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SPRING 1993 HIGHLIGHTS:

It was very dry and windy with normal temperatures this spring. Red-throated and Yellow-billed loons remained at Navajo Lake until early March. High counts of ducks on the Maxwell Refuge on March 16 included 450 Green-winged Teal, 375 Pintail, 575 Shoveler, 925 Gadwall, 450 American Wigeon, 225 Canvasback, 1750 Redhead, 1350 Lesser Scaup, 700 Bufflehead, and 225 Ruddy Duck (CR). Bobwhite, Gambel's and Scaled quail numbers were high in all areas where reported. A Black Skimmer was photographed at Elephant Butte Lake. Hummingbirds staged an impressive showing in the Peloncillo Mountains. A Berylline Hummingbird was photographed in Guadalupe Canyon; Lucifer and Costa's hummingbirds also made an appearance.

Rare warblers and vireos included Yellow-throated Vireo and Magnolia, Yellow-throated, Palm, Bay-breasted, Prothonotary, Worm-eating, and Hooded warblers.

Corrigenda: The Painted Redstart in Volume 31, Number 4, page 87 was actually at the Gila River Habitat Area.

Abbreviations Used:

AFB	Air Force Base	NMMI	N.M. Military Institute
CG	Campground	NMSU	N.M. State University
Co.	County	R.	River
EBL	Elephant Butte Lake	RBA	Rare Bird Alert
L.	Lake	SP	State Park
Mt., Mts.	Mountain(s)	WMA	Wildlife Management Area
NF	National Forest	v.o.	various observers
NM	National Monument	+	et al.
NP	National Park	*	details provided
NWR	National Wildlife Refuge	**	photo and/or tape
BBS	Breeding Bird Survey	***	details provided

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PLACE NAMES AND THEIR COUNTIES:

Albuquerque	Bernalillo	Maxwell NWR	Colfax
Animas Creek	Sierra	Melrose trap	Roosevelt
Animas Mts.	Hidalgo	Mesilla, Dam	Doña Ana
Avalon L.	Eddy	Mills Canyon	Harding
Bandelier NM	Sandoval	Mogollon Mts.	Catron
Bernalillo	Sandoval	Montoya	Quay
Bill Evans L.	Grant	Morgan L.	San Juan
Bitter L. NWR	Chaves	Navajo L.	San Juan
Black Range	Sierra/Grant	Newkirk	Guadalupe
Black Rock L.	McKinley	Orogrande	Otero
Boone's Draw	Roosevelt	Peloncillo Mts.	Hidalgo
Bosque (del Apache)	NWR	Percha SP	Sierra
	Socorro	Pilar	Taos
Carlsbad	Eddy	Pinos Altos Mts.	Grant
Clayton	Union	Portales	Roosevelt
Cookes Range	Luna	Post Office Canyon	Hidalgo
Corrales	Sandoval	Rattlesnake Springs	Eddy
Cuervo	Guadalupe	Rincon	Doña Ana
Eagle Nest, L.	Colfax	Roswell	Chaves
Elephant Butte L.	Sierra	Sacramento R., Mts.	Otero
Española	Rio Arriba	San Andres NWR and Mts.	
Farmington	San Juan		Doña Ana
Floyd	Roosevelt	San Francisco Mts.	Catron
Fort Sumner	DeBaca	San Mateo Mts.	Socorro
Gila	Grant	San Jon	Quay
Glenwood	Catron	San Simon Cienega	Hidalgo
Guadalupe Canyon	Hidalgo	Sandia Mts.	Bernalillo
Hillsboro	Sierra	Sangre de Cristo Mts.	Taos
Holloman L.	Otero		and Santa Fe
Jemez Mts.	Sandoval	Santa Clara Canyon	
Jornada Range	Doña Ana		Rio Arriba
Kirtland AFB	Bernalillo	Santa Fe	Santa Fe
Ladder Ranch	Sierra	Santa Rosa, L.	Guadalupe
Laguna Grande	Eddy	Silver City	Grant
Las Cruces	Doña Ana	Skeleton Canyon	Hidalgo
Las Palomas	Sierra	Socorro	Socorro
Las Vegas, NWR	San Miguel	Springer L.	Colfax
Leyba	San Miguel	Stubblefield L.	Colfax
Logan	Quay	Sumner L. SP	DeBaca
Lordsburg, playas	Hidalgo	Tucumcari, L.	Quay
Los Lunas	Valencia	Ute L. SP	Quay
Magdalena Mts.	Socorro	Water Canyon	Socorro
Malaga	Eddy	Williamsburg	Sierra
Mangas Springs	Grant	Zuni, Mts.	McKinley

SPECIES ACCOUNTS:

RED-THROATED LOON -- Unusual: a first-winter bird present on Navajo L. since 2/4 was last seen 3/6 (DC*, TR*).

COMMON LOON -- 1 on Navajo L. 3/6 (TR); 1 at Ute L. SP 3/19 (CR); a late 1 was on Jackson L., San Juan Co., 5/7 (TR); up to 7 at EBL 3/4 (LG).

YELLOW-BILLED LOON -- Unusual: 1 present since 2/4 was last seen on Navajo L. on 3/6 (TR*) and 3/7 (BV*).

PIED-BILLED GREBE -- Breeding: a brood was seen 2 miles e. of Buena Vista, Mora Co., 5/11 (JPH+); a brood of 6 half-grown young at Bosque NWR 5/9 (CR).

HORNED GREBE -- 3 was a high count on Ute L. SP 3/19 (CR) and EBL 3/13 (JP); 1 on Riner L. near Buena Vista, Mora Co., 3/24 was a new locality; 1 on Santa Rosa L. 3/17 (both CR).

WESTERN GREBE -- Present on Morgan L. 3/6 to 5/22, with a high of 100+ (TR); 1 on Black Rock L. 3/28 to 5/9 (DC).

CLARK'S GREBE -- 1 to 4 on Morgan L. 3/6 to 5/22 (TR+*).

AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN -- 8 on Snyder L. near Clayton 5/15 (WC); 18 to 20 at La Joya WMA, Socorro Co., 3/23 to 4/13 (J.Baird, JPH, EE); 1 at Redrock WMA, Grant Co., 3/18 (DM).

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT -- 3 at Santa Rosa L. 3/17, 1 with full nuptial plumes (CR); singles near Zuni 5/9 and 5/11 (DC), Bernalillo 5/2 (JPH, EE), and Bill Evans L. 4/30 (EL).

LEAST BITTERN -- 1 at Bosque NWR 5/30 (GFr, fide RBA).

GREAT EGRET -- 2 on Nutria L. near Zuni 4/17 (DC). 4 at Mangas Springs on 5/18 (RF).

LITTLE BLUE HERON -- A single adult at Bosque NWR 4/7 to 4/30 (JP, LG, BV, v.o.). 1 at Holloman L. on 4/3 (GE).

TRICOLORED HERON -- Unusual: 1 at Cass Draw pond between Otis and Loving, Eddy Co., 5/30 (SW+).

CATTLE EGRET -- 1 at Eagle Nest L. 5/20 (JPH, RWD); 2 near Zuni 5/2 (DC); 1 near Fort Sumner 5/22 (JP, CR); 1 5/4 at Williamsburg (JPH, RWD); 1 at Mangas Springs 5/18 (RF); 1 at the playas w. of Lordsburg 4/21 (JPH, RWD, EL).

GREEN-BACKED HERON -- 1 at the Laguna Grande 4/20 (SW).

WHITE-FACED IBIS -- Recorded statewide 3/13 to 5/28: from 5 to 17 at Morgan L. 4/11 and 5/1 (TR); 9 at El Malpais near Grants, Cibola Co., 4/19 (DM); 1 at Española 5/9 (BF+); and 25 at Tucumcari L. 5/18 (JPH, RWD) south to near Lordsburg with 2 on 4/21 (EL) and 1 near Malaga 4/8 (B.Tolles, fide SW). Impressive counts were 200+ at Zuni 5/5 (DC); 60 at Bosque NWR 4/21 (RT, PB); and 60 near Percha SP 5/13 (CS).

WOOD DUCK -- 2 to 4 were at Farmington 3/20 and 4/24 (TR); 2 males and 4 females were on the Pecos R. near Santa Rosa on 3/17 (CR); 1 near Roswell 5/8 (SB); late were 2 pairs at Percha SP 5/29 (BZ+) and a pair near Mesilla Dam 5/28 (RM).

MALLARD -- 3 pairs of the Mexican form were at Williamsburg 5/4 and 1 pair in the lower Mimbres Valley, Luna Co., 5/5 (both JPH, RWD); 1 was at the Lordsburg playas 3/21 (DM).

RING-NECKED DUCK -- 7 were on a pond in Lordsburg 3/15 with 2 still present on 4/19 (EL).

GREATER SCAUP -- 3 males on Riner L., Mora Co., 3/24 (CR*).

COMMON GOLDENEYE -- A late female at Bosque NWR 4/29 (JP); 1 at Bottomless Lakes SP 4/4 (DM, P. Mehlhop, N. Cox).

BARROW'S GOLDENEYE -- A pair on Navajo L. 3/6 (TR*); 2 males and 4 females on the San Juan R. below the dam on 3/7 (BV*).

BUFFLEHEAD -- Late singles were near Fort Sumner 5/22 (JP, CR) and near Columbus, Luna Co., on 5/23 (SOW).

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER -- 5 at Sumner L. SP 3/6 (CR).

TURKEY VULTURE -- First sightings were at Wagon Mound, Mora Co., 3/24 (J. Campbell); Sandia Mts. 3/19 (PES); Roswell 3/3 (SB); Glenwood 3/15 (RF); Carlsbad 3/1 (M. Bemis, fide SW).

OSPREY -- Breeding: 2 nests in Rio Arriba Co. 5/7 (DS+)...; a record 100 were counted at the Sandia Mts. Hawk Watch site this spring (EGM+), the previous high count was 70. Singles over Los Alamos 4/6 (BF); Alameda in Bernalillo Co. 4/9 (EE, JPH); Petroglyph NM near Albuquerque 4/1 (AS+); over Albuquerque 4/15 and on 4/17 carrying a 10 inch goldfish (PES).

BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE -- Singles were e. of Roswell on 4/9 (SW*); in the Uvas Valley w. of Hatch, Luna Co., on 3/21 (DM**); and w. of Columbus, Luna Co., 5/24 (SOW). A pair was at Las Palomas 4/27-28 (GF).

MISSISSIPPI KITE -- 1 McDuffie Park, ne. Albuquerque 5/8-9 (BO); 1 in Melrose, Curry Co., 5/22 (JP, CR); an early adult 4/3 (PRS*) and a high of 10 on 5/13 (JP) at Bitter L. NWR.

NORTHERN GOSHAWK -- 1 adult in the San Juan Mts., Rio Arriba Co., 5/15 (CB); 1 immature at Cerrillos, Santa Fe Co., on 3/23 (CR); an adult in the Sandia Mts. 4/17 (DM); and an adult in the Peloncillo Mts. 5/22-23 (LG*).

COMMON BLACK-HAWK -- 1 adult at Percha SP 4/17 (JP, LG, good details). A first local record was of an adult at Seco Creek on the Ladder Ranch 5/28 (SOW+).

HARRIS' HAWK -- 2 adults and an immature in Sierra Co. 5/4 (JPH, RWD); 3 adults in Otero Co. 5/6 (DS); and 1 in Luna Co. on 3/20 (T. Lawton, fide CS).

BROAD-WINGED HAWK -- A migrant at Boone's Draw 5/14 (JP*) and at Percha SP 4/24 (JP*, RM+). A record count of 7 from the Sandia Mts. Hawk Watch lookout this spring (EGM+).

ZONE-TAILED HAWK -- Breeding: an active nest at Seco Creek, Ladder Ranch, on 5/27 may be the first local record (SOW+).

FERRUGINOUS HAWK -- Breeding: drastically reduced near Clayton (WC);...1 at Whites City, Eddy Co., 5/8 (SW) was late.

MERLIN -- Singles in Mills Canyon 3/15 (CR), near Gila 3/20 and 3/26 (RF), and near Cotton City, Hidalgo Co., 4/19 (EL).

PEREGRINE FALCON -- A record count of 47 over the Sandia Mts. Hawk Watch lookout this spring (EGM+). The previous high count was 25. There was a good number of reports (v.o.)

WILD TURKEY -- 1 in Mills Canyon on 5/30 (JPH, EE); 2 roosts with many tracks found near Mayhill, Otero Co., on 3/29 were evidently feeding on oaks (GS).

MONTEZUMA QUAIL -- A pair was near Indian Peak on the Ladder Ranch 5/28 (SOW+); 2 pairs were at the n. end of the San Mateo Mts., Socorro Co, 4/26 to 5/3 (D.Holderman); while 2 pairs were near White Oaks, Lincoln Co., 3/26 and 5 were e. of Mayhill, Otero Co., 3/29 (both GS+).

COMMON MOORHEN -- 1 at Black Rock L. near Zuni 4/17 (DC*).

SANDHILL CRANE -- 100 over Santa Fe 3/18 may be a first local record (JPH); 7000 on 3/7 over the Petroglyph NM w. of Albuquerque was the "largest flight I've seen" (HS).

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER -- Singles in breeding plumage were at Bosque NWR 4/21-22 (PES) and EBL 4/24 (JP, LG).

LESSER GOLDEN-PLOVER -- 1 in breeding plumage at Bosque NWR 5/8-9 (JP*, LG**, CR*, CB); a possible 1 Holloman L. 4/3 (GE*).

SNOWY PLOVER -- Good numbers this spring at Bitter L. NWR (v.o.) with a high count of 50 on 4/2-4 (PES, LG); 10 to 19 on Holloman L. 4/7 to 5/7 (CS); 5 to 17 at the Laguna Grande 4/20 to 5/30 (SW). At the edge of the region was 1 or 2 at Morgan L. 5/7 (TR); 1 at Maxwell NWR 5/28 (CR); 11 at Bosque NWR 5/8 (RT, PB); 1 at EBL 5/1 (LG, CD); and 1 on the playa w. of Lordsburg on 5/20 (LG, TH).

SEMIPALMATED PLOVER -- 1 at Morgan L. 4/25 and 5/7 (TR+) and 2 in Moriarty, Torrance Co, on 5/7 (R. Brooks) where it's not common. Elsewhere high counts of up to 17 at Bosque NWR 4/24 to 5/9 (v.o.) and 7 at Holloman L. 4/25 (CS).

MOUNTAIN PLOVER -- 5 returned to the Grasslands Turf Farm, Los Lunas, 3/6 (JP); 2 near Santa Rosa 5/17 (JPH, RWD); 1 near Truth or Consequences, Sierra Co., 4/30 (DL, JB).

BLACK-NECKED STILT -- 1 on Morgan L. on 4/30 (TR); 2 La Joya SGR 3/23 (JPH, EE); 2 near Texico, Curry Co., 4/14 (CR).

AMERICAN AVOCET -- A high count of 103 at Grady and 24 near Texico, Curry Co., on 4/14 (CR).

WILLET -- Conspicuous 4/23 to 5/8 including 30 at Morgan L. 4/30 (TR); 20 at Zuni 5/5 (DC); 11 at the Las Vegas NWR 5/1 in a snowstorm (CR); 7 Cochiti L., Sandoval Co., 5/1 (CR); 50 to 55 at EBL 4/24 (JP, LG); 1 on the Jornada Range on a fence post 4/23 (CS). 1 at Holloman L. 5/28 was late (BZ+).

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WHIMBREL -- Unusual: 1 at Morgan L. 4/11 and 4/27 (TR*); Bosque NWR 5/4-5 (RT, PES, DL, JB) and 2 on 5/8-9 (JP and good details, LG*, CB).

LONG-BILLED CURLEW -- 2 at Zuni 5/5 (DC); 2 at White Lake Santa Fe Co., 5/16 (JPH, EE); 1 near Melrose, Curry Co., 5/22 (CR, JP); 3 near Grady, Curry Co., 4/14 and 210 w. o Portales 4/1 (CR); 4 on the Jornada Range 4/1 (CS+).

MARBLED GODWIT -- Peak counts of 76 at Morgan L. 4/26 (TR 80 at EBL 4/24 (JP, LG), and 200 at Conchas L., San Migue Co., 4/22 (MP). 1 at Avalon L. on 4/16 (TJH, fide SW).

RED KNOT -- Unusual: 2 at EBL on Monticello Point 5/5 (CB in partial breeding plumage.

SANDERLING -- 1 to 3 at Morgan L. 4/24 to 5/7 (TR*); 3 at EBL 5/2 (JP, LG); 1 with a broken wing was very late on Holloman L. on 5/28 (BZ+).

SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER -- Unusual: a possible 1 on Morgan on 4/22 (TR*).

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER -- Unusual: 1 in breeding plumage in a flooded field at Fort Sumner 5/22 (JP*, CR*, details good); 1 at Bitter L. NWR 5/15 (CR good details, PRS+).

DUNLIN -- A high count of 9 at Bosque NWR on 3/20 (JP, AK 1 at Bitter L. NWR 4/4 (PES, JP, LG, CB); at Holloman L. 1 with a black belly on 5/7 (CS) was late.

STILT SANDPIPER -- 8 on 5/9 (CR) and 2 on 5/29 (JP, LG) at Bosque NWR. It is not seen often in the Rio Grande Valley Peak count of 31 at Bitter L. NWR on 5/15 (CR+).

COMMON SNIFE -- 1 about a mile north of Wagon Mound, Mora Co., on 5/11 (JPH+).

FRANKLIN'S GULL -- Widespread and numerous April to mid-May with 112 in a flock at Corrales 5/1 (CR) and 175+ at Bosque NWR 4/16 (GE). 22 were at Morgan L. 4/11 (TR); 28 at Zuni 4/17 (DC); 2 late adults were at Holloman L. 5/28 (BZ+).

BONAPARTE'S GULL -- 2 in winter plumage at Morgan L. on 4, and 4/27 (TR); 1 or 2 at Zuni 4/10 and 5 on 4/17 (DC); 1 winter plumage at Bitter L. NWR 4/4 (PES, DM, Pat Mehlhop Nancy Cox).

RING-BILLED GULL -- 15 at Eagle Nest L. 5/20 and 5 on 5/21 were late; 15 at Aragon, Catron Co., 3/23 (both JPH, EE)

CALIFORNIA GULL -- 10 at Morgan L. 4/11 and 2 on 5/22 (TR) 2 at Eagle Nest L. 5/27 and 3 on Stubblefield L. 5/28 (JPH, EE); 20, mostly adults, at Jemez Canyon Dam, Sandoval Co, 4/12 (J. Baird); and 1 on Holloman L. 4/25 (CS, Ted Floyd)

CASPIAN TERN -- Unusual: 2 at Avalon L. 5/8 (TJH, fide SW)

COMMON TERN -- A possible at Springer L. 5/28 (CR*).

BLACK SKIMMER -- Unusual: 1 adult* ranging from Long Point to Hot Springs Landing at EBL on 5/1 (LG**, CD) was the first verified N.M. record.

BAND-TAILED PIGEON -- Widespread in the southern mountains in April and May (SOW).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE -- Breeding: seem to be established in Albuquerque with 2 to 8 in 4 areas, nesting observed (BO, AS, T.Bulow, GFr);...several were at Animas Creek on the Ladder Ranch 5/28 (SOW); 1 in Hillsboro, 5/18 (SOW); seen in the Cookes Range 5/4 (JPH, RWD) and San Andres NWR in April and May (MW); 2 at the San Simon Cienega 4/22-24 (JPH+). In the 1950s they were found in the state only at Las Cruces.

INCA DOVE -- Singles in Albuquerque 5/15-16 (BO), calling in Glenwood 3/15 (BM), and in Silver City 5/5-9 (EL).

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO -- 1 at Mangas Springs 4/21, 4/25 was early (RF); 1 on Animas Creek, Ladder Ranch, 5/28 (SOW).

GREATER ROADRUNNER -- Numbers up in the southwest (RF).

FLAMMULATED OWL -- 10 counted in the Sandia Mts. 5/1 (JP, CB, AK); 1 at the San Simon Cienega 4/23-24 (JPH).

WHISKERED SCREECH-OWL -- 6 territorial males were found 5/8 to 5/11 in 3 Peloncillo Mts. canyons (SOW).

GREAT HORNED OWL -- Breeding: nests found at the Petroglyph NM near Albuquerque 5/2 (HS) and at Mangas Springs (RF).

SPOTTED OWL -- 1 in the Zuni Mts. 5/9 (DC).

LONG-EARED OWL -- Breeding: a nest at Zuni 5/16-23 with 1 downy young (DC**);...an adult was in Clovis, Curry Co., (press** 4/16); 1 on the Bosque NWR 4/16 (GE, no details).

SHORT-EARED OWL -- 1 at Morgan L. 3/6 (TR*).

NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL -- 1 heard in the Sandia Mts. 5/1 (JP, CB, AK); 2 were calling both nights in Bridge Canyon in the Sacramento Mts., 4/28-29 (CB).

WHIP-POOR-WILL -- Singles heard in Cienega 5/3 and Tecolote Canyons 5/29 in the Sandia Mts. (HS); several calling in Bridge Canyon, Sacramento Mts., 4/28-29 (CB); 1 in Rocky Canyon in the Gila NF 5/5, Catron Co., (JPH, RWD).

CHIMNEY SWIFT -- 1 to 3 over the NMMI campus in Roswell 4/12 to 5/8 (SB+).

WHITE-THROATED SWIFT -- Early was 1 near Pilar 3/19 (PRS), 5 at Bandelier NM 3/11 (M.Cash, CR), over Whitewater Canyon at Glenwood 3/14 (BM); with 3 in Mills Canyon 3/15 (CR) and 10 5/28-30 (JPH, EE). 1 near Leyba 5/16 (JPH, EE) and 6+ near

Newkirk on 5/18 (JPH, RWD) were east of its usual range. 2 to 6 over the NMSU campus in Las Cruces in mid-May (CS); at Rattlesnake Springs 2 on 5/29 plus 4 on 5/31 (SW).

BROAD-BILLED HUMMINGBIRD -- Breeding: a female on a nest in Guadalupe Canyon 3/31 (AMC, NMC), 2 young were fledged eventually.

BERYLLINE HUMMINGBIRD -- Unusual: the first N.M. sighting was a female present in Guadalupe Canyon 5/24-25 (AMC, NMC, excellent photos and details).

MAGNIFICENT HUMMINGBIRD -- A male that wintered in Silver City was last seen 3/13, while 2 were at another feeder in the city 5/8 (fide RF). A male was in Guadalupe Canyon on 4/15 (T.Hadley, fide NMC), and a female was elsewhere in the Peloncillo Mts. 4/12-13 (DC, no details).

LUCIFER HUMMINGBIRD -- Regular only in the Peloncillo Mts. since 1991, it returned to Post Office Canyon 3/23, with 6 to 8 present through May (RS). A pair was in another canyon 5/21 (LG, TH).

BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD -- Breeding: a nest at Bloomfield, San Juan Co, on 5/26 (TR). A female was building a nest at Carlsbad 5/10 (D. and J. Hoffman).

ANNA'S HUMMINGBIRD -- An apparent territorial male was in the Peloncillo Mts. 3/19 (GE*), 3/31 (CB), 4/10 (JP), and 5/21 (LG, TH). Several were in Guadalupe Canyon 3/4 to 5/2 (JP, AMC, NMC).

COSTA'S HUMMINGBIRD -- Unusual: An impressive showing in Guadalupe Canyon with up to 7 seen 3/30 through May (CB, Jim Black**, JP, AMC, NMC, LG+). Breeding was suspected. 1 male was in Post Office Canyon 5/24 and 5/30 (RS). Irregular in N.M., it was last seen in these canyons in 1981.

ELEGANT TROGON -- Present in the Peloncillo Mts. for the third consecutive year with a male 4/13 (DC*), a female 4/20 and 2 males 5/10-11 (SOW) and 5/21 (LG, TH).

LEWIS' WOODPECKER -- 4 at Springer L. 5/28 (CR); a pair in Mills Canyon 5/31 (HS); 2 or 3 at El Malpais Natl. Conservation Area near Grants, Cibola Co., 4/17 (DM); 1 at Cuba, Sandoval Co., on 4/11 (J. Baird); 1 on 3/21 and 2 4/4 near Zuni; 1 or 2 near Los Lunas 4/26 (DL, CB).

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER -- 1 near Montoya 5/18 and 2 at Logan 5/19 (JPH, RWD); 1 at the migrant trap w. of Melrose and 3 or 4 Boone's Draw 5/22 (JP, CR); 1 Carlsbad 5/19 (fide SW*).

GILA WOODPECKER -- 1 or 2 at the San Simon Cienega 4/10 (JP) and 4/22-24 (JPH+).

RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER -- Unusual: a female in Boone's Draw 5/14 (JP, good*). Verified in the state only in 1990.

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER -- A female at Glenwood 3/25 was west of its range (JPH, EE). The wintering bird at Bosque NWR was last seen 3/13 (JP).

RED-BREASTED SAPSUCKER -- Unusual: a "yellow-bellied sapsucker with brilliant red head and breast and wing stripe" in Water Canyon 3/6 (J. Karo). Still unverified in N.M.

THREE-TOED WOODPECKER -- A female was on Sandia Crest on 4/1 (PES).

NORTHERN BEARDLESS-TYRANNULET -- Present from March to May in Guadalupe Canyon, with 5 or 6 on 4/9 (AMC, NMC).

OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER -- Numerous on the e. plains on 5/22 with 5 in Boone's Draw and 4 or 5 at the migrant trap w. of Melrose (JP, CR). 1 at Leyba 5/16 (JPH, EE).

LEAST FLYCATCHER -- Unusual: 1 probable in Boone's Draw 5/14 (JP*). It's a scarce migrant in the state.

GRAY FLYCATCHER -- 11 at Bandelier NM 4/24 (CR); 1 singing near Leyba 5/16 (JPH, EE); 2 at the Datil Well CG, Catron Co., 5/31 (DM); 3 at the San Simon Cienega 4/22-23 (RWD***); 1 at Rattlesnake Springs on 5/9 (Jon L. Dunn).

CORDILLERAN FLYCATCHER -- A "Western type" was at the migrant trap w. of Melrose on 5/22 (JP*, CR).

EASTERN PHOEBE -- 1 at Las Vegas 3/25 (CR) was early; 1 at Mills Canyon 5/31 and 6/1 (HS) may have been summering; 1 at Rattlesnake Springs on 4/10 (J. Dunn).

BROWN-CRESTED FLYCATCHER -- At least 1 was early at the San Simon Cienega 4/23-24 (JPH).

EASTERN KINGBIRD -- 1 to 3 at Kirtland, San Juan Co., 5/22 (TR) where it has nested; 2 near Miami, Colfax Co., 5/27 (JPH+); 2 at the migrant trap w. of Melrose 5/22 (JP, CR).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER -- Out of range were singles n. of Endee, Quay Co., 5/19 (JPH, RWD), at Stanley, Santa Fe Co., on 5/23 (SOW), and at White Sands NM, Otero Co., 5/31 (JM*).

PURPLE MARTIN -- A pair near Leyba 5/16 (JPH, EE); 4 s. of Reserve in the Gila NF 5/30-31 (DM); 2 pairs at a snag on the Signal Peak road, Grant Co., 5/11 and 5/21 (RF); a high count of 30 at Sacramento L., Otero Co., 4/27 and 4/29 (CB); a male was in the Animas Mts. at Cistern Saddle 5/10 (SOW).

VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW -- 1 or 2 in Mills Canyon 5/28-30 and 3 at nest holes in pines near Leyba on 5/16 (both JPH, EE).

NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW -- 1 at Quemado L., Catron Co., 3/27 and 5 at Bill Evans L. 3/26 (JPH, EE). 1 was in Guadalupe Canyon as early as 3/9 (AMC, NMC).

BANK SWALLOW -- A colony of 200 to 300 at Calabacillos

Arroyo, Bernalillo Co., 4/25 (HS) may be jeopardized by future construction and dirt-bike activities. This is just north of Paradise Hills, Albuquerque.

CAVE SWALLOW -- On 5/24 and 5/28 about 10 returned to the irrigation canal bridge near La Union, Doña Ana Co., (BZ**) where they were first discovered last year.

STELLER'S JAY -- The status in the San Andres Mts. at the NWR is poorly understood. It was found on April surveys at Goat Mt., but not in May (MW).

BLUE JAY -- A high of 24 at Fort Sumner 3/6 (CR).

PINYON JAY -- Beyond the usual range limits on 5/18 were 25 with 2+ fledglings near Cuervo and heard near Montoya with 2+ s. of San Jon 5/18-19 (all JPH, RWD); 19+ were near Leyb; 5/16 (JPH, EE); 10 near White Oaks, Lincoln Co., 3/26 (GS+)

BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE -- Breeding: successfully expanding southward along the Rio Grande and Pecos drainages with at least 2 active nests at Bernalillo 4/4 (Bill Willard**); ...1-2 adults at Dilia, Guadalupe Co., 3/6 and 3/17 (CR) and 2 near Villanueva, San Miguel Co., 5/16 (JPH, EE).

AMERICAN CROW -- 1 in Carlsbad 4/3 (SW, no details).

raven species -- Near Stanley in Santa Fe Co. four active nests of Common Ravens were found along with 12 nests of Chihuahuan Ravens, most of them on power line towers (B. Willard).

COMMON RAVEN -- Breeding: nesting in desert scrub e. of the San Simon Cienega 4/23 (JPH);...Found east to Tucumcari, San Jon, Cuervo, Montoya, and Logan 5/17-19 (JPH, RWD).

BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE -- 2+ 5/31 in the Rio Grande bosque at Belen, Valencia Co. (LG, CD), at so. edge of its range.

BUSHTIT -- 5 were near Fort Sumner 3/6 (CR).

CACTUS WREN -- Breeding: a pair near a nest in a cholla on 4/30 10 miles w. of Socorro on US 60 (CB);...1 at Conchas L. 3/24-25 (MP); 2 singing birds and 2 nest structures w. of Tucumcari on 3/19 (CR).

MARSH WREN -- 2 at Quemado L., Catron Co., 3/27 (JPH, EE).

BLACK-TAILED GNATCATCHER -- 1 adult male 4/23 and a female 4/28 were banded 20 miles ne. of Orogrande (N. Mathews).

EASTERN BLUEBIRD -- Breeding: present in the Cliff/Gila area: 3/15 to 4/24 (RF, J. Takamine*, v.o.); there may be 3 to 4 nesting pairs in the Gila Valley (RF);...1 male at Cuervo 5/18 (JPH, RWD); 14 at Fort Sumner 3/6 (CR).

MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD -- 8 were at Ute L. SP on 3/19 (CR).

GRAY CATBIRD -- 10 in Cimarron Canyon, Colfax Co., 5/28 (CR); 1 at Percha SP 5/29 (BZ*) was late.

BROWN THRASHER -- 1 at the Melrose migrant trap 5/22 (JP, CR); 1 in Las Cruces 3/24 to 4/17 (GE*, CS, v.o.).

CURVE-BILLED THRASHER -- 1 at Cuervo 5/18 (JPH, RWD) and at Tatum, Lea Co., 3/25 with 4 at the Waldrop Road Rest e. of Roswell in Chaves Co., 3/25 (both CR).

CRISSAL THRASHER -- Breeding: a nest at Petroglyph NM near Albuquerque on 3/35, young near fledging 4/20 (HS).

AMERICAN PIPIT -- 1 at Bosque NWR on 5/29 (JP, LG) was late.

SPRAGUE'S PIPIT -- Unusual: 1 possible seen briefly at Bosque NWR 4/8 (RT*, C. Tueber).

CEDAR WAXWING -- Widespread in small numbers all spring (v.o). About 300 were in Roswell through April (SB); 42 at Silver City 4/6 (EL); and 1 on the Jornada Range 5/19 (CS).

PHAINOPEPLA -- 1 male at Sevilleta NWR, Socorro Co., 3/11 (RT, PB); 2 near Socorro 4/30 and 5/29 (JP, LG); 2 on 4/30 (EL) and 4 pairs 5/30 (RF) near Bill Evans L.; 1 female in the Cookes Range area 5/26 (SOW); 1 at Williamsburg on 5/4 (JPH, RWD); at 4 locales in the San Andres NWR in May (MW).

NORTHERN SHRIKE -- 1 near Navajo L. dam 3/7 (BV) and an immature at Zuni 3/7-8 (DC**).

BELL'S VIREO -- Singles at Williamsburg 5/4 (JPH, RWD) and at Las Palomas 4/28 (GF), at Percha SP 4/30 and 5/8 (RM) and Rincon 4/30 (RM). They're scarce in the Rio Grande Valley. 4+ at the San Simon Cienega 4/21-24 (JPH) with a high of 15 at Rattlesnake Springs 5/8 (SW, Lori Bush).

GRAY VIREO -- A significant population in the Manzano Mts. w. foothills at 5800 to 6200 feet in open juniper woods on Kirtland AFB, 22 territorial males 5/4-31 with nest building 5/20 (CB). 5 were singing in the Cookes Range 5/5 (JPH).

YELLOW-THROATED VIREO -- Unusual: 1 at Boone's Draw 5/22 (CR*, JP*, good details).

HUTTON'S VIREO -- 1 or 2 in the Pueblo Park area, San Francisco Mts., 5/4-5 (SOW); 2 were singing in the Burro Mts., Grant Co., 3/17 (DM); and 1 was singing on the NMSU campus in Las Cruces 3/18 (CS).

RED-EYED VIREO -- 1 was at Rattlesnake Springs 5/8 (SW+, no details).

TENNESSEE WARBLER -- 1 female at Rattlesnake Springs 5/9 (Jon Dunn, excellent details).

LUCY'S WARBLER -- Unusual: far northeast of the usual range was a possible adult at the Las Vegas NWR 5/2 (C. Brozek*), a day after a blizzard swept the area.
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NORTHERN PARULA -- Unusual: 1 female seen at Rattlesnake Springs 5/9 (Jon Dunn, excellent details).

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER -- A male at Corrales 5/1 (CR*).

MAGNOLIA WARBLER -- Unusual: single males at Boone's Draw 5/14-15 (JP*, S.Cox), and at Rattlesnake Springs 5/13 (JP*).

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER -- 2 Myrtle's forms were at Bernalillo 5/2 (RWD) and 3 near Albuquerque 5/8 (DM+).

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER -- A male in Albuquerque 4/26 (AS); 1 on Animas Creek, Sierra Co., 5/8 (CS); and 2 at Percha SP 5/8 (JP, LG, CB).

YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER -- Unusual: 1 probable at White Sands NM, Otero Co., 4/28 (JM*), first local record.

GRACE'S WARBLER -- Not often found in the lowlands, 1 was in the Corrales bosque on 5/1 (CR). An early male was at Cloudcroft, Otero Co., on 4/7 (J. Dunn).

PALM WARBLER -- Unusual: singles at Eldorado near Santa Fe 5/8 (BF*) and Boone's Draw 5/14-15 (JP*, Steve Cox).

BAY-BREASTED WARBLER -- Unusual: a female at Rattlesnake Springs 5/13 (JP, extensive details).

BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER -- 1 female at Corrales 4/25 and a male at Rattlesnake Springs 5/16 (both CR+).

AMERICAN REDSTART -- A male in Water Canyon 4/30 (CB).

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER -- Unusual: 1 female at Rattlesnake Springs 5/28 (SW*, TJH).

WORM-EATING WARBLER -- Unusual: 1 at Rattlesnake Springs 5/13 (JP, good details).

OVENBIRD -- The only report was at Percha SP 5/16 (BV).

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH -- 1 to 4 at 5 locations in the Rio Grande corridor and at Rattlesnake Springs 5/1-16 (v.o.).

HOODED WARBLER -- A female* along the Rio Chama north of Dark Canyon, Rio Arriba Co., 5/25 (DM+).

WILSON'S WARBLER -- 1 was early at Mesilla Dam 4/3 (RM).

RED-FACED WARBLER -- Breeding: common in Copper Canyon, Magdalena Mts., 5/5 to 5/19 from 7400 to 8400 feet (HS); more than 8 singing along the Sacramento R. 4/27-29, a new Otero Co. locale. (CB).

PAINTED REDSTART -- Peripherals were 2+ singing in Sawmill Canyon, Magdalena Mts. 5/11 (HS) and 1 at Dripping Springs in the Organ Mts., Doña Ana Co., 3/20 (fide CS).

OLIVE WARBLER -- Breeding: nesting in the Pinos Altos Mts. 5/11-21 (RF);...1 in the San Francisco Mts. 5/5 (SOW); a pair in the Mogollon Mts. near Apache Peak s. of Reserve on 5/30 (DM); and 1 on Emory Pass in the Black Range 5/8 (CS) and 5/29 (BZ+).

HEPATIC TANAGER -- A pair on the Mesa de los Viejos, Rio Arriba Co., 5/14 (CB); a male in Mills Canyon 5/31 (HS); a single was on the San Andres NWR in April (MW) and a male at Rattlesnake Springs on 5/8 (SW).

SUMMER TANAGER -- 3 males were singing at Bernalillo 5/2 (JPH+); 1 at Corrales 4/25 and 3 on 5/1 (CR); 2 at Fort Sumner 5/22 (JP, CR, good details).

PYRRHULOXIA -- 1 near Mountainair, Torrance Co., 4/17 (T. Bulow, fide RBA); 2 near Fort Sumner 3/6 (CR); a pair at Glenwood in mid-March (BM); in the Mimbres Valley near San Lorenzo, Grant Co., a male on 4/21 (SOW) and 3 3/12 (EL).

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK -- A good showing from the Rio Grande Valley eastward with at least 10 males scattered at 7 sites 5/8-29 (v.o.). On 5/16 a female was at Rattlesnake Springs (JP, CR).

INDIGO BUNTING -- Widespread in May (v.o.). The earliest were 1 or 2 at Santa Fe 4/24 (LH), Corrales 4/25 (CR) and Roswell 4/23 (SB); 1 male was at Zuni 5/11 (DC**).

VARIED BUNTING -- At least 5 in Guadalupe Canyon 5/23 (LG, TH); 1 male singing in Walnut Canyon, Carlsbad Caverns N.P., Eddy Co., 5/31 (SW). Vagrants were a singing male near Las Palomas 4/28 (GF) and a male near Orogrande 5/10 (J. Kozma).

DICKCISSEL -- 6 singing in the Fort Sumner area 5/25 (JP, CR) was a high number.

GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE -- 1 in Boone's Draw on 5/22 (JP, CR).

ABERT'S TOWHEE -- A high of at least 12 sighted at the San Simon Cienega 4/21-24 (JPH+).

CASSIN'S SPARROW -- 2 singing in open grassland on Kirtland AFB near Albuquerque 5/19 and 5/26 (CB).

RUFIOUS-CROWNED SPARROW -- Singles were found near Montoya 5/18 (JPH, RWD) and singing w. of Tucumcari 3/19 (CR). 2 were singing in Mills Canyon 5/29 (JPH, EE).

FIELD SPARROW -- At the Waldrop Road Rest e. of Roswell, Chaves Co., 3 on 3/25 (CR*) and 1 on 4/3 (JP, CB, LG).

BLACK-CHINNED SPARROW -- 2 were singing in Tres Pistoles Canyon in the Sandia Mts. on 4/11 (DM).

LARK BUNTING -- Migrants straying west were a female to Zuni 4/10 (DC), 1 at Santa Clara Canyon 5/9 (CR), and 1 or 2 at Santa Fe on 4/24 (LH, P. Insley).

SAVANNAH SPARROW -- Small numbers at Eagle Nest L. 5/20 and singing 5/28 (JPH+) and at Maxwell NWR 5/20 (JPH, RWD) and 5/28 (CR). Present at Capulin, Union Co., 5/20 (JPH, RWD).

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW -- Relatively numerous in the northeast with 12 at the Maxwell NWR 5/28 (CR); 15 near Clayton 5/20 (JPH, RWD); 25 near Broadview/Bellview, Curry Co., 5/19 (JPH, RWD); and 1 near Floyd 5/22 (JP, CR). 1 singing at Miami, Colfax Co., 5/27 (JPH, EE) was a new locality.

FOX SPARROW -- A reddish-brown one was near Zuni 4/17 (DC*) a possible altivagans (details good).

WHITE-THROATED SPARROW -- 1 singing in Post Office Canyon 5/4-8 was late (RS).

EASTERN MEADOWLARK -- Reported as common at Kirtland AFB near Albuquerque in the Manzano Mts. foothills in late April and May; where they outnumbered the Westerns (CB).

COMMON GRACKLE -- 1 male was at Zuni 4/18 (DC**); while "numbers remained high" in Carlsbad (SW). They thrived in the e. part of N.M. west to Santa Fe and Socorro (v.o.).

BRONZED COWBIRD -- 1 at Bitter L. NWR 5/27 (B. Radke***).

ORCHARD ORIOLE -- Beyond their Rattlesnake Springs stronghold were single males at Boone's Draw 5/14-15 (JP*, CB+) and at Mesquite, Doña Ana Co., 5/19 (RM, B. Thompson).

HOODED ORIOLE -- Away from the usual haunts were 1 male at Zuni 5/20-21 (DC**); in the Cookes Range 1 or 2 on 5/4-5 (JPH, RWD) and 1 male there on 5/26 (SOW); with a pair at Animas Creek on the Ladder Ranch 5/28 (SOW).

SCOTT'S ORIOLE -- 1 singing male found in Santa Clara Canyon 5/9 (CR); 2 were at Montoya and 1 at Cuervo 5/18 (JPH, RWD)

CASSIN'S FINCH -- There were few reports with small numbers in the Zuni (DC), Sangre de Cristo (CR), and Sandia (DM, CI) mountains and 1 to 7 at Santa Fe 3/27 to 4/24 (LH).

RED CROSSBILL -- Reported in western N.M., including in the Zuni area 3/31 and 4/3 (DC); San Francisco and Tularosa ranges in Catron Co., (SOW); 5 w. of Mule Creek, Grant Co., 3/24 (JPH, EE); and in the Pinos Altos Mts. (RF, EL). On 5/31 48 were on the Reserve BBS (DM) and 7 on the Fence L. BBS, Cibola Co. (DC). To the east 8 to 10 were near Leyba 5/16 (JPH, EE).

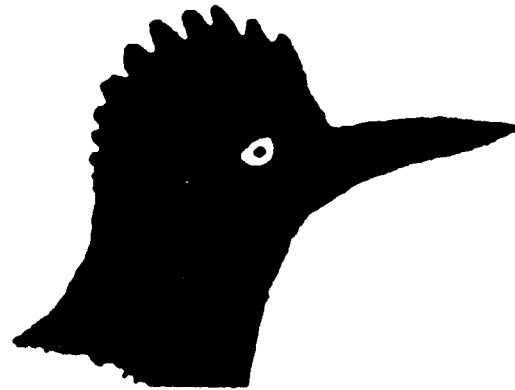
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH -- 1 male singing in Cimarron Canyon, Colfax Co., 5/28 (CR).

EVENING GROSBEAK -- Restricted to the Jemez, Sangre de Cristo, and Sandia mountains and adjacent riparian areas (v.o.), with a single male seen at Zuni on 4/2 (DC).

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