 7/19; details include "small, green (hummingbird... with very noticeable white ear stripe and green spotted sides and a black-tipped red bill" (RW). There are only two previous reports of this species in N.M.

TROGON sp., possibly EARED: uns/rec-a trogon that was not a Coppery-tailed was seen at the Godfrey Ranch, near the Animas Mts. on 6/13; details include "large tail;... half size of...Cooper Hawk in bulk...tail coverts and back dark iridescent blue-green, blacker toward head... dark eye with perhaps reddish...heavy dark bill...white on outer (tail) feathers...flashed red and blue (when it flew)...called 'chip-chip-twee'...(voice) very low, grackle-like in volume and tone" (J. Dobrott, SD). This would be the first record of the Eared Trogon in N.M.

COPPERY-TAILED TROGON: uns/rec-a male in the Animas Mts. 6/6, 6/9, and 7/12 along with another birds--possibly a female--on 7/18 (SD+). This is the first indication of this species summering in N.M.

BELTED KINGFISHER: sum/rec-1 at Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH).

COMMON FLICKER: con/rec-single Yellow-shafteds at Roswell and in the Artesia area 10/23-11/15 (BH+), 5 Red-shafteds near Logan 6/21 (JH) and singles near Roswell 7/17 and near Artesia 7/20 (BH).

RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER: uns/rec-a male at Ft. Sumner 11/29 (BH) was well-described for the first local record.

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER: sum/rec-several near Burford L. (JD,PF) and 1 at Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH). aut/rec-2 at Los Esteros 9/1-3 (ME) and 1 near Mayhill 10/1 (BH+).

ACORN WOODPECKER: uns/rec-singles on the Carson NF near Dulce 6/13 and 7/28 (AH+) were local firsts.

LEWIS WOODPECKER: con/rec-1 in Valle Grande, Jemez Mts. 7/26 (MS) and 20 in the Zuni Mts. 10/19 (AM).

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER: sum/rec-numbers down at La Cueva (MS). aut/rec-larger than normal numbers in the Glenwood area late Sept.-Oct. (B&DM); single birds near Roswell 10/10 and Loving 10/8 (BH).

WILLIAMSON SAPSUCKER: aut/rec-1-2 at Sierra Grande 9/23 (JE), Cottonwood Gulch 11/7 (AM), Zuni 9/2 and 10/7 (AS), near Rodeo 10/24 (RS), and at Carlsbad Caverns NP--a local first--10/8 (D. Heald).

HAIRY WOODPECKER: con/rec-1 at Sierra Grande 9/23 (JE).

DOWNY WOODPECKER: sum/rec-1 in Cherry Creek C., Pinos Altos Mts. 7/14 (RF+); 1 near Burnham 9/29 (AN); aut/rec-present at Cottonwood Gulch 9/6-11/8 (AM), 1 near Alto 8/5 (BH), and 1 detailed at Rattlesnake Springs--where very unusual--9/30 (SW).

NORTHERN THREE-TOED WOODPECKER: aut/rec-numbers up at Bandelier NM Sep.-Nov. (BL) and 1 near Alto 10/11 (BH).

ROSE-THROATED BECARD: uns/rec-a female reported in Guadalupe Canyon 6/9; details include "stocky bird... size between...Vermilion Flycatcher and Black Phoebe;... overall...buffy brown;...crown...black...from eyeline level;...buffy neck collar;...tail short...reddish on... upperside;...(upperparts)...light buffy brown;...two-noted call: (RW,SW). This is the second report from N.M.

EASTERN KINGBIRD: sum/rec-1 near Bloomfield 6/22 (RF,AN). aut/rec-singles at Zuni--where unusual--8/5 (AS), Albuquerque 9/19 (HS), and near Loving 9/7 (SW).

WESTERN KINGBIRD: sum/rec-1 in Guadalupe C. 7/11 (JH), aut/rec-latest at Los Alamos 9/22 (BL), Tyrone 10/1 (RF), and Artesia 10/16 (BH).

CASSIN KINGBIRD: sum/rec-2 near Farley 6/29 (DHo), 3+ at Santa Rosa 6/19, and 5 near Engle 6/13 (JH). aut/rec-last at Los Alamos 9/16 (BL), Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH), and at Loving 9/30 (BH).

THICK-BILLED KINGBIRD: br/rec-nests in Guadalupe C. 6/10 (RW) and 7/11 (JH).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER: aut/rec-1 near Elida, Roosevelt Co. 8/21 (M. Hatch); 1-2 near Artesia 10/3 (BH) and near Otis 10/11 (R. West).

GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER: although difficult to distinguish from other Myiarchus flycatchers, this species is probably a regular but rare migrant in e. N.M.; the following records of single birds may be reliable-25 mi. n.e. of Roswell 9/6--a calling bird (BH+), Hobbs 6/2 (HS), and at Rattlesnake Springs 8/29 (RW) and 9/2 (D&SH).

WIED CRESTED FLYCATCHER: sum/rec-a family group at Glenwood 7/14-31 (B&DM).

EASTERN PHOEBE: br/rec-a nest near El Pueblo 7/3 (JH); sum/rec-1 in Taos Co. at the junction of the Rio Grande and Arroyo Hondo 6/10 (WH). aut/rec-at least 13 records between the Roswell area and Loving 10/5-13 (BH+); early was 1 reported at Rattlesnake Springs 8/29 (RW), and a bird at Pleasanton 11/6-7 (GM) was west of the usual range.

BLACK PHOEBE: uns/rec-1 at Zuni 8/26-9.22 (AS) was west of the usual range, while 1 near Alameda 11/28 (JP) was late.

WILLOW FLYCATCHER: sum/rec-1 near Ojo Sarco 6/27 (JT).

HAMMOND FLYCATCHER: sum/rec-2 near Ojo Sarco 6/27 (JT).

LEAST FLYCATCHER: a bird reported as this species at Rattlesnake Springs 3/29 (RW), but the description is not sufficient basis for the identification.

DUSKY FLYCATCHER: sum/rec-2 near Canjilon, Rio Arriba Co. 6/29 (JT); uns/rec-an Empidonax of this type at Pleasanton 11/7 (GM).

GRAY FLYCATCHER: sum/rec-1 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH) and 3 near Pecos 6/29 (BI).

WESTERN FLYCATCHER: br/rec-6 birds and a nest in a canyon n. of Zuni 6/10 and 7/7 (AS).

OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER: con/rec-2 near Cottonwood Gulch 7/17 were probably migrants; last there 9/29 (AM).

BEARDLESS FLYCATCHER: sum/rec-1 in Guadalupe C. 6/10 (RW,SW).

VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW: sum/rec-99 near Farmington 6/9 (AN). aut/rec-several at Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH) and 1 at Artesia 10/7 (BH).

TREE SWALLOW: uns/rec-an ad. and an im. reported without details at Redrock 6/2 (SW). aut/rec-small numbers widespread in migration, including near Burnham 9/29 (AN+), Cottonwood Gulch 9/1 (AM), La Joya SGR 10/29 (ME), and the Roswell area to Loving 8/1-9/15 (BH+).

BANK SWALLOW: sum/rec-present at San Juan Pueblo, Rio Arriba Co. 7/23 (WH), 1 near Pecos 6/29 (BJ), and 3 at Zuni 6/3--also 8/26 and 9/3 (AS). aut/rec-small numbers Roswell to Loving 8/8 to 9/29 (BH+).

BARN SWALLOW: aut/rec-late dates include Ft. Sumner 10/29 (MA,BH) and 2 at La Joya SGR 10/31 (ME).

CAVE SWALLOW: aut/rec-last at Rattlesnake Springs 9/28 (BH).

PURPLE MARTIN. sum/rec-a pair at Willow Creek near Pecos 7/21-22 (RT) provided a local first; the species is rare in the Sangre de Cristo Mts.

BLUE JAY: uns/rec-several reportedly at Artesia in Jul. and an ad. and begging fledglings there 8/13 (BH) suggests a westward extension in the breeding range of this species. aut/rec-1-3 birds in the period 10/12-11/11 at Santa Fe (JH), Ft. Sumner (BH), Roswell area (BH), Artesia (BH), and Rattlesnake Springs (D&SH).

STELLER JAY: aut/rec-a few in Glenwood Sept.-Nov. (B&DM).

SCRUB JAY: aut/rec-singles near Ft. Sumner 10/29 and in the Roswell area 10/19-11/20 (BH+).

MEXICAN JAY: con/rec-a family group at Bayard Jun.-Nov. (RF) were in a new locality.

BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE: aut/rec-at least 2 in Los Alamos late Oct.-Nov. (BL) and 1 at Santa Fe 9/15 and 11/10 (JH) were farther south than normal.

COMMON RAVEN: sum/rec-35 near Logan 6/21 (JH). aut/rec-1 at Roswell--identified by comparative size--9/15 (MA/BH).

WHITE-NECKED RAVEN: br/rec-pairs at nest near Abbott, Colfax Co., and near Amistad 6/21 (JH) were at the periphery of the species' range in N.M.; sum/rec-1 near Engle 6/13 (JH) and numerous Roswell to Carlsbad area, becoming scarce in Oct. and last 2 near Acme 11/15 (BH+).

COMMON CROW: uns/rec-2 calling near Logan 6/21 (JH) were far east of the expected range; sum/rec-1-2 near Mountainair 7/9 and 7/12 (JH) and 2 near Horse Springs 6/15 (B&DM). aut/rec-locally numerous in the Zuni Mts. 11/3-4 (JH), 6 near Clines Corners 8/21 (JH), and 100 at La Joya SGR 10/28 (ME).

PINYON JAY: sum/rec-4 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH), 72 near Horse Mt. 6/13 (B&DM), and 5 near White Oaks 6/15 (JH).

BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE: uns/rec-1 reported at Capulin Springs, Sandia Mts. 7/16 (RT), but the details do not rule out the possibility that the bird was a worn Mountain Chickadee, i.e. with the white eyeline faint or absent.

MOUNTAIN CHICKADEE: sum/rec-numbers reported to be markedly down in the Jemez Mts. (MS+) and in at least parts of the Zuni Mts. (AM); 1 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH).

PLAIN TITMOUSE: sum/rec-numbers down at Cottonwood Gulch (AM); 4 in the Peloncillo Mts. (probably Canton Canyon) 6/11 (SW).

VERDIN: con/rec-singles in Aug. and on 9/24 near Acme (BH) and 1 near Engle 6/13 (JH).

BUSHTIT: uns/rec-5 with "black ears" in a flock with 15 "normal" birds in Guadalupe C. 6/10 and 4 with 20 in the Peloncillo Mts. (Canton Canyon?) 6/11 (RW,SW).

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH: sum/rec-numbers down in the Jemez Mts. (MS+) and at least parts of the Zuni Mts. (AM). aut/rec-1 at Ft. Sumner 11/29 (BH).

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH: sum/rec-1 in the Chuska Mts. near Toadlena 6/30 (AN+) and 4 on Signal Peak, Pinos Altos Mts. 6/12 (RW,SW). aut/mig-small numbers migrated through lower elevations 9/2 and to mid-Oct., including near Alameda (JP), Ft. Sumner (BH), Socorro (PB), Roswell area (BH), Artesia (BH).

PYGMY NUTHATCH: sum/rec-numbers notably down in the Jemez Mts. (MS+), Zuni Mts. (AM), and in the Mogollon Highlands (B&DM+).

HOUSE WREN: aut/rec-1 at Pleasanton 10/27 (JH) was somewhat late.

WINTER WREN: con/rec-the only report was 1 at L. McMillan 10/23 and 11/2 (BH).

BEWICK WREN: sum/rec-5 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH) and 1 singing near Artesia 7/23 and 8/6 (BH).

CACTUS WREN: uns/rec-1 near Glenwood 7/14 (B&DM) appears to be the first record for the county. br/rec-young in a nest at Caballo L. 7/19 (DM); sum/rec-6 near Engle 6/13 and 2 near Nutt 6/14 (JH).

LONG-BILLED MARCH WREN: con/rec-1 near Farmington 7/31 (AN) and abundant at Zuni beginning 10/3 (AS).

GRAY CATBIRD: sum/rec-2 near El Pueblo 7/3 (JH) and 1 at Cottonwood Gulch 7/6 (AM) were local firsts. aut/rec-1 at Rattlesnake Springs 9/16 (D&SH).

BROWN THRASHER: aut/rec-singles in the period 9/16-10/21 at Los Alamos (BL), Albuquerque (HS), San Simon Cienega (RM), and near Rodeo (RS).

BENDIRE THRASHER: sum/rec-6 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH); aut/rec-1 detailed at Socorro 8/24-26 (PB) was a local first.

CURVE-BILLED THRASHER: sum/rec-1 near Logan 6/21 (JH), 3 near Roswell 6/30 (HS), and 1 at Artesia Jun.-Jul.--with 2 in autumn (BH+).

CRISSAL THRASHER: sum/rec-singles near Engle 6/13 and near Butt 6/14 (JH). aut/rec-1 near Ft. Sumner 10/29 and numbers 25 mi. n.e. Roswell in the autumn (BH+) were north of the known range in the area.

SAGE THRASHER: sum/rec-6 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH), locally numerous Gallup to Zuni in Jun.-Jul., 1 at Cottonwood Gulch 6/30, and 1 near Fence K. 6/25 (AM); 9 near Zuni 7/14-30 (AS). aut/rec-first in the Roswell area 8/29 and at Artesia 9/11 (BH,TH).

AMERICAN ROBIN: sum/rec-1 near Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH), 1 Roswell 7/28 (BH), adults apparently deeding young at Percha Dam Sp 7/19 (DM), and 1 at Artesia 7/24--plus others 10/6 and 10/16 (BH+).

VARIED THRUSH: uns/rec-a male well-described at Cottonwood Gulch 11/8 (AM); there are few N.M. records.

WOOD THRUSH: uns/rec-a bird heard calling at Sturgeon Ranch, near Roswell, 10/5 (BH) was identified as

certainly being this species; this is a rare bird in N.M.

SWAINSON THRUSH: sum/rec-1 reported at Capulin Springs, Sandia Mts. 7/7 (RTD), while 1 at Hobbs 6/1 (HS) was no doubt a late migrant.

EASTERN BLUEBIRD: aut/rec-7 at Ft. Sumner 10/15 and 25 on 11/29 (BH) were local firsts.

WESTERN BLUEBIRD: aut/rec-1 at Ft. Sumner 11/29 (BH).

MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD: sum/rec-1 near Farley 6/29 (DHo), 2 pair on Tesuque Peak at near 12,000 ft. 7/10 (WS), 2 near Horse Mt. 6/3 (B&DM), 16 near White Oaks 6/15 (JH), and 1 near Cloudcroft 6/23 (LH). aut/rec-40 at Sumner L. 10/30 and 11/28 (BH) and 1 near Loving 10/13 (BH) and a female dead there 11/12 (SW).

TOWNSEND SOLITAIRE: sum/rec-an im. in Cherry Creek C., Pinos Altos Mts. 7/14 (RF+) and a bird near Cloudcroft 6/23 (LM) were in peripheral areas. aut/rec-10 on Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH+) and 1-2 near Roswell 10/14 and near Loving 10/10 (BH+).

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER: br/rec-a nest with young in Guadalupe C. 6/10 (RW,SW); sum/rec-common near Questa Jun.-Jul. (JB), present near San Cristobal 7/7 (WH), and 1 in the Animas Mts. 7/12 (JH). aut/rec-last at Zuni on 9/23 (AS) and present in the Roswell-Artesia area 9/2-10/14 (BH).

BLACK-TAILED GNATCATCHER: uns/rec-1 reported at Rattlesnake Springs 8/11 (SW), but the details are equivocal as to species.

WATER PIPIT: sum/rec-3 on Mt. Taylor, including 1 carrying food 7/10-11 (AM), while 1 in the Chuska Mts. 6/29 (CS,AW) was probably a late migrant. aut/rec-1 on Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH) and present in the Roswell area 9/25-10/18, with peak 100 on 10/9 (BH+).

SPRAGUE PIPIT: con/rec-19 noted between Ft. Sumner and L. McMillan in the period 10/16-11/13 (BH+), while 1 seen and fairly well described near Encino 10/13 (D&SH) was a local--but not unexpected--first.

CEDAR WAXWING: sum/rec-several at Kirtland in mid-June, where said to be annual at fruit trees (CS); up to 5 at Zuni 6/3-10 (AS) may have been late migrants. aut/rec-2+ at Sierra Grande 9/22 (JH), present at Zuni 9/16-23 (AS), and 10 at Ft. Sumner 11/29 (BH).

PHAINOPEPLA; sum/rec-2 in the Glenwood area 7/31-8/2 (JH)--plays 1 11/22-30 (B&DM) and 7 at Percha Dam SP 7/19 (DM).

NORTHERN SHRIKE: uns/rec-an ad. near L. McMillan 11/10 (MA, BH) was south of the usual range in the state; con/rec-an ad. in the Zuni Mts. 10/28 (AM) and an im. on 11/4 (JH).

BELL VIREO: sum/rec-5 at Redrock 6/7, plus singles at San Simon Cienaga and Guadalupe C. 6/9 (SW) and at Percha Dam SP 6/28 (DM).

GRAY VIREO: sum/rec-1 near Hageezi 6/17 (JH) and 1 reported near Zuni 7/21 (AS).

YELLOW-THROATED VIREO: uns/rec-1 detailed--and singing--near Amistad 6/21 (JH); this species is rare in the state at any season.

SOLITARY VIREO: aut/rec-late dates were Cottonwood Gulch 9/27 (AM) and greenish birds--probably the Cassin race--at Bitter L. 10/20 (BH) and Rattlesnake Springs 10/4 and 10/16 (RW).

PHILADELPHIA VIREO: uns/rec-singles reported and detailed at Percha Dam SP 9/23 (D&SH)--photos being evaluated--and Rattlesnake Springs 9/25; details on the latter include "vireo bill, size, and actions. No wingbars, definite white and black eyeline, white under eye, yellowish throat, breast, and belly" (RW). This species is very rare in N.M.

RED-EYED VIREO: uns/rec-singles at Los Alamos 9/15 (BL), Percha Dam SP 9/22 and Rattlesnake Springs 9/16 (D&SH), plus a very unusual singing bird at Zuni 6/10 (AS).

WARBLING VIREO: sum/rec-7 near Zuni 6/10 (AS), a bird in Guadalupe C. 6/10 (RW) was no doubt a late migrant.

BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER: aut/rec-1-3 in the period 9/27-29 at Bitter L. NWR (BH), Percha Dam SP (D&SH), and Rattlesnake Springs (MA, BH).

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER: uns/rec-singles detailed at Arroyo Hondo on the Rio Grande, Taos Co., 6/10 (WH) and photographed at Percha Dam SP 9/22 (D&SH); very rare in N.M. at these seasons.

WORM-EATING WARBLER: uns/rec-1 detailed at Rattlesnake Springs 9/5 (SW); very rare in N.M. in autumn.

TENNESSEE WARBLER: aut/rec-3 in the period 9/16-28 at Rattlesnake Springs (SW+).

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER: sum/rec-1 near Cloudcroft 6/23 (LM).

NASHVILLE WARBLER: aut/rec-more widely detected than usual, including small numbers in the period 9/3-10/13 near Dulce, Rio Arriba Co. (HL,AN), near Corrales, Bernalillo Co. (JD), Zuni (AS), Tinnie (MA), and in the Carlsbad area (PT+).

VIRGINIA WARBLER: aut/rec-1 seen 30 mi. n.e. Roswell 10/5 (PT).

LUCY WARBLER: uns/rec-1 very well-detailed 30 mi. n.e. Roswell 11/15 (MA) was the first credible report in N.M. from the Pecos Valley.

NORTHERN PARULA WARBLER: aut/rec-singles at Los Alamos in late Sept. (W. Turner+) and near Artesia 9/11 (TH) were somewhat unusual.

OLIVE WARBLER: con/rec-a male in Upper Dry C., Mogollon Mts. 7/12 (RSk).

BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER: aut/rec-a female detailed and indefinitely photographed at Percha Dam SP 9/29 (D&SH).

YELLOW-RUMPED (MYRTLE) WARBLER: aut/rec-24 birds recorded 10/20-11/26 between the Roswell and Loving areas (BH).

BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER: sum/rec-1 near White Oaks 6/15 (JH).

TOWNSEND WARBLER: aut/rec-8 at Sierra Grande 22-23 (JH+), 3 at Cottonwood Gulch 9/17 (AM), and 3 birds n.e. of Roswell 9/1-24 (BH).

BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER: aut/rec-6 records at Rattlesnake Springs 9/16-10/4 (RW,SW).

BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER: uns/rec-single females an imm. reported at Rattlesnake Springs 9/15 (D&SH) and 9/17 (SW); details under study by the NMOS Bird Committee.

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER: uns/rec-a female or im. photographed at Percha Dam SP 9/29 (D&SH).

BAY-BREASTED WARBLER: uns/rec-an "influx" of female or im. birds 9/23-10/2 was unusual, including 1 at Sierra Grande--collected--(JH) and a detailed single at Cliff (JE) and 2 at Rattlesnake Springs (RW,SW); a report in the Sandia Mts. 9/4 (RT) is problematical in terms of its validity.

PALM WARBLER: uns/rec-the first "influx" for the state, consisting of drab-plumaged but well-detailed birds, consisted of 5 different reports in the period 9/22-10/14 at Sierra Grande (JE), Roswell area, Mayhill, Altos, and Loving, plus another at L. McMillan 11/10 (MA,BH).

OVENBIRD: uns/rec-1 detailed in Water C., Magdalena Mts., Socorro Co. 6/19 (RT) was out-of-season; aut/rec-1 at Bitter L. NWR 9/23 (PT) was somewhat unusual.

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH: aut/rec-1 near Burnham 9/8 (AN).

CONNECTICUT WARBLER: uns/rec-a female or im. reported at Rattlesnake Springs 9/11 (RW) is the first for N.M.; details are not unequivocal but include "very noticeable, complete eyering, Hood brownish, not grayish...breast same color".

NORTHERN YELLOWTHROAT: con/rec-1 at Cottonwood Gulch 7/5 (AM) and 2 at San Simon Cienaga 10/3 (RM).

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT: aut/rec-last at Zuni 8/26--where 8-12 summered (AS), still singing n.e. of Roswell 9/8 and last at Artesia 9/11 (BH).

AMERICAN REDSTART: uns/rec-a female banded at Cottonwood Gulch 7/5 and a first-year male on 7/16--with both still present 8/24; there is no proof that breeding occurred, although the female had an old brood patch (AM). aut/rec-widespread in small numbers in migration in the period 8/21-9/28, including near Rodeo (RS), Bell L. (RW,SW), and in the lower valleys of the Rio Grande and Pecos River; 1 at L. McMillan 10/23 (BH) was late.

PAINTED REDSTART: uns/rec-2 in Cienaga C., Sandia Mts. 9/4-8 (RT+) were north of the normal range.

HOUSE SPARROW: con/rec-15+ in Guadalupe C. 7/10-11 (JH+).

BOBOLINK: uns/rec-12-15 detailed at Rattlesnake Springs 9/2 (D&SH); rare in autumn.

EASTERN MEADOWLARK: sum/rec-northern peripheral reports include 1 near Grants 6/23 (AM), 7 near Engle 6/13, and 48 near Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH).

WESTERN MEADOWLARK: sum/rec-southern peripheral reports include 4 near Fence L. 6/25 (AM), 35 near Ft. Sumner 6/20, 6 near White Oaks 6/15 (JH), and present near Artesia Jun.-Jul. (BH).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: sum/rec-1 near Bell L. 6/22 (HS) was no doubt a migrant.

ORCHARD ORIOLE: sum/rec-1 at Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH) was north of the usual range, while a pair with a begging cowbird fledgling at Hobbs 7/29 (HS) provided a first indication of local breeding. aut/rec-1 n.e. of Roswell 9/8 (MA,PT) was somewhat unusual.

HOODED ORIOLE: sum/rec-1 in the Cooke Range 6/13 (JH).

SCOTT ORIOLE: sum/rec-2 near Nageezi 6/17 and 6 near Engle 6/13 (JH); 1 near Horse Springs 6/15 (B&DM) was a local first. aut/rec-last near Carlsbad on 10/1 (RW).

BREWER BLACKBIRD: br/rec-nesting birds at Mescalero 6/12-13 (HS) were the first to be reported from the area; sum/rec-5 at Santa Rosa 6/19 1 near Gage 6/10 (BJH), (JH) and 2 near Cloudcroft 6/23 (LM).

GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE: sum/rec-new or recently occupied areas include 15 adults and imm. near Moriarty 7/9 (JH), and several females and imm. at Glenwood 7/29 (JH; also common Hagerman and Artesia areas Jun-Jul. (BH+) and a bird at Bell L. 9/2 (SW).

COMMON GRACKLE: sum/rec-probable females seen at Farmington in Jun.-Jul, with 10+ birds there--including adults and imm.--8/13 and 8/16 (AN+); 1 near Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH). aut/rec-1 at Socorro 10/29 (ME), 5+ at Portales 8/21 (JH), small numbers in the Artesia area 9/29-11/2 (BH), and 100 at Carlsbad 10/25 (SW).

WESTERN TANAGER: aut/rec-late was 1 at Carlsbad Caverns NP 10/24 (RW).

SCARLET TANAGER: uns/rec-a male reported at Rattlesnake Springs 9/16 (SW), but the details indicate it was in breeding plumage!

SUMMER TANAGER: uns/rec-1 at Los Esteros 9/10 (ME) was north of the normal range, while birds n.e. of Roswell Jun.-mid. Sept. (BH) were in an area were rarely reported.

PYRRHULOXIA: aut/rec-peripheral records included singles at Ft. Sumner 10/15 (BH) and Silver City 11/13 (fide RF), plus 3 birds n.e. of Roswell 11/14 (BH).

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: sum/rec-1 near the Animas Mts. 6/2 (SD) was probably a late migrant. aut/rec- normally rarely reported in autumn, there were 6 reports of females or imm. in the period 8/14-10/4 at Los Alamos (BL), Zuni (AS), and in the Carlsbad area (MA+).

BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK: sum/rec-singles at Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH), Hobbs 6/3 (HS), and Artesia 7/19 (BH), plus a melanistic juv. reported at Silver City (H. Williams).

INDIGO BUNTING: br/rec-reported "nesting" at Redrock 6/12 (BJH) and a female carrying food at Rattlesnake Springs 6/16 (SW); sum/rec-numerous in the Artesia-L. McMillan area Jun.-Aug., with the last seen 9/12 (BH+).

LAZULI BUNTING: sum/rec-3 near Ojo Sarco 6/27 (JT), 2 pair near Zuni 6/29 (AS), pair near Artesia 7/20-31, the male singing (BH), and a female near Loving 8/30 (MA).

VARIED BUNTING: sum/rec-3-4 in Guadalupe C. 6/9-10 (RW,SW) and 7/10-11 (JH+).

PAINTED BUNTING: numerous in the Artesia-L. McMillan area Jun.-Aug., the last there 8/11 (BH); also a male at Hobbs 8/3 (HS).

DICKCISSEL: uns/rec-4 singing males and a foraging female near Ft. Sumner 6/19-20 (JH) suggest breeding in the area, which is still unproved in N.M.; one singing near Loving 7/24 (SW). aut/rec-6 near Picacho and 3 near Tinnie 9/16 (MA,BH).

EVENING GROSBEAK: sum/rec- a few in the Mogollon Mts. area--Loco Mt., Bill Lewis C., and Willow Creed--late Jun.-7/5 (BJH). aut/rec-present at Cottonwood Gulch 10/25- 11/30--with peak 60 on 11/7 (AM) and 3 at Alto 10/11 (BH).

PURPLE FINCH: uns/rec-the typical "pit" note of the species heard from a flying bird near L. McMillan 11/24 (BH), but the plumage could not be examined.

CASSIN FINCH: sum/rec-several in the Sandia Mts. 7/16 (RT) were rather unusual, as definitely was an apparent im. male at Farmington 6/1-21 (AN). aut/rec-present 9/21-11/30 at Cottonwood Gulch (AM) and 3 in the L. McMillan-Artesia area 11/11 (MA,BH).

BROWN-CAPPED ROSY FINCH: sum/rec-noted on Latir, Wheeler, and Pecos Baldy peaks 8/3-10 (C. Braun) and 1 on Tesuque Peak 7/10 (WS).

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH: sum/rec-a male and several females at Rattlesnake Springs 8/12, and a male acting territorially near Loving 8/21 (BH).

LESSER GOLDFINCH: sum/rec-3 near Engle 6/13 (JH) and 1 near Gage 6/19 (BJH); aut/rec-last at Cottonwood Gulch 10/14 (AM) and n.e. of Roswell on 11/14 (BH).

GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE: sum/rec-an ad. with 1+ fledglings near Alto 8/5 (BH) and singles near White Oaks 6/15 (JH), Sierra Blanca 6/20 (BJH), and near Cloudcroft 6/23 (LM); also 2 birds resembling this species near Lakewood, Eddy Co., 6/18 (SW). aut/rec-a notable

influx at Los Alamos (BL) and present in the Artesia-Loving area in numbers 9/12-11/17 (BH+).

RUFIOUS-SIDED TOWHEE: sum/rec-numerous in the L. McMillan area in Jun-Jul. (BH).

BROWN TOWHEE: con/rec-1 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH), 1 near Ft. Sumner 6/20 (JH), 2 near Roswell 6/30 (HS), 2 at Centerfire Bog 11/14 (JH+), 1 at Artesia 7/29 and 8/8, and 4 near L. McMillan 11/25 (BH).

LARK BUNTING: sum/rec-males locally numerous and displaying in the Rosebud-Amistad-Clayton L. and Capulin Mt-Farley-Roy areas 6/21 (JH), with 44 near Farley 6/29 (DHo), 1 near Ocate 6/4, 4 near Logan 6/21 (JH), 9 near Roswell 6/30 (HS), and rather unusually, 5 near Nageezi 6/11-14 (PP); first at Hobbs 7/27 (HS) and at Artesia 7/21 (BH).

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW: aut/rec-singles in the period 9/5-10/8 near Burnham (AN+), Artesia (BH), Rattlesnake Springs (SW), and near Loving (MA).

LeCONTE SPARROW: uns/rec-1 detailed 10 mi. s. of Ft. Sumner 10/29 (MA,BH) for a local but not unexpected first.

VESPER SPARROW: sum/rec-7 near Farley 6/29 (DHo), 111 near Pecos 6/29 (BI), and 8 near White Oaks 6/15 (JH). aut.rec-2 at Ft. Wingate 11/2 (JH+) were late.

RUFIOUS-CROWNED SPARROW: con/rec-1 at Los Esteros 9/1-3 (ME) and fairly common near Picacho 9/16 (BH).

CASSIN SPARROW: sum/rec-numerous in the eastern plains and lower Pecos Valley area, with singing birds still numerous at Hobbs 7/29 (HS) and 1 near Loving 10/13 (MA,BH); peripheral reports include 2 near Farley 6/29 (DHo), 171 near Logan 6/21 (JH), 36 near Nutt 6/14 (JH), 11 near Gage 6/10 (BJH), and singles near Rodeo 6/7 and near Animas 6/11 (SW). uns/rec-1 reported without details at Zuni 9/22 (AS).

BLACK-THROATED SPARROW: sum/rec-14 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH), and 1 near Horse Springs 6/15 (B&DM).

SAGE SPARROW: sum/rec-37 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH) and 1 near Zuni 7/30 (AS). aut/rec-fairly common near Ft. Sumner in late Nov. (BH).

JUNCO SP.: uns/rec-an im. with yellow eyes reported at Signal Peak, Pinos Altos Mts. 7/28 (RW), but none others of the submitted details suggests that this was anything other than a variant Gray-headed Junco.

DARK-EYED JUNCO: aut/rec-4 Slate-coloreds at Ft. Sumner 10/15-11/29 (BH); first Oregons at Bitter L. NWR (BH) and Cottonwood Gulch (AM) on 10/8 and near Alameda 10/12 (JP).

GRAY-HEADED JUNCO: aut/rec-first at Bitter L. NWR 9/23 (BH); 8 at Sierra Grande 9/22-23 (JH+).

TREE SPARROW: aut/rec-2 near Ft. Sumner 11/29 (MA).

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: aut/rec-fairly numerous in the Artesia area 9/15-10/7, with 12 on 9/21 (BH).

BREWER SPARROW: sum/rec-6 near Nageezi 6/17 (JH) and 3 near Fence L. 6/25 (AM).

FIELD SPARROW: aut/rec-3 at Rattlesnake Spring 9/30 and 6 at L. Avalon, Eddy Co. 11/23 (SW).

BLACK-CHINNED SPARROW: sum/rec-2 near White Oaks 6/15 (JH).

HARRIS SPARROW: aut/rec-the only report was of an im. near Artesia 11/9 (BH).

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: aut/rec-numbers up at Los Alamos (BL), Santa Fe area (JH), and Glenwood (B&DM); early dates include Cottonwood Gulch 9/13 (AM), Galisteo, Santa Fe Co. 9/17 (WS), and Roswell 9/23 (MA).

FOX SPARROW: aut/rec-singles near Rodeo--dark race--10/1-4 (RS) and Bitter L. NWR--reddish race--10/13 (D&SH).

LINCOLN SPARROW: sum/rec-2 singing near Sunspot 6/11 (HS) provide a local first.

SWAMP SPARROW: aut/rec-1 near Alameda 11/16 (JP).

SONG SPARROW: uns/rec-1 reportedly of this species singing in Karr Canyon near Cloudcroft 6/23 (LM), but the record is not unequivocal.

MCCOWN LONGSPUR: uns/rec-2 photographed near Encino 10/13 (D&SH) provide the first modern verified record in that area. Other reports received as this species was not satisfactory.

CHESTNUT-COLLARED LONGSPUR: uns/rec-1 near Burnham was detailed for the first local record 10/14 (AN); aut/rec-regular in the Roswell area Oct.-Nov. and the first near Artesia 10/2 (BH).