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### COMMON LOON

1 SEEN AT STONE LAKE, RIO ARRIBA CO., 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH), IS THE FIRST SUMMER RECORD FOR THE STATE.

#### EARED GREBE

NUMEROUS AT STONE AND BURFORD LAKES, RIO ARRIBA CO., 6/8-9 (JND, JPF).

#### WESTERN GREBE

A PAIR WAS SEEN AT STONE LAKE, RIO ARRIBA CO., 6/9, ONE MEMBER SITTING ON A NEST THE CONTENTS OF WHICH WERE NOT DETERMINED (JND, WWH, JPF); THIS CONSTITUTES THE FIRST BREEDING RECORD FOR THE STATE.

#### \*PIED-BILLED GREBE

NESTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK) AND IN RIO ARRIBA CO. (JND); A PAIR AND AN EMPTY NEST FOUND NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., 6/27 (JPH).

\*GREAT BLUE HERON

NESTED IN MORA (WH), CATRON (RAF), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

#### GREEN HERON

SINGLE ADULTS SEEN NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., 6/27 (JPH), AND NEAR ESPANOLA ON 9/2 (PRS).

# \*SNOWY EGRET

NESTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK); 4 AT BEAL STATE GAME REFUGE, DONA ANA CO., 1 NEAR HATCH, ABOUT 50 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR, AND 2 NEAR BELEM, ALL 7/28 (PRS).

### \*BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

AN IMMATURE, NOT YET FULLY FEATHERED AND UNABLE TO FLY WELL, WAS SEEN NEAR BUCKHORN, GRANT CO., ON 6/22 AND 6/25 (JPH); 4 WERE SEEN HEAR LOS LUNAS 6/15 AND OTHERS NEAR ISLETA 7/4 (JND, JPF); NESTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR).

### LEAST BITTERN

A FEMALE WAS SEEN AT THE STATE GAME FARM NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., ON 6/27; IT FLUSHED FROM CATTAILS, WAS BLOWN INTO THE WATER BY A GUST OF WIND, AND THEN ROSE AND FLEW AWAY (JPH).

#### WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE

AN IMMATURE WAS AT BITTER LAKE NWR 10/18 (VM) AND A VERY HIGH NUMBER OF 10 WAS AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 11/20 (RWR).

#### SNOW GOOSE

AN IMMATURE WAS SEEN NEAR ESPANOLA ON 11/3, AND 2 ADULTS WERE THERE LATER THE SAME WEEK (WBL).

BLUE GOOSE

35 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR on 11/20 (RWR) AND 20 AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/18 (VM) ARE HIGH NUMBER\$.

#### BLACK-BELLIED TREE DUCK

2 ADULTS WERE OBSERVED CLOSELY AT THE STATE GAME FARM NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., ON 6/27, BOTH STANDING IN THE MARSH AND IN FLIGHT (JPH <u>ET AL</u>); THE PINKISH RED FEET AND BILL, GENERAL RUFOUS COLORATION, BLACK POSTERIOR UNDERPARTS, AND EXTENSIVE WHITE IN THE UPPER SIDE OF THE WING WERE CLEARLY NOTED. THIS IS THE SECOND RECORD FOR THE STATE, THE FIRST BEING FROM EDDY CO., 1951.

### \*MALLARD

NESTING RECORDED IN SAN MIGUEL (WH, ES), CATRON (JPH), SOCORRO (EVK), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES, AND A FEMALE THAT FEIGNED A BROKEN WING NEAR ESPANOLA ON 6/2 MAY ALSO HAVE BEEN BREEDING (PRS); A PAIR AT THE STATE GAME FARM NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., ON 6/27 (JPH).

### \*MEXICAN DUCK

NESTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR WHERE ONE BROOD WAS SEEN (EVK); ONE SEEN AT THE STATE GAME FARM NEAR RED ROCK ON 6/27 (JPH) WHERE A BROOD OF THIS DUCK OR A MALLARD WAS SEEN EARLIER (GH).

# GADWALL

REPORTED IN JUNE AT LAS VEGAS (ES), A FEMALE NEAR RED ROCK ON 6/27 (JPH), 2 NEAR LAS VEGAS ON 7/14 (WH), AND 4-5 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 7/28 (PRS).

### PINTAIL

A PAIR WAS SEEN NEAR BEAVERHEAD, CATRON CO., 6/27 (DMN).

### GREEN-WINGED TEAL

A MALE NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., 6/14 (JPH).

# \*BLUE-WINGED TEAL

A NEST CONTAINING 9 EGGS HATCHED SUCCESSFULLY AT THE STATE GAME FARM NEAR RED ROCK, GRANT CO., IN JUNE (GH) AND WAS IDENTIFIED BY GAME AND FISH PERSONNEL AS THIS SPECIES; ALTHOUGH A PAIR WAS SEEN THERE ON 6/27 (JPH), THE POSSIBILITY CANNOT BE RULED OUT THAT THE NEST MIGHT HAVE BEER THAT OF A CINAMON TEAL. ONE BROOD REPORTED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK).

# CINNAMON TEAL

3 MALES AND 2 FEMALES WERE SEEN ON 6/14 AND 5 PAIR on 6/27 AT THE STATE GAME FARM NEAR RED ROCK (JPH) AND MAY HAVE NESTED THERE (SEE BLUE-WINGED TEAL); 2 PAIR AT SAN YSIDRO, SANDOVAL CO., 6/23 (PRS); 2 PAIR AT APACHE CREEK, CATRON CO., 6/7 (JPH); SEEN AT DEXTER FISH HATCHERY AND AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 7/21 (JND ET AL).

AMERICAN WIDGEON

A MALE NEAR RED ROCK ON 6/27 (JPH).

### SHOVELER

PAIR NEAR SAN YSIDRO, SANDOVAL CO., 6/23 (PRS).

#### WOOD DUCK

3 REPORTED TAKEN BY HUNTERS DURING AUTUMN SEASON AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (RWR).

### \*REDHEAD

A BROOD REPORTED FROM BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK); 2 PAIR AT STONE LAKE, RIO ARRIBA CO., 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH); PEAK OF 400 AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., ON 10/24 AND 11/9 (APN).

RING-NECKED DUCK

PEAK OF 600 AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., ON 11/3 (APN).

## CANVASBACK

PAIR AT STONE LAKE, RIO ARRIBA CO., 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH); PEAK OF 250 AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., 11/3 (APN).

#### BUFFLEHEAD

PEAKS OF 700 AT LAS VEGAS ON 11/30 (ES) AND 100 PLUS AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., ON 11/3 (APN).

# RUDDY DUCK

A MALE NEAR RED ROCK ON 6/14 (JPH), 5 FEMALES AND 1 MALE ON A POND NEAR BUCKHORN, GRANT CO., ON 6/7 (JPH) AND 1 AT LOS ALAMOS ON 6/4 (PRS) WERE TRANSIENTS; PEAKS OF 1400 AT MORGAN LAKE ON 11/23 (APN), 300 AT STORRIE LAKE, SAN MIGUEL CO., ON 9/29 (DR, WCT), AND 645 AT LAKE MCMILLAN ON 10/22 (SW).

# \*COMMON MERGANSER

1 SEEN AT EAGLE NEST LAKE, COLFAX CO., ON 6/27 (CAH); SINGLE BROODS OF SMALL YOUNG, ESCORTED BY FEMALE IN EACH CASE, WERE SEEN CLOSELY AT FRISCO HOT SPRINGS, CATRON CO., ON 6/3, AND ON THE GILA RIVER-MOGOLLON CREEK JUNCTURE ON 6/6 (JPH). THERE ARE FEW BREEDING RECORDS FOR THE STATE.

### MISSISSIPPI KITE

RECORDED THREE TIMES IN APRIL AND MAY IN ROSWELL, WHERE NO NESTING WAS OBSERVED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 6 YEARS (VM).

#### ZONE-TAILED HAWK

ONLY FOUR RECORDS SCATTERED OVER THREE COUNTIES.

#### BLACK HAWK

AN ADULT CIRCLING OVER GLENWOOD ON 6/11 (JPH); 4 TO 6 ADULTS IN THE CLIFF AREA IN JUNE, BUT NONE FOUND AT RED ROCK (JPH, DAZ); 1, POSSIBLY 2 IN THE VIRDEN AREA IN JUNE (JPH).

### MARSH HAWK

A FEMALE SEEN NEAR MORIARTY, SANTA FE CO., ON 6/2 (DMN).

#### PEREGRINE FALCON

ONLY ONE RECORD.

#### BLUE GROUSE

A FEMALE AND A FEATHERED CHICK SEEN IN SAN CRISTOBAL CANON, TAOS CO., ON 7/21 (WH).

### BOBWHIITE

1 SEEM IN NE ALBUQUERQUE ON 10/6 (DDL) IS PROBABLY AN ESCAPE.

# SCALED QUAIL

18 IN LOS ALAMOS ON 11/28 (PRS) IS UNUSUALLY HIGH AT 7500' AND HABITAT I.E. PINE FOREST, FOR THIS SPECIES.

### \*GAMBLE'S QUAIL

NESTING RECORDED IN SOCORRO (JND <u>ET AL</u>) GRANT (RAF, JPH), AND LUNA (JPH) COUNTIES.

#### \*TURKEY

NESTING RECORDED IN CATRON (RAF, MCK) AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES; 2 HENS SEEN IN THE BURRO MTS. ALONG HIGHWAY 90, 18 MILES FROM LORDSBURG (RAF).

# SANDHILL CRANE

PEAKS WERE 3000 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 10/30 (RWR) AND 74,000 AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 10/29, THE LATTER DROPPING TO 20,000 ON 11/12 AFTER HUNTING SEASON OPENED 11/2 (D.L.BOGGS, VM, <u>ET AL</u>); ALSO RECORDED NEAR SAN ILDEFONSO, MANY ON 10/16 (F.MONTOYA, FIDE PRS); CEDAR CREST, 75-85 ON 11/19 MCK AND AVALON LAKE, EDDY CO., 20 ON 10/22 (RAF).

# VIRGINIA RAIL

1 AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 9/27 (VM) WHERE THE SPECIES IS SCARCE.

# SORA

1 HEARD NEAR CLIFF ON 6/27 (JPH).

#### \*AMERICAN COOT

NESTING RECORDED IN CATRON (RAF, JPH, PRS), SOCORRO (EVK) AND GRANT (RAF, JPH) COUNTIES, AND REPORTED IN SUMMER AT LAS VEGAS (WH, ES); PEAKS WERE 7500 AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., 11/3 AND 4000 AT LAS VEGAS ON 11/30 (ES).

SEMIPALMATED PLOVER

1 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 9/3-5 (RWR).

# \*KILLDEER

NESTING RECORDED QUAY (JPH), SOCORRO (EVK), GRANT AND HIDALGO (JPH) COUNTIES.

#### \*MOUNTAIN PLOVER

NESTING RECORDED IN DE BACA AND VALENCIA (DMN) COUNTIES.

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER

1 AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., ON 10/6 (APN).

LONG-BILLED CURLEW

HEARD ON 6/22 (VM); 16 SEEN 7/12 (JHS) IN THE ROSWELL AREA.

#### UPLAND PLOVER

HEARD CALLING, INCLUDING AT NIGHT, 7/19, 8/11, AND MANY OTHER TIMES, AND SEEN IN GROUPS of 3 TO 7 FROM 8/22 TO 9/14 IN THE ROSWELL AREA (VM).

## \*SPOTTED SANDPIPER

NESTING RECORDED IN SAN MIGUEL CO. (WM), AND SUMMER REPORTS FROM GILA VALLEY NEAR CLIFF, SEVERAL IN JUNE (JPH); FRISCO HOT SPRINGS, 1 ON 6/3 (JPH); DEXTER FISH HATCHERY, 6-7 ON 7/20 (JND <u>ET AL</u>); AND BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR, 3 on 7/28 (PRS).

#### SOLITARY SANDPIPER

SEEN IN LAS VEGAS IN EARLY JUNE (ES), AND 3 AT BEAL REFUGE, DONA ANA CO., ON 7/28 (PRS).

### WILLET

1 AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 7/28 (PRS).

GREATER YELLOWLEGS

SEVERAL AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 7/21 (JND ET AL).

BAIRD'S SANDPIPER

10 AT ESPANOLA ON 9/2 (PRS).

LEAST SANDPIPER

7-8 on 7/20 AND 12 ON 7/21 AT DEXTER FISH HATCHERY (JND ET AL).

### WESTERN SANDPIPER

SEEN AT DEXTER FISH HATCHERY ON 7/21 (JND <u>ET AL</u>); 6 ON STORRIE LAKE, SAN MIGUEL CO., 9/29 (DR, WCT); AND SEEN 35 MILES SOUTH OF HACHITA ON 9/24 (RAF).

### SANDERLING

1 REPORTED FROM BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 10/7 (RWR).

### \*AMERICAN AVOCET

BRED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK), AND THE SPECIES WAS PHOTOGRAPHED ON A DRY LAKE WEST OF LORDSBURG ON 6/22 (RAF).

RING-BILLED GULL

4 AT LAKE MCMILLAN ON 7/19 (JND <u>ET AL</u>); OTHER REPORTS FROM SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER IN SAN JUAN (APN) AND SAN MIGUEL (DR, ES, WCT) COUNTIES.

BONAPARTE'S GULL

SEEN AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., 10/24 (APN).

FORSTERS TERN

SEEN AT BITTER LAKE NWR ON 7/21 (JND <u>ET AL</u>), AND 10 SEEN AT STORRIE LAKE, SAN MIGUEL CO., ON 9/29 (DR. WCT).

### BLACK TERN

SEEN AT LAS VEGAS 7/26 (ES); BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR, 20 ON 7/27 (CAH); SEEN AT DEXTER FISH HATCHERY ON 7/20 (JND <u>ET AL</u>); AT LAKE MCMILLAN, 15 ON 7/19 AND 20 PLUS ON 7/20 (JND <u>ET AL</u>). RECORDED IN AUGUST IN LAS VEGAS (ES), AT LAKE ROBERTS, AND 35 MILES SOUTH OF HACHITA (RAF); RECORDED AT MORGAN LAKE, SAN JUAN CO., 3 ON 9/3 (APN).

### \*BAND-TAILED PIGEON

A NEST RECORDED IN HIDALGO CO. (S.V. JONES); PRESENT IN MOVERATE NUMBERS IN MOST SUITABLE AREAS OF THE NORTH AND SOUTHWEST.

### \*ROCK DOVE

A NEST RECORDED FROM A FERAL PAIR IN SOCORRO CO. (CAH).

### WHITE-WINGED DOVE

SEEN ALONG THE GILA IN SMALL NUMBERS IN JUNE, FROM VIRDEN NORTH TO THE AREA SOUTH OF CLIFF (JPH); SEEN AT RATTLESNAKE SPRINGS, EDDY CO., ON 7/19 (JND <u>ET</u> AL).

# \*MOURNING DOVE

NESTING RECORDED IN UNION (SAR), SANDOVAL (GC), SANTA FE (CAH), VALENCIA (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH), TORRANCE (CAH), GRANT (RAF, JPH, DAZ), AND HIDALGO (DMN) COUNTIES.

### INCA DOVE

3 SEEM AT VIRDEN ON 6/8 (JPH); ONE PHOTOGRAPHED AT SILVER CITY IN SEPTEMBER (DAZ).

#### YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO

EARLIEST ARRIVALS IN AREAS WITH EXTENDED FIELD WORK WERE: 11 JUNE, SILVER CITY (DAZ); 12 JUNE, CLIFF (DAZ); 12 JUNE, RED ROCK (JPH); AND APPARENTLY 14 JUNE, ROSWELL (VM).

#### \*ROADRUNNER

NESTING REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (GC) AND SOCORRO (EVK) COUNTIES.

\*FLAMMULATED OWL

A NEST CONTAINING 4 SMALL YOUNG FOUND AT PINOS ALTOS, GRANT CO., ON 6/9 (CH, DAZ); AT LEAST 2 HEARD AT LOS ALAMOS ON 7/17 AND 7/19, AND A DEAD ONE OBTAINED THERE ON 7/22 (PRS).

\*GREAT HORNED OWL

NESTS FOUND IN SANDOVAL (JLD) AND GRANT (RAF) COUNTIES.

# PYGMY OWL

1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST ON 9/2 (MCK), AND THERE WERE OTHER AUTUMN REPORTS OF SINGLE BIRDS FROM LAWRENCE RANCH, TAOS CO., (CAH), S.U.CANON NEAR RESERVE (MCK), AND GALLINAS CANON NEAR SAN LORENZO (RAF).

### ELF OWL

NUMBERS SEEMED DOWN IN THE CLIFF AREA, AND NONE FOUND AT RED ROCK OR VIRDEN ON SEVERAL NIGHTS IN JUNE (JPH).

# \*BURROWING OWL

NESTING WAS RECORDED FROM SANDOVAL CO. (GC) AND FROM THE DEMING HURLEY AREA (DAZ), AND 2 IMMATURES WERE AT A BURROW IN SANTA FE (PRS); OTHER SUMMER RECORDS WERE FROM LOS LUNAS (JND, JPF), CARRIZOZO (PRS).

#### SAW-WHET OWL

1 WAS SEEN AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, COLFAX CO., ON 8/18 (RAR), AND ONE WAS FOUND DEAD AT LOS ALAMOS ON 11/27 (WBL).

<u>\*COMMON NIGHTHAWK</u> NESTING RECORDED IN SAN MIGUEL (ES) AND BERNALILLO (JL) COUNTIES.

LESSER NIGHTHAWK

1 SEEN CLEARLY AT SILVER CITY 6/11 (DAZ) WHERE THE SPECIES IS CASUAL.

# CHIMNEY SWIFT

3 SWIFTS THOUGHT TO BE THIS SPECIES WERE SEEN AT CARLSBAD ON 10/22 (SW); "BLACK-COLORED" SWIFTS SEEN OVER CLAYTON ON 9/11-13 (WC) MAY ALSO BE THIS SPECIES, ALTHOUGH THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT THE BLACK SWIFT MAY OCCUR THERE OCCASIONALLY.

<u>\*BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD</u> NESTING WAS RECORDED IN SANDOVAL (PRS), GRANT (RAF), AND HIDALGO (DAZ) COUNTIES.

# \*BROAD-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD

NESTING WAS RECORDED IN SAN MIGUEL CO. (WH, ES).

### RUFOUS HUMMINGBIRD

EARLY SIGHTINGS WERE: 27 JUNE, LAS VEGAS (ES); 28 JUNE, IMMATURE MALE IN THE PINOS ALTOS MTS. (JPH); 30 JUNE, A MALE AT CHAMA (ENW), AND A MALE AT CIMARRON BALDY, COLFAX CO., (RAR); 15 JULY AT ROSWELL (VM).

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD

EARLY SIGHTINGS WERE 2 MALES AT CHAMA 7/17 (ENW) AND A REPORT OF THE SPECIES AT CLOUDCROFT SKI AREA 7/19 (JND, ET AL).

#### VIOLET-CROWNED HUMMINGBIRD

NOT SEEN IN GUADALUPE CANON HIDALGO CO., ON 5/27-29 (DAZ) BUT PRESENT ON THE ARIZONA SIDE ON 6/18 (BAM) AND 8/10 (R.J.WALL) AND ON THE NEW MEXICO SIDE ON 7/5 (R.G.MCCASKIE).

#### BELTED KINGFISHER

SUMMER RECORDS WERE: SEEN ON THE CHAMA RIVER ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH); 1 AT ALAMEDA ON 6/14 (CAH), AND SEEN AT DEXTER FISH HATCHERY ON 7/20 (JND, ET AL).

### \*RED-SHAFTED FLICKER

NESTING REPORTED IN SAN MIGUEL (EGR), AND GRANT (PRS) COUNTIES, AND 2 YOUNG WERE SEEN AT JEMEZ SPRINGS IN JULY (MBS).

\*GILA WOODPECKER

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN GRANT (RAF, JPH) AND HIDALGO (DAZ) COUNTIES.

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER

1 SUMMERED AT CLAYTON, UNION CO. (WC).

LEWIS' WOODPECKER

PRESENT IN MODERATE NUMBERS IN AREAS OF USUAL OCCURENCE DURING THE SUMMER AND AUTUMN.

### \*YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER

NESTING REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (PRS), SAN MIGUEL (EGR), CATRON (MCK), SOCORRO (MCK), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

# \*WILLIAMSON'S SAPUSCKER

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (PRS) AND CATRON (MCK) COUNTIES, AND ON 7/18 AN IMMATURE WAS FOUND DEAD IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS).

# \*HAIRY WOODPECKER

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SAN MIGUEL (ES), BERNALILLO (CAM), CATRON (MCK), AND GRANT (RAF, CH, DAZ) COUNTIES; YOUNG WERE SEEN AT JEMEZ SPRINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST (MBS).

### DOWNY WOODPECKER

SEEN AT LOS LUNAS ON 7/4 (JND, JPF), AND A PAIR AT GLENWOOD ON 7/7 (JPH); SUMMER REPORTS FROM LOS ALAMOS (PRS), LAS VEGAS (ES) AND SANDIA KNOLLS, BERNALILLO CO. (RJL).

### EASTERN KINGBIRD

1 AT CHAMA ON 7/26 (ENW); PRESENT AT LAS VEGAS IN EARLY JUNE (ES); SINGLES SEEN AT ROSWELL ON 8/29 AND 9/14 (VM).

#### \*WESTERN KINGBIRD

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (GC, JLD), SANTA FE (CAH), SAN MIGUEL (WH), SOCORRO (EVK, DMN), GRANT (RAF, PRS), HIDALGO (JPM), DONA ANA (SAR), AND EDDY (DMN, SW) COUNTIES

#### \*CASSIN'S KINGBIRD

NESTING REPORTED IN CATRON (JPH, MCK), SOCORRO (DMN), AND GRANT (JPH, DAZ) COUNTIES; 3 WERE SEEN NEAR ROSWELL ON 6/7 (VM).

### THICK-BILLED KINGBIRD

2 PAIR in NEW MEXICO PORTION OF GUADALUPE CANON, HIDALGO CO., ON 6/21 (M.PERRONE) AND 14 INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT THE CANON 6/17-18 (BAM).

#### \*WIED'S CRESTED FLYCATCHER

THE SPECIES WAS FAIRLY COMMON BUT LOCAL IN THE GILA VALLEY FROM VIRDEN TO THE MOUTH MOGOLLON CREEK IN JUNE, WITH NESTING REPORTED IN GRANT (JPH, DAZ) AND HIDALGO (JPH) COUNTIES; 8 WERE COUNTED AND 1 TAKEN AT FRISCO HOT SPRINGS on 6/3 AND A FEW WERE SEEN NEAR PLEASANTON IN THE SAN FRANCISCO VALLEY THROUGH JUNE (JPH).

# \*ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER

NESTING REPORTED IN BERNALILLO (RJL) AND GRANT (RAF, JPH) COUNTIES.

### \*BLACK PHOEBE

PAIR SEEN NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 7/4 (JND, JPF); NESTING REPORTED IN CATRON (PRS), GRANT (JPH), AND HIDALGO (JPH) COUNTIES.

### \*SAY'S PHOEBE

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (CAH), LOS ALAMOS (PRS, MBS, BS). SANTA FE (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH, MCK), TORRANCE (WWH, CAH), CATRON (RAILROAD CANON)(MCK), SOCORRO (DMN), GRANT (RAF, DAZ), AND EDDY (DMN) COUNTIES.

# \*TRAILL'S FLYCATCHER

1 WAS BANDED IN THE JEMEZ MTS., SANDOVAL CO., AT 8500' on 6/29 (PRS); THE SPECIES WAS SEEN ON THE CHAMA RIVER ON 6/9 JND, JPF, WWH). 2 NESTS WERE FOUND AND PHOTOGRAPHED NEAR BUCKHORN, GRANT CO., ON 6/22, AND 1 WAS FOUND IN THE SAN FRANCISCO VALLEY NEAR PLEASANTON ON 7/6 (JPH); FAIRLY COMMON IN BOTH PLACES AND IN THE GILA VALLEY IN JUNE (JPH).

### DUSKY FLYCATCHER

BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 9/1 TO 9/7 (MCK).

### GRAY FLYCATCHER

1 SINGING NORTH OF PIE TOWN, CATRON CO., ON 6/27 (DMN) AND 2 SINGING 17 MILES EAST OF FENCE LAKE, VALENCIA CO., ON 7/8 (JPH), NOT FOUND AT LITTLE WALNUT NEAR SILVER CITY ON 6/24 WHERE HAS SUMMERED IN THE PAST (JPH); BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 9/1 TO 9/7 (MCK).

### \*WESTERN FLYCATCHER

NESTING REPORTED IN TAOS (CAH), SANDOVAL (MBS), LOS ALAMOS (PRS), SOCORRO (CAH), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

<u>\*WESTERN WOOD PEWEE</u> 1 NEST REPORTED IN GRANT CO. (DDL).

### OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER

AT LEAST 1 PAIR AT WILLOW CREEK, MOGOLLON MTS., ON 6/10 WHERE ALSO FOUND IN SUMMERS OF 1962 AND 1963 (JPH); RECORDED AT S.U.CANON NEAR RESERVE ON 6/1 AND 6/18 WHERE ALSO FOUND IN SUMMER OF 1967 (MCK).

### **\*VERMILION FLYCATCHER**

FAIRLY COMMON IN THE GILA VALLEY IN JUNE AND A FEW NEAR GLENWOOD IN JUNE AND EARLY JULY (JPH); NESTING REPORTED IN GRANT CO. (RAF).

#### \*HORNED LARK

NESTING REPORTED IN SANTA FE (DMN, SAR), DE BACA (DMN); IN CATRON, SOCORRO ROOSEVELT, GRANT, SIERRA, HIDALGO, DONA ANA, AND EDDY COUNTIES (ALL DMN); ONE OF THE COMMONEST BIRDS IN A CENSUS NEAR ROSWELL ON 6/7 WITH 91 COUNTED IN 36 STOPS (VM).

<u>\*VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW</u> NEST REPORTED FROM CATRON CO. (MCK).

### \*TREE SWALLOW

SUMMER REPORTS WERE: SEVERAL AT STORE LAKE, RIO ARRIBA CO., ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH); A PAIR WITH A "EST AT THE GASCON RANCH, MORA CO., ON 6/9 (WH); 2 AT SANDIA PARK, BERNALILLO CO., ON 6/1 (CAH); A PAIR NEAR CLIFF IN JUNE, NEST AND EGGS PHOTOGRAPHED ON 6/27 (JPH); BRED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK).

# \*BANK SWALLOW

BRED AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (EVK); OTHER SUMMER REPORTS WERE 40 AT DEXTER FISH HATCHERY ON 7/20 (JND, ET AL) AND SEEN AT RINCON, DONA ANA CO., ON 7/28 (PRS).

#### \*ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW

A NEST RECORDED IN GRANT CO. (JPH) AND SUMMER REPORTS FROM SAN ILDEFONSO PUEBLO 7/15 (PRS), LAS VEGAS (ES), SAN FRANCISCO AND GILA VALLEYS (JPH).

### \*BARN SWALLOW

NESTING RECORDED IN SANDOVAL (CAH), SANTA FE (CAH), SAN MIGUEL (WM, ES), VALENCIA (CAH), BERNALILLO (WWH, CAH, RJL), TORRANCE (CAH), CATRON (JPH), SOCORRO (CAH, EVK, EGR), GRANT (RAF, JPH), SIERRA (DMN), AND HIDALGO (JPH) COUNTIES.

\*CLIFF SWALLOW

NESTING COLONIES WERE REPORTED FROM SANDOVAL (CAM), SANTA FE (CAH), MORA (WH), SAN MIGUEL (WH), VALENCIA (JPH), CATRON (JPH), GRANT (RAF), SIERRA (PRS), AND HIDALGO (JPH) COUNTIES.

#### \*CAVE SWALLOW

REPORTED NESTING IN EDDY CO. (SW).

### \*PURPLE MARTIN

2 NESTS WERE REPORTED FROM CATRON CO. (MCK), SEEN OFF THE EAST SIDE OF THE SAN MATEO MTS., SOCORRO CO., ON 6/8 (MCK); HEARD EAST OF FENCE LAKE, VALENCIA CO., 7/8 (JPH).

#### BLUE JAY

1 SEEN FOUR TIMES IN THE PERIOD 11/1 To 11/30 in ROSWELL (VM).

### \*STELLER'S JAY

A NEST WAS REPORTED FROM TAOS CO. (WH) AND YOUNG WERE SEEN IN JULY AT JEMEZ SPRINGS (MBS), AND NEAR LAS VEGAS (ES).

#### \*SCRUB JAY

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN BERNALILLO (CAH) AND GRANT (RAF, DAZ) COUNTIES.

\*BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE

NESTING RECORDED IN RIO ARRIBA (PRS), AND SAN MIGUEL (ES) COUNTIES, SUMMERED AT CLAYTON (WC).

\*COMMON RAVEN

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN MORA (WH) AND GRANT (RAF, JPH) COUNTIES.

#### \*WHITE-NECKED RAVEN

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN CHAVES (JPH), ROOSEVELT (JPH, SAR), GRANT (RAF), HIDALGO (RAF), LUNA (RAF, DAZ), AND LEA (SAR) COUNTIES.

### COMMON CROW

INCREASED NUMBERS RECORDED AT LOS ALAMOS (PRS), ESPANOLA (WBL, PRS), AND SANDIA MTS. (MCK) DURING AUTUMN; SUMMER REPORTS INCLUDE LOS LUNAS ON 7/18 (JND, JPF), AND A PROBABLE PAIR, MALE COLLECTED, WITH 3 GROWN YOUNG ON THE GILA RIVER AT THE MOUTH OF MOGOLLON CREEK IN JUNE (JPH).

### PINON JAY

REPORTED AS FAR SOUTH AS COLLIN'S PARK, NORTH OF THE MOGOLLON MTS. (JPH) AND AT WHITE OAKS, LINCOLN CO. (PRS) IN JUNE; AUTUMN REPORTS INDICATE WIDESPREAD OCCURRENCE IN MODERATE NUMBERS NORTH OF THESE TWO AREAS, WITH 80 AT ROSWELL ON 9/23 (VM).

### CLARK'S NUTCRACKER

FOUND IN NORTHERN AREAS IN SUMMER AND AUTUMN, AND 2 SEEN AT ALTOS IN LINCOLN CO. ON 10/30, AND 2 IN THE PINOS ALTOS MTS. ON 6/15 (RAF).

### \*MOUNTAIN CHICKADEE

NESTING RECORDED IN SAN MIGUEL (WH, ES), AND BERNALILLO (MCK) COUNTIES WITH YOUNG AT JEMEZ SPRINGS IN JULY (MBS); LOWLAND OCCURRENCES INCLUDE KIRTLAND, SAN JUAN CO., MANY ON 11/18 (<u>FIDE</u> APN); LAS VEGAS, SMALL FLOCK ON 11/5 (ES); ALBUQUERQUE, 1 ON 11/12 (DDL); AND BITTER LAKE NWR 1 on 10/22 (VM).

\*PLAIN TITMOUSE

NEST REPORTED IN GRANT CO. (DAZ).

### \*COMMON BUSHTIT

NEST REPORTED IN GRANT CO. (DAZ); A DARK-EARED INDIVIDUAL WAS REPORTED IN A FLOCK OF THESE BIRDS FROM BERNAL, SAN MIGUEL CO., ON 6/23 (WH), AND PROBABLY REPRESENTS A JUVENAL VARIANT.

# \*WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS), SAN MIGUEL (WM, ES), AND CATRON (MCK) COUNTIES.

### **RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH**

REPORTED QUITE COMMON IN SUMMER AT 8000' TO 9000' AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, COLFAX CO., BUT NOT HIGHER UP AT 9000' TO 12,000' (RAR); AUTUMN REPORTS OF SINGLES OR UNSPECIFIED NUMBERS FROM JEMEZ MTS., RIO ARRIBA CO. ON 9/15 (JND); FROM SANDIA CREST ON 8/25 (JND); FROM THE BLACK RANGE ON 9/20-21 (RAF).

### \*PYGMY NUTHATCH

NESTING RECORDED IN SANDOVAL CO. (MBS); YOUNG SEEN AT LOS ALAMOS IN LATE JUNE (PRS) AND NEAR LAS VEGAS ON 7/3 (ES).

DIPPER

SINGLE TRANSIENTS WERE FOUND AT GUAJE RESERVOIR, LOS ALAMOS CO. ON 11/28 (MAC), AND AT S.U.CANON NEAR RESERVE ON 10/5 (MCK).

\*HOUSE WREN

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN MORA (WH), SAN MIGUEL (EGR), BERNALILLO (CAH), AND GRANT (RAF) COUNTIES.

\*BEWICK'S WREN

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN BERNALILLO CO. (RJL).

#### \*CACTUS WREN

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN GRANT (JPH), HIDALGO (DMN), EDDY (DMN) COUNTIES.

# LONG-BILLED MARSH WREN

SEEN AT BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR ON 7/18 (JND ET AL).

# \*CANON WREN

A NEST WAS REPORTED IN SOCORRO CO. (CAH).

### **\*ROCK WREN**

NESTS WERE REPORTED FROM QUAY (JLD) AND BERNALILLO (CAH) COUNTINES.

### \*MOCKINGBIRD

REPORTED NESTING IN SANDOVAL (GC, JLD), CATRON (MCK), SOCORRO (EVK), LINCOLN (PRS), GRANT (DAZ), AND EDDY (DMN) COUNTIES; 85 REPORTED IN CENSUS STOPS NEAR ROSWELL ON 6/7 (VM).

#### \*BENDIRE'S THRASHER

8 WERE COUNTED WEST OF LOS LUNAS ON 6/15 (JND, JPF) WHERE ONE WAS LATER COLLECTED (JLD); 16 NESTS WERE REPORTED FROM SANDOVAL CO. (GC, JLD).

### \*CURVE-BILLED THRASHER

NESTING WAS REPORTED FROM GRANT (T.BRAKE, RAF, JPH, DAZ) AND HIDALGO (RAF) COUNTIES; IN THE NORTHEAST, WHERE VERY LOCAL, 2 REPORTED FROM LA LIENDRE, SAN MIGUEL CO., ON 9/2 (WM), AND AT CLAYTON IN EARLY OCTOBER (WC).

#### SAGE THRASHER

SUMMER REPORTS FROM BURFORD LAKE ON 6/8-9 (JND, JPF, WWH), AND 1 SEEN 15 MILES NORTH OF FENCE LAKE, VALENCIA CO., ON 7/7 (JPH),

# \*ROBIN

NESTING REPORTED FROM RIO ARRIBA (RJL), TAOS (WH, CAH), SANDOVAL (MBS), AND CATRON (RAF, MCK) COUNTIES, AND YOUNG SEEN IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS), LAS VEGAS (ES), AND ROSWELL (VM) DURING THE SUMMER.

#### EASTERN BLUEBIRD

SINGLES TO SMALL FLOCKS REPORTED FROM SANTA FE AREA ON 10/29, 11/2, 11/4 AND 11/5 (PHC).

#### \*WESTERN BLUEBIRD

REPORTED NESTING IN TAOS (WH), BERNALILLO (RJL), CATRON (MCK), SOCORRO (MCK), AND GRANT (RAF) COUNTIES.

# \*MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD

NESTING REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (CAH, MBS), MORA (WH), SAN MIGUEL (EGR), AND BERNALILLO (CAH, RJL) COUNTIES; SUMMER REPORTS FROM MORE SOUTHERN AREAS WERE: COMMON EAST OF FENCE LAKE ON 7/7 (JPH); ABUNDANT BETWEEN PIE TOWN AND TRECHADO, CATRON CO., ON 6/29 (DMN); A MALE SEEN NEAR QUARAI, TORRANCE CO., ON 6/4 (R.NICKLAS); SEEN AT CEDAR CREEK, NEAR RUIDOSO, LINCOLN CO., ON 7/18 (JND, <u>ET</u> <u>AL</u>).

# TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE

SINGLE SPOTTED JUVENILES SEEN AT LOS ALAMOS ON 8/4, WHERE SINGLE ADULT SEEN ON 7/4, AND SOUTH OF LUNA, CATRON CO., ON 6/27 (MCK), BUT BREEDING IN THESE AREAS HAS NOT BEEN VERIFIED; A VISIT TO SIGNAL PEAK IN THE PINOS ALTOS MTS. ON 6/28 FAILED TO DISCLOSE THIS SPECIES AS HAVE SUMMER VISITS IN 1963 AND 1964, ALTHOUGH

DEPENDENT JUVENILES WERE FOUND THERE ON 7/5 in 1959 (JPH); AN ADULT APPEARED TO FLUSH FROM A NEST ON A STEEP BANK IN THE MOGOLLON MTS. ON 6/10 BUT NEST COULD NOT BE FOUND (JPH); HEARD IN THE TULAROSA MTS., CATRON CO. ON 6/21 (MCK).

### GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET

SEVERAL WERE FOUND IN THE JEMEZ MTS., SANDOVAL CO., ON 6/30 (PRS), BUT NONE LOCATED WHERE FOUND IN SUMMER OF 1967 AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, COLFAX CO. (RAR); SINGLES OR DOUBLES WERE RECORDED IN AUTUMN AS FOLLOWS: LOS ALAMOS ON 11/28 (MAC); CEDAR CREST ON 10/27 (JND); S.U.CANON NEAR RESERVE ON 10/26-27 (MCK); LOWER GALLINAS CANON, MIMBRES MTS., 11/23 (RAF); ROSWELL 10/3 (VM).

# RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET

SUMMER REPORTS: A DOZEN OR MORE IN THE JEMEZ MTS., SANDOVAL CO., ON 6/30 (PRS); PRESENT IN SAN CRISTOBAL CANON, TAOS CO., ON 7/21 (WH); ABUNDANT AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, COLFAX CO., IN JUNE AND JULY (RAR); SEVERAL AT WILLOW CREEK IN THE MOGOLLON MTS., 6/10 (JPH).

# \*WATER PIPIT

AT LEAST 5 PAIR NESTING ABOVE TIMBERLINE AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, WITH A NEST CONTAINING 3 YOUNG FOUND ON 6/18 (RAR); PRESENT ON LOBO PEAK, TAOS CO., ON 7/21 (WH).

# BOHEMIAN WAXWING

UP TO 1000 WERE PRESENT IN THE LOS ALAMOS AREA IN THE PERIOD 11/28 THROUGH 11/30 (MAC, WBL, BS, PRS, J.R.TRAVIS) AND 70 OR MORE WERE PRESENT AT FARMINGTON ON 11/30 AND FOR 10 DAYS THEREAFTER (APN); 1 REPORTED FROM CHACO CANON NATIONAL MONUMENT (J.D.SCURLOCK) BUT NO DATE.

### CEDAR WAXWING

10 IN ROSWELL ON 9/30 (JHS), WITH AUTUMN REPORTS ALSO FROM LOS ALAMOS (MB), LAS VEGAS (WH), AND ALBUQUERQUE AREA (P.TURNER).

### PHAINOPEPLA

FAIRLY COMMON AT VIRDEN IN JUNE, WITH OLD NESTS AND FLYING YOUNG SEEN (JPH); 2 MALES AND 3 FEMALES SOUTH OF CLIFF ON 6/9, AND A GROWN YOUNG COLLECTED (JPH); ONLY ONE, A MALE, SEEN AT RED ROCK, GRANT CO., ON 6/12 (JPH); 3 MALES AND 2 FEMALES SEEN 5 MILES SOUTH OF RESERVE ON 6/28 (MCK) IN THE SAN FRANCISCO VALLEY ARE NORTHERN RECORDS FOR THE AREA, ALTHOUGH THE SPECIES HAS BEEN RECORDED IN THE VALLEY AT PLEASANTON, CATRON CO. (JPH).

#### NORTHERN SHRIKE

1 WAS REPORTED AT LOS ALAMOS IN THE WEEK OF 11/21 (WCT, ET AL).

#### \*LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (GC, JLD), GRANT (RAF), AND LEA (SAR) COUNTIES.

\*STARLING

FAIRLY COMMON IN THE GILA VALLEY FROM VIRDEN TO THE CLIFF AREA IN JUNE AND JULY, WITH NESTS IN BOTH GRANT AND HIDALGO COUNTIES, AND FLOCKS OF MAINLY IMMATURES UP TO 50 BIRDS (JPH); NESTING ALSO REPORTED FROM MORA CO. (WH).

### BELL'S VIREO

UNCOMMON IN THE GILA VALLEY FROM VIRDEN TO THE AREA SOUTH OF CLIFF, WITH ONE RECORD AT MOGOLLON CREEK ON 6/6 AND 6/20; LARGE YOUNG AND AN OLD NEST FOUND AT RED ROCK ON 6/12-13; ONE HEARD SINGING NEAR FRISCO HOT SPRINGS ON 6/30 (JPH).

#### \*SOLITARY VIREO

A NEST WAS REPORTED FROM LOS ALAMOS CO. (PRS).

### \*WARBLING VIREO

A NEST WAS REPORTED FROM CATRON CO. (RAF).

#### ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER

SEEN AT PARKVIEW FISH HATCHERY ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH), AT SIGNAL PEAK IN THE MOGOLLON MTS. ON 6/28 (JPH), AND AT CLOUDCRORT SKI AREA ON 7/19 (JND, ET AL).

# NASHVILLE WARBLER

1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST ON 9/8 (MCK) FOUND DEAD AND PRESERVED AT LOS ALAMOS ON 9/10 (PRS).

### \*VIRGINIA'S WARBLER

1 FEEDING A YOUNG COWBIRD AT LAS VEGAS ON 7/4 (ES).

# \*LUCY'S WARBLER

COMMON IN THE GILA AND SAN FRANCISCO VALLEYS IN JUNE, NORTH TO TURKEY CREEK AND ALMA AREA RESPECTIVELY (JPH); A NEST REPORTED IN GRANT CO. (JPM), AND A PAIR FEEDING FLYING YOUNG ON MINERAL CREEK, CATRON CO., ON 6/23 (MCK).

### **\*YELLOW WARBLER**

A NEST REPORTED FROM SAN MIGUEL CO. (WH).

### BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER

A MALE WAS SEEN AT 10 FEET IN LOS ALAMOS ON 10/6 (PRS).

#### AUDUBON'S WARBLER

NUMBER OF YOUNG AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, COLFAX CO., DURING THE SUMMER WAS CONSIDERED LOWER THAN IN THE PREVIOUS 2 YEARS (RAR).

# TOWNSEND'S WARBLER

A REPORT FROM LAS VEGAS ON 6/2 (ES) IS A LATE OCCURRENCE; 1 SEEN AT ROSWELL ON 9/18 IS CONSIDERED AN UNUSUAL FALL RECORD (VM).

# OVENBIRD

1 WAS BANDED AT CEDAR CREST on 8/31 WHERE THE ONLY OTHER RECORD IS MAY, 1967 (MCK).

### KENTUCKY WARBLER

AN ADULT FEMALE WAS TAKEN ON 6/17 AT PLEASANTON, CATRON CO. (JPH); THIS IS APPARENTLY THE FIRST STATE SPECIMEN, THOUGH THERE ARE SEVERAL SIGHT RECORDS\* AND IT NAB BEEN DEPOSITED AT THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, WASHINGTON, D. C.

### MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER

SEEN ON SIGNAL PEAK, PINOS ALTOS MTS., ON 6/28 (JPH), AND AT THE CLOUDCROFT SKI AREA ON 7/19 (JND, <u>ET AL</u>); SINGLES AT LOS ALAMOS ON 6/6 (PRS) AND AT LAS VEGAS ON 6/3 (WH) WERE PROBABLY MIGRANTS

### YELLOWTHROAT

HEARD NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 7/4 (JND, JPF).

<u>\*YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT</u> A NEST WAS REPORTED FROM CATRON CO. (JPH).

RED-FACED WARBLER

PAIR FEEDING YOUNG IN THE TULAROSA MTS., CATRON CO., ON 6/21 (MCK).

### AMERICAN REDSTART

SINGLE FEMALES SEEN AT ALBUQUERQUE ON 9/3 (JND), AND AT SILVER CITY on 11/20 (SARA BALDWIN, FIDE RAF).

<u>\*PAINTED REDSTART</u> NESTING WAS REPORTED in CATRON (MCK) AND GRANT (DMN) COUNTIES.

\*HOUSE SPARROW

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN BERNALILLO (CAH, EGR), SOCORRO (EVK, EGR), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

# \*EASTERN MEADOWLARK

SUMMER RECORDS WHICH HELP FILL IN DISTRIBUTIONAL GAPS OF THIS SPECIES IN THE STATE ARE: 3-4, INCLUDING 1 COLLECTED, 17 MILES SOUTH OF GRANTS ON 6/29; 9 SOUTHWEST OF MAGDALENA ON A CENSUS 6/8 (MCK); 2 AT COLLIN'S PARK, NORTH OF THE MOGOLLON MTS., ON 6/10 (JPH); 14 AT CARRIZOZO ON A CENSUS ON 6/9 (PRS); FAIRLY COMMON NORTH OF MULE CREEK IN JUNE, INCLUDING 1 TAKEN ON 6/7 (JPH); 3 SOUTH OF GILA ON 6/11 (JPH); 3 AT ROCKHOUND STATE PARK, LUNA CO., ON 7/27-28 (PRS); HEARD NEAR CARLSBAD ON 7/19 (JND, <u>ET AL</u>). NESTING WAS REPORTED IN ROOSEVELT (DMN), LUNA (SAR), AND LEA (SAR) COUNTIES.

# \*WESTERN MEADOWLARK

FAIRLY COMMON IN FIELDS IN THE GILA VALLEY NEAR CLIFF AND RARE IN GRASSLANDS IN THE CLIFF AREA 10 JUNE, INCLUDING 2 YOUNG BARELY ABLE TO FLY TAKEN SOUTH OF GILA ON 7/6 (JPH); NESTING REPORTED IN RIO ARRIBA (WWH), UNION (SAR), QUAY (SAR), AND LEA (SAR) COUNTIES; SEEN AT RATTLESNAKE SPRINGS, EDDY CO., ON 7/19 (JND, <u>ET AL</u>).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD

SEEN AT BURFORD LAKE AND STONE LAKE, RIO ARRIBA CO. ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH), WHERE HAS BRED. 3 MALES AND 2 FEMALES SEEN NEAR RED ROCK ON 6/27 (JPH) AND MID-JULY REPORTS FROM LAS VEGAS (WH), BOSQUE DEL APACHE NWR (JND, ET AL.), AND BITTER LAKE NWR (VM) WERE PROBABLY TRANSIENTS.

### \*RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD

NESTING REPORTED IN RIO ARRIBA (WBL), SAN MIGUEL (WM), SOCORRO (EVK), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

### \*HOODED ORIOLE

FAIRLY COMMON IN GILA VALLEY NORTH TO MOGOLLON CREEK AND IN SAN FRANCISCO VALLEY NEAR GLENWOOD IN JUNE (JPH); NEST FROM GRANT CO. (DAZ).

#### \*SCOTT'S ORIOLE

NESTING WAS REPORTED FROM GRANT (RAF) AND LUNA (DAZ) COUNTIES.

#### \*BULLOCK'S ORIOLE

1 SEEN AT 7500' IN PINE FOREST IN LOS ALAMOS ON 7/16 (PRS); NESTING REPORTED FROM UNION (J.D.RISING), CATRON (JPH), SOCORRO (EVK) COUNTIES.

# \*BREWER'S BLACKBIRD

ADULTS AND YOUNG WERE SEEN AT APACHE CREEK, CATRON CO., ON 7/7 (JPH) AND NESTING WAS REPORTED FROM TAOS CO. (WH). OTHER SUMMER REPORTS: AT GASCON RANCH, MORA CO., 6/9 (WH); SEEN IN TIJERAS CANON BERNALILLO CO., 7/7 (JND, <u>ET AL</u>); SEVERAL IN BEAVERHEAD-WALL LAKE AREA, CATRON CO., 6/27 (DMN).

### \*BOAT-TAILED GRACKLE

UNUSUAL REPORTS WERE FROM SAN YSIDRO, SANDOVAL CO. ON 6/8, AND PARKVIEW, RIO ARRIBA CO., ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH), AND 1 AT TUCUMCARI ON 6/28 (R.Ross). 1 NESTING COLONY WAS FOUND NEAR BUCKHORN ON DUCK CREEK IN LATE JUNE WITH 5 EMPTY NESTS, ONE WITH AN ADDLED EGG, 3 OR MORE FLEDGLINGS, 8 ADULT FEMALES, AND 3 ADULT MALES, WITH 2 SPECIMENS TAKEN ON 6/25; ACCORDING TO THE LANDHOLDER, THIS COLONY WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1966 OR 1967 (JPH). OTHER NESTING REPORTED IN RIO ARRIBA (WBL, PRS), SOCORRO (EVK), AND HIDALGO (RIF) COUNTIES.

#### COMMON GRACKLE

1 AT CORRALES, SANDOVAL CO., ON 6/28, WHERE ALSO RECORDED JUNE 1966, JUNE 1967, AND APRIL 1968 (J.S.FINDLEY); ALSO REPORTED FROM LAS VEGAS ON 6/2 AND 9/17 (WH).

### \*BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD

BREEDING WAS REPORTED IN SAN MIGUEL (ES), CATRON (JPH), SOCORRO (EVK), AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

#### BRONZED COWBIRD

A FEMALE COLLECTED IN HIDALGO CO. CONTAINED AN UNSHELLED EGG; THE SPECIES WAS FOUND RARELY IN THE GILA VALLEY IN JUNE NEAR RED ROCK AND SOUTH OF CLIFF, WITH A PAIR IN BREEDING CONDITION TAKEN IN THE LATTER AREA ON 6/24 (JPH).

# \*WESTERN TANAGER

A NEST WAS REPORTED FROM RIO ARRIBA CO. (WBL).

#### HEPATIC TANAGER

A MALE was SEEN SEVERAL TIMES IN JULY AT SANDIA KNOLLS, BERNALILLO CO. (RJL); SEVERAL WERE SEEN EAST OF FENCE LAKE, VALENCIA CO., 7/8 (JPH); A PAIR WAS IN S.U.CANON WEST OF RESERVE IN JUNE (MCK).

#### SUMMER TANAGER

SEEN NEAR LOS LUNAS ON 6/15 (JND, JPF).

# CARDINAL

A MALE WAS SEEM 9/6, 9/7, 9/9 AT TOME VALENCIA CO. (R.LEWIS).

### ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK

A MALE WAS BANDED AND PHOTOGRAPHED AT CEDAR CREST ON 9/2 FOR THE FIRST AUTUMN RECORD IN THE AREA (MCK); THE ONLY OTHER AUTUMN ACCORD FOR THE STATE IS A SPECIMEN FROM LOS ALAMOS.

### \*BLACK HEADED GROSBEAK

NESTING WAS REPORTED FROM VALENCIA (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH), CATRON (MCK) AND GRANT (DAZ) COUNTIES, WITH YOUNG SEEN IN JULY AT JEMEZ SPRINGS (MBS); A LATE RECORD IS 2 SEEN ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE SANDIA MTS., ON 10/27 (JND).

# \*BLUE GROSBEAK

NESTING WAS REPORTED FROM CATRON AND GRANT (JPH) COUNTIES.

### \*INDIGO BUNTING

AT LEAST 5 SINGING MALES WERE FOUND BETWEEN RED ROCK AND MOGOLLON CREEK IN THE GILA VALLEY IN JUNE (JPH), AND A PRESUMED TERRITORIAL PAIR WAS SEEN NORTH OF CLIFF ON 6/12 (DAZ). AT LEAST 7 SINGING MALES, 5 PAIRED WITH FEMALES THAT APPEARED TYPICAL OF THIS SPECIES, WERE SEEN NEAR PLEASANTON IN THE SAN FRANCISCO VALLEY IN JUNE, AND A NEST WITH EGGS WAS FOUND ON 7/4 (JPH). 1 REPORTED AT SANTA FE ON 11/20 WAS SEEN CLOSELY WITH BINOCULARS (PHC).

# LAZULI BUNTING

A SINGING MALE SUMMERED AT CEDAR CREST (MCK) AND 1 WAS FOUND IN THE SAN FRANCISCO VALLEY NEAR PLEASANTON ON 6/29 AND 7/6, WITH A FEMALE IN FRESH PLUMAGE TAKEN ON 7/4 (JPH); A MALE WAS SEEN IN S.U.CANON NEAR RESERVE 8/3-4 (MCK).

### EVENING GROSBEAK

SUMMERED IN LOS ALAMOS, WHERE FEMALES BANDED ON 7/24 SHOWED BROOD PATHCES, AND A STUB-TAILED JUVENILE WAS FOUND DEAD ON 7/22 (PRS); 50 OR MORE WERE FOUND NEAR CIMARRON ON 7/29, BUT DEPARTED AFTER THEY DEVOURED A CHERRY CROP (RAR). GENERALLY SMALL NUMBERS SNOWED UP IN LAS VEGAS ON 9/10 AND 10/5 (WH) AND MIDDLE OCTOBER IN VELARDE (J.WHETSTONE), CEDAR CREST (MCK), AND SANTA FE (PHC), STAYING IN THE LAST AREA INTO NOVEMBER.

# CASSIN'S FINCH

1 AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH ON 7/2 WAS THE FIRST RECORDED THERE IN SEVERAL SUMMERS (RAR); A FEW RECORDED IN SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER IN LOS ALAMOS (PRS) AND IN THE SANDIA MTS. (RJL, MCK),

#### \*HOUSE FINCH

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (CAH), SANTA FE (CAH), BERNALILLO (CAH, JL, RJL), CATRON (JPH), SOCORRO (EVK), LINCOLN (DMN), AND GRANT (RAF, JPH, DAZ) COUNTIES.

### PINE GROSBEAK

2 TO 3 SEEN PER WEEK AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH (RAR); 2 AT TIERRA AMARILLA ON 10/12 AND 10/13 (WBL) AND 12 TO 15 IN THE JEMEZ MTS., SANDOVAL CO., ON 10/5 (MBS).

### ROSY FINCHES: GRAY-CROWNED, BROWN-CAPPED

(HEPBURN'S) GRAY-CROWNED ROSY FINCHES SEEN AT 8400' ON JOHNSON'S MESA ROAD, SAN MIGUEL CO., ON 11/17; AT LEAST 1 IN A FLOCK OF BROWN-CAPPED ROSY FINCHES NEAR AGNOSTURA, TAOS CO., ON 11/28 (WH).

### PINE SISKIN

SUMMER RECORDS FROM LOS ALAMOS (PRS), GASCON RANCH, MORA CO., (WH), AND SIGNAL PEAK, PINOS ALTOS MTS. (JPH).

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH

2 AT PARKVIEW FISH HATCHERY ON 8/18 (BJH, PRS) AND REPORTEDLY SEEN AT RATTLESNAKE SPRINGS, EDDY CO., ON 7/19 (JND, ET AL).

<u>\*LESSER GOLDFINCH</u> NEST REPORTED FROM SANTA FE CO. (BJH).

# LAWRENCE'S GOLDFINCH

A MALE WAS REPORTED AT A BIRDBATH IN SANDIA KNOLLS, EAST SIDE OF THE SANDIA MTS., ON 10/26: THE BIRD WAS WATCHED FOR 20 MINUTES AND WAS DESCRIBED AS GRAY ON THE BACK AND NAPE WITH A BLACK FACE AND WITH A YELLOW BREAST SPOT, RUMP, AND WINGS (RJL); THIS SPECIES HAS BEEN REPORTED SEVERAL TIMES IN THE SOUTHWESTERN PART OF THE STATE.

### RED CROSSBILL

4 WERE SEEN AT LITTLE WALNUT, NEAR SILVER CITY, ON 6/24, INCLUDING A PAIR OF ADULTS AND 2 FLYING YOUNG THAT WERE OCCASIONALLY FED BY THE OLD BIRDS (JPH); A FLOCK WAS PRESENT AT LOS ALAMOS FROM 7/6 TO 10/18 WITH A JUVENILE BANDED IN THIS PERIOD (MB, BS, PRS). OTHER REPORTS WERE 36 AT APACHE CREEK ON 7/7 (MCK); A FLOCK IN THE SANDIA MTS. IN AUGUST (JND, <u>ET AL</u>); TWOS AND THREES SEEN 5 TIMES DURING THE SUMMER AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH (RAR).

\*GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE

A NEST WAS FOUND IN SAGEBRUSH AREA EAST OF FENCE LAKE, VALENCIA CO., ON 7/8 (JPH), AND A SINGLE BIRD WAS SEEN AT CHACO CANON NATIONAL MONUMENT ON 7/10 (DMN).

<u>RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE</u> SEEN AT LOS LUNAS ON 7/18 (JND, ET AL).

### \*BROWN TOWHEE

NESTING WAS REPORTED FROM SANTA FE (PRS), BERNALILLO (JL), SOCORRO (MCK), LINCOLN (PRS), GRANT (RAF, DAZ), AND HIDALGO (DMN) COUNTIES.

### \*LARK BUNTING

REPORTED NESTING IN SANTA FE CO. (DMN, SAR); EARLY SUMMER RECORDS FROM WATROUS ON 6/11 (WH) AND ARTESIA ON 6/7-9, ALTHOUGH IN THE LATTER AREA ONLY FEMALES, APPARENTLY NONBREEDING, WERE FOUND (DMN).

#### GRASSHOPPER SPARROW

REPORTED SEEN AT STORRIE LAKE, LAS VEGAS, 9/29 (DR, WCT).

# **\*VESPER SPARROW**

8 TO 10 WERE FOUND IN COLLIN'S PARK NORTH OF THE MOGOLLOW MTS. ON 6/10 AND A FEMALE WITH HER NEST AND EGGS WAS COLLECTED (JPH); OTHER SUMMER RECORDS INCLUDE: LAS VEGAS IN EARLY JUNE (ES); NORTH OF THE GALLO MTS., CATRON CO., ON 7/7 (JPH); EDGEWOOO, SANTA FE CO., ON 7/7 (JND, <u>ET AL</u>); AND LAKE MCMILLAN ON 7/19 (JND, <u>ET AL</u>).

#### \*LARK SPARROW

NESTS WERE REPORTED FROM GRANT (RAF) AND EDDY (DMN) COUNTIES

## RUFOUS-CROWNED SPARROW

SUMMER RECORDS INCLUDE: FRISCO HOT SPRINGS 6/3 (JPH); WHITE OAKS, LINCOLN CO., 6/9 (PRS); ROCKHOUND STATE PARK, LUNA Co., 7/27-28 (PRS).

### CASSIN'S SPARROW

IN THE EASTERN PLAINS RECORDED IN JUNE NEAR CLAYTON (WC), MORIARTY (DMN), PORTALES (JPH), ROSWELL (JPH, VM), ARTESIA (DMN), AND ON 7/19-20 AT LAKE MCMILLAN AND RATTLESNAKE SPRINGS, IN EDDY CO. (JND, <u>ET AL</u>); NESTING REPORTED IN QUAY AND LEA (SAR) COUNTIES. OTHER JUNE RECORDS: CLAUNCH, 6/4-6 (DMN); ENGLE, 6/11-13, (DMN), WINSTON 6/14 (DMN); HATCH 6/16-17 (DMN); WEST OF DEMING IN EARLY JUNE (DAZ); GILA, 6/17 (JPH); HATCHITA, 6/19 (DMN), BUCKHORN, 7/3 (JPH); SANDOVAL, 7/5 (DMN); CORONADO AIRPORT, BERNALILLO CO., 7/8 (DMN).

#### \*BLACK-THROATED SPARROW

NESTING WAS REPORTED IN SANDOVAL (JLD), GRANT (J.BILLINGS, CH), AND DONA ANA (SAR) COUNTIES.

WHITE-WINGED JUNCO

1 WAS BANDED AT LOS ALAMOS ON 11/11 (PRS), AND 2 WERE PRESENT IN AUTUMN AT JEMEZ SPRINGS (MBS).

#### SLATE-COLORED JUNCO

SINGLES AT VELARDE ON 11/27 (J.WHETSTONE), LOS ALAMOS (BANDED-PRS), AND SANDIA KNOLLS ON 10/28 AND 2 ON 11/12 (RJL).

### \*GRAY-HEADED JUNCO

NESTING REPORTED IN SAN MIGUEL (EGR) AND GRANT (RAF) COUNTIES, AND JUVENILES SEEN IN THE TULAROSA MTS., CATRON CO., ON 6/21 (MCK) AND AT JEMEZ SPRINGS IN SEPTEMBER (MBS).

### \*CHIPPING SPARROW

NESTING REPORTED IN TAOS (WH, CAH), SANDOVAL (CAH), AND BERNALILLO (RJL) COUNTIES.

### CLAY-COLORED SPARROW

REPORTED AT GRENVILLE, UNION CO., ON 6/9 (K.SEYFFERT); REPORTED NEAR LA LIENDRE ON 9/2 (WH); BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 9/23 TO 9/30 (MCK).

BREWER'S SPARROW

PRESENT IN SUMMER IN UNION CO. NEAR THE OKLAHOMA LINE (WC).

### WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW

SEEN AT PARKVIEW FISH HATCHERY ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH), IN SAN CRISTOBAL CANON, TAOS CO., ON 7/21 (WH), IN THE JEMEZ MTS., SANDOVAL CO., ON 6/26 (PRS), AND PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, WHERE MANY JUVENILES WERE SEEN IN AUGUST (RAR).

LINCOLN'S SPARROW

SINGLE FLEDGLINGS FOUND AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH ON 6/30 AND 9/26 (RAR).

# SONG SPARROW

SEEN AT PARKVIEW FISH HATCHERY ON 6/9 (JND, JPF, WWH), AND HEARD BETWEEN EAGLE NEST AND UTE LAKE, COLFAX CO., ON 7/10 (JPH).

\* INDICATES BREEDING RECORD

# SUMMARY OF NEW MEXICO ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTH AMERICAN NEST RECORD CARD PROGRAM DURING 1968

### BY C. A. HUNDERTMARK

N.M.O.S. MEMBERS SUBMITTED A TOTAL OF 624 NEST RECORDS TO THE NORTH AMERICAN PROGRAM FOR THE 1968 NESTING SEASON, AND, IN ADDITION, JOHN P. HUBBARD AND DAVID M. NILES SUBMITTED 111 NEST RECORDS FROM THE SEVEN YEARS PREDATING THE PROGRAM. A NUMBER OF BACK RECORD CARDS WERE ALSO SUBMITTED FOR 1966 AND 1967. FOURTEEN SPECIES NOT PREVIOUSLY RECORDED FOR THE STATE IN THE NORTH AMERICAN PROGRAM WERE RECORDED DURING THE 1968 SEASON, AND THE PRE-1965 RECORDS ADDED 12 MORE SPECIES TO THE LIST. A TOTAL OF ABOUT 163 SPECIES HAS THUS BEEN REPORTED IN THE PROGRAM THROUGH THE N.M.O.S.

SOME INTERESTING GAPS REMAIN IN THE RECORD. THE ONLY RECORDS FOR DUCKS ARE FOR MALLARDS, NEW MEXICAN DUCKS, BLUE-WINGED TEAL, AND COMMON MERGANSER, AND THOSE ARE VERY FEW. ALSO MISSING FROM THE RECORD ARE ALL OF THE HERONS AND EGRETS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE GREAT BLUE HERON. MORE UNDERSTANDABLE IS THE PAUCITY OF RECORDS FOR HIGH-ALTITUDE NESTERS, THOSE SPECIES NESTING AT HIGH ELEVATIONS, IRREGULARLY, VERY LOCALLY, AND/OR IN SMALL NUMBERS, SUCH AS THE WHITE-TAILED PTARMIGAN, GRAY JAY, AND CERTAIN CARDUELINE FINCHES.

THE 1968 NESTING SEASON IN NEW MEXICO, AS INDICATED BY CARDS SUBMITTED THROUGH THE N.M.O.S. RAN FROM EARLY MARCH THROUGH EARLY SEPTEMBER, WITH NEW NESTS RECORDED THROUGH AUGUST. THE PEAK OF THE SEASON OCCURRED IN JUNE, AS THE FOLLOWING TABULATION INDICATING THE NUMBER OF NESTS FOUND DURING EACH MONTH OF THE 1968 NESTING SEASON, SHOWS:

MARCH:	9	JUNE:		318
APRIL:	22	JULY:		110
MAY.	113	AUGUST:	52	

WHILE THE GENERAL TREND INDICATED BY THESE FIGURES IS PROBABLY VALID, THE DISPROPORTIOINATELY HIGH FIGURE FOR JUNE IS SOMEWHAT INFLATED AS A FUNCTION OF INCREASED OBSERVER ACTIVITY DURING THAT MONTH.

NESTS WERE RECORDED AS EARLY AS MARCH IN THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES: GRANT, CATRON, HIDALGO, BERNALILLO, VALENCIA AND SANDOVAL.

THE FOLLOWING IS A BREAKDOWN OF NEST RECORDS SUBMITTED FOR THE 1968 SEASON BY COUNTIES:

GRANT: 168	TORRANCE: 16	
SANDOVAL: 78	VALENCIA: 14	
BERNALILLO: 50	SIERRA 12	
CATRON: 41	EDDY: 11	
SOCORRO: 41	TAOS: 10	
SANTA FE: 39	LUNA: 9	
HIDALGO: 29	MORA: 9	
SAN MIGUEL: 26	UNION: 9	
RIO ARRIBA: 19	LEA: 8	

ROOSEVELT: 8 CHAVES: 7 DONA ANA 6 Los ALAMOS: 5 Quay: 3 LINCOLN: 3 DE BACA 2

NO RECORDS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING COUNTIES: COLFAX, CURRY, GUADALUPE, HARDING, MCKINLEY, OTERO, AND SAN JUAN.

GEOGRAPHICALLY, THE MAJORITY OF THE NESTS RECORDED ARE CONCENTRATED IN TWO AREAS, THE SOUTHWESTERN CORNER OF THE STATE, AND THE CENTRAL PART OF THE STATE WITHIN SHORT TRAVEL DISTANCE OF ALBUQUERQUE AND SANTA FE. THE FIGURES, THUS, CLEARLY REFLECT OBSERVER DISTRIBUTION. THE MAJORITY OF THE OBSERVERS IN THE STATE RESIDE OR ARE ACTIVE IN THE ALBUQUERQUE-SANTA FE AREA, OR IN THE SILVER CITY AREA. THE FIGURES FOR THE SOUTHWEST ARE INFLATED EVEN MORE BECAUSE OF THE INTEREST CREATED BY THE PRESENCE OF A GREAT VARIETY OF OFTEN "EXOTIC" SPECIES. A NUMBER OF OBSERVERS FROM OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE TEND TO DO PART OF THEIR SPRING OR SUMMER FIELD WORK IN THAT PART OT THE STATE WHEN POSSIBLE WHILE THE EASTERN PLAINS AND THE NORTHWESTERN COUNTIES RECEIVE LITTLE OR NO ATTENTION.

THE YEAR 1968 WAS BY FAR THE BEST YEAR TO DATE FOR THE NEST RECORD PROGRAM BOTH FOR NUMBER OF SPECIES REPORTED AND NUMBER OF NESTS RECORDED. NEVERTHELESS, SIGNIFICANT GAPS IN THE RECORD LEAVE ROOM FOR ADDITIONAL WORK THAT CAN CONTRIBUTE VALUABLE INFORMATION TO THE PROGRAM. N.M.O.S. PARTICIPATION IN THE NORTH AMERICAN PROGRAM IS NOT ONLY CONTRIBUTING TO THE NATIONAL PROGRAM, BUT IS BUILDING A VALUABLE RECORD FOR OUR OWN USE AS WELL. THIS RECORD, ALREADY IMPRESSIVE, COULD PROVIDE A FIRM FOUNDATION FOR A VARIETY OF FUTURE RESEARCH PROJECTS. ULTIMATELY, HOWEVER, THE VALUE OF THIS RECORD WILL DEPEND UPON ITS COMPLETENESS. THE MORE GAPS THAT ARE FILLED, THE MORE CLOSELY WILL THE RECORD COME TO AN ACCURATE PORTRAYAL OF BIRD LIFE IN THE STATE.

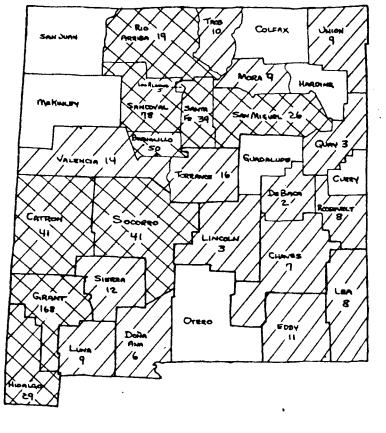
NEST RECORDS FROM THE NORTHEASTERN, SOUTHEASTERN AND NORTHWESTERN COUNTIES WILL IMPROVE THE PICTURE FOR THOSE AREAS. SIMILARLY, RECORDS FOR HIGH ALTITUDE AREAS, WATERFOWL NESTING AREAS AND MARSHES WILL GO FAR AS GAP-FILLERS. ALSO, THERE IS ROOM FOR WORK DIRECTED AT PARTICULAR SPECIES. FINALLY, ADDITIONAL FIELD WORK VERY EARLY AND VERY LATE IN THE NESTING SEASON COULD PROVIDE DATA ON THE ACTUAL EARLY AND LATE LIMITS OF THE NESTING PERIOD FOR VARIOUS SPECIES. 79 SPECIES FROM LIGON'S <u>NEW MEXICO BIRDS</u> WHICH BREED (\*) OR MAY HAVE BRED IN THE STATE BUT WHICH HAVE NOT YET BEEN RECORDED THROUGH N.M.O.S. IN THE NEST RECORD CARD PROGRAM AS OF MAY 6, 1969:

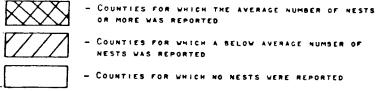
\*EARED GREBE \*DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT \*GREEN HERON \*COMMON EGRET \*SNOWY EGRET \*BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON \*LEAST BITTERN 'AMERICAN BITTERN \*CANADA GOOSE \*GADWALL \*PINTAIL \*GREEN-WINGED TEAL \*CINNAMON TEAL \*BALDPATE \*SHOVELER \*REDHEAD \*CANVASBACK \*LESSER SCAUP \*RUDDY DUCK \*GRAY HAWK \*OSPREY \*PEREGRINE FALCON \*APLOMADO FALCON WHITE-TAILED PTARMIGAN \*LESSER PRAIRIE CHICKEN SAGE GROUSE BOBWHITE **\*VIRGINIA RAIL** \*SORA \*COMMON GALLINULE \*LONG-BILLED CURLEW \*UPLAND PLOVER \*LEAST TERN \*GROUND DOVE \*INCA DOVE \*YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO \*BARN OWL \*PYGMY OWL \*SPOTTED OWL \*SONG SPARROW

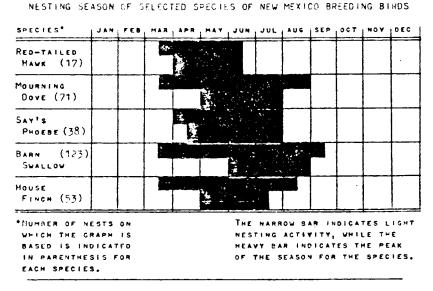
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\*WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW

SOME OF THE SPECIES LISTED MAY NO LONGER NEST IN THE STATE, BUT MOST CERTAINLY DO NEST IN THE STATE. ACCURATE RECORDS FOR THOSE SPECIES WOULD BE VALUABLE. THE FIGURES ACCOMPANYING THE NAMES OF COUNTIES ON THE MAP BELOW INDICATE THE NUMBER OF NESTS RECORDED FOR THE COUNTY. WHERE NO FIGURES APPEAR, NO NESTS WERE REPORTED FOR THE 1968 SEASON. THE MAP SHOWS DISTRIBUTION FOR 623 NESTS, AN AVERAGE OF 19 NESTS PER COUNTY.







THE ABOVE GRAPH IS ONE EXAMPLE OF THE TYPE OF USE TO WHICH THE NEST RECORDS SUBMITTED TO THE NORTH AMERICAN PROGRAM CAN BE PUT LOCALLY BY N.M.O.S.

DURING THE PAST YEAR A NUMBER OF PEOPLE HAVE SENT IN RECORDS FROM PREVIOUS SEASONS, IN MANY CASES FILLING IN CAPS IN THE RECORD. THESE RECORDS ARE VALUABLE AND ARE APPRECIATED. NEVERTHELESS, IT BECOMES MORE AND MORE DIFFICULT TO KEEP THE RECORDS UP TO DATE AS PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM GROWS. HENCE, WE MAKE THIS PLEA THAT ANYONE WITH NEST RECORDS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS SUBMIT THEM TO THE SECRETARY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.