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CORRIGENDA

Vol. XIII, No. 1, p. 16: The 5 Golden-crowned Kinglets near Santa Fe 12/17 were seen by Hugh Kingery, not William Stone.

<u>ADDENDA</u>

Vol. XIII, No. 1, p. 10: Details have been received on the following identifications: White-winged Dove at San Ildefonso—chunkier than a Mourning Dove, tail rounded with two large square patches on its end, a large rectangular white patch in each wing; early Western Kingbird at Bosque del Apache NWR—gray head, yellow belly, black tail edged white; early Lazuli Bunting at same place—blue head and neck, latter bordered by pink that extended down sides, remaining underparts white (William Stone).

Weather as much as the birdlife highlighted the reporting period, as the deep drought of the summer gave way to heavy percipitation over much of the state in late summer and autumn. The rains were apparently to late for such species as Lark Buntings in the east and Cassin's Sparrows in the southwest, as neither was reported as present or breeding in these areas in early summer. Long-billed Curlews were scarce, and Western Meadowlarks appeared not to range as far south in summer as in 1973. In spite of the drought, Mountain Plovers seemed to thrive, and a new breeding locality was found in the northwest. The waterbird colony at Elephant Butte Lake continued to flourish, with two species of cormorant and three of herons breeding there; herons also bred in several other localities, including Great Blue Herons for the first time recorded at Mule Creek. Flammulated Owls were found breeding in good numbers in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains above Santa Fe, and a family of Spotted Owls was located near Cochiti. Hummingbirds swarmed at feeders, probably due to a shortage of wildflowers in our dry state.

Among the more interesting vagrants of the summer were several Rose-breasted Grosbeaks, including one in the coniferous forest zone of Mt. Taylor, and a Brown Thrasher near Magdalena. Western Grebes and Rivoli's Hummingbirds were among the summering species for which proof of breeding remains to be found. Other species such as Cattle Egret, Little Blue Heron, and American Goldfinches also occur often enough to suggest themselves as candidates for breeding in the state, as has recently proved to be the case with the White-faced Ibis. A male Blue-throated Hummingbird appeared at Silver City.

The well-watered lowlands of the state offered resting places for many shorebirds during the autumn, producing among other things a spate of records of such usually scarce species as Semipalmated plover and Pectoral Sandpiper. Red-breasted Nuthatches, Golden-crowned Kinglets, Cedar Waxwings, bluebirds, and Townsend's Solitaires staged incursions of varying scales into nonbreeding areas, and reports were frequent of Rough-legged Hawks and Bald Eagles. Among the scarcer visitants, multiple reports were received of Anna's Hummingbird and such warblers as Black and White, Nashville, Black-throated Blue, Black-throated Green, Northern Waterthrush, and American Redstart. A few Cassin's Finches materialized, but carduelines such as the Evening Grosbeak and Red Grossbill were apparently rare in the period. Sandhill Cranes arrived on time but numbers were low until late in the autumn, probably due to the birds lingering in the north.

Among the more startling vagrants were window-killed first state specimens of Black-billed Cuckoo and Cape May Warbler from the Silver City area, along with the following sight records: Wood Stork at Fleasanton, Broad-billed Hummingbird at Los Alamos, Red-faced Warbler (photographed) at La Cueva, Tennessee Warbler near Las Cruces, Blackburnian and Bay-breasted Warblers at Roded, and the second state record of a Baltimore (Northern) Oriole—at Rattlesnake Springs. A possible Great Crested Flycatcher was also reported at the last locality, but the difficulty of identification of the members of this genus (Myjarchus) prevents more than tentative acceptance of the report.

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COMMON LOON Singles at Bitter Lake NWR 10/18 and 11/1 (DB) and at Las cruces 11/16 and 11/24 (BP).

HORNED GREBE

1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/7 (GZ), 2 at Bitter Lake NWR 11/3 (JH), up to 11 at Evans Lake 9/18-26—including 1 in partial breeding plumage (RD, DZ), and 1 near San Luis Pass 9/28 (DZ+).

Many at Burford Lake 6/29, with 3 nests found (CH); 7 at Bitter Lake NWR 6/14 were late spring migrants (DB). Autumn migrants included several at Morgan Lake 9/22-25 (SP, DT), 10 near Santa Rosa 9/27 (KG), present at Burford Lake NWR 8/22-11/28, with 116 on 10/4 (DB+), 3 at Evans Lake 9/27 (DZ) and 10/27 (RF), and present at White Sands NM 9/15 and 11/4-8 (GM).

WESTERN GREBE

Summer records only at Burford Lake on 6/22 (JD, PF) and 1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 6/8-22 (GZ). Migrants in autumn included 1 found alive in a yard in Peralta, Valencia Co., in mid-Oct. (Pete Nylander), 35 at Elephant Butte Lake in mid-Sept. (ML) and 100+ there 11/27 (BP), up to 7 at Evans Lake 10/19-11/23 (WB), 1 at Las Cruces 10/31 (BP), and 1 near Alamogordo 9/15 (BP) and 50-75 there 11/20 (GM).

PIED-BILLED GREBE

Autumn migrants included 1-3 at Pleasanton 10/24 (JH), near Rodeo 10/14 (RS), near Buckeye 9/28-29 and Lovington 9/27 (JH), plus 10 at Lake Roberts 10/20 (RF) and up to 12 at White Sands NM 11/18-27 (CM).

Probable late spring transients were 2 at Elephant Butte Lake 6/5 (CH).

Autumn concentrations were present at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/27-10/17, with
150 on 10/9 (GZ), Bitter Lake NWR 9/25-11/7—peak 444 on 10/11 (DB+), and Elephant Butte Lake, with 100 on 10/5 and only 1 on 11/10 (CH); also 1 landed at Portales 9/24 and stayed several days after transported to Oasis SP (A. L. Gennaro), plus 1 at Lake Roberts 10/16 (JR) and 3 near Carlsbad 11/19 (JLS).

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT

Breeding at Elephant Butte Lake 6/5 and 7/9, with over 100 young produced; 1004 there 10/5 and 120+ 11/9-10 (CH, LH). Present at Bitter Lake NWR 8/9-11/14 (DB+), with 13 there 11/3 (JH).

OLIVACEOUS CORMORANT

3 adults at nests on Elephant Butte Lake on 7/9, with a single bird seen there 11/10 (CH).

GREAT BLUE HERON

Breeding occurred in the Watrous area (WH), near Cliff, and at the Heart-Bar Ranch north of Silver City (RF); also 2 nests found at Mule Creek 6/15 (RF). Other summer records were up to 3 birds at Bitter Lake NWR-plus peak of 28 there 11/28 (DB+) and 4 at Elephant Butte Lake 7/9—plus 25+ there 9/14-15 (CH). Autumn records include 1-3 near Grants 9/2 (McK), near Rodeo 11/8 (GS), at White Sands NM 10/21 (CM), and near Buckeye 9/29 (JH).

GREEN HERON

Pair nesting at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH), peak of 25 birds at Bitter Lake NWR 6/21, where nesting confirmed—and autumn peak there 75 on 8/9 and last seen were 6 on 9/13 (DB+), and 3 at Elephant Butte Lake 7/9-10 (CH). Singles near Fruitland 9/23 (SP, DT) and at La Joya SGR 11/17 (KG).

LITTLE BLUE HERON
1 at Bitter Lake NWR 7/6 and 2-3 on 8/22 and 8/30 (DB+).

EGRET SP.

A small egret was seen on the San Juan River east of Bloomfield on 11/10 (JLS).

CATTLE EGRET

near Roswell 10/22 (PW), 11/1 (BS), and 11/28 (DB), and 6 south of Lovington on 9/27 (MC, JH).

COMMON EGRET

Six nests with young at Elephant Butte Lake 7/9 (CH), where several birds present 9/14-15 (ML); 1 near Fruitland in early June (AN, DT) was a late spring migrant. 1 at White Sands NM 11/23 (GM).

SNOWY EGRET
75-100 nests at Elephant Butte Lake—with eggs 6/5 and young 7/9 (CH) and up to 5 summered at Bitter Lake NWR—with young on 6/28 (DB, GD); also 3 birds at Tucumcari Lake 6/15 (CH) and 1 near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF).

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

25 young at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH), several at Bitter Lake NWR 6/28 (DB, GD), and 200+ nests at Elephant Butte Lake 6/5 and 7/9 (CH); also 2 birds near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF). An immature at Lake Roberts 10/20 (RF).

YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

1 reported without details near Roswell 8/31 (JSi, MW).

LEAST BITTERN

3 at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH) and present near Isleta 6/8 (JD).

AMERICAN BITTERN

Summered at Bitter Lake NWR, with a nest found 6/28 (DB, GD).

An adult appeared at Pleasanton on 7/21, for the first Catron Co. record; details include large size, white plumage except for black flight and tail feathers, and blackish head, neck, and bill (LS).

WHITE-FACED IBIS

Summer records were of 1-2 at Fruitland 6/5 or 6/7 (AN, DT), Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH), Bitter Lake NWR 6/28—where also present 8/9-11/30, with 34 on 9/4-6 (DB+), and Elephant Butte Lake 6/4 (CH)—with 2 there 9/14-15 (ML).

CANADA GOOSE
21 young produced at Bosque del Apache NWR (GZ), while 56 summered at Bitter Lake NWR, but only 1 young was successfully raised (DB, GD); 1 at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH).

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE 5-6 at McAlister Lake 11/28 (WH) and 11/30 (JH), plus 1 at Bitter Lake NWR 11/1-20 (DB) and 5 at Bosque del Apache NWR 11/14 (GZ).

First of autumn was 1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/17, with 12,000 there 11/30 (GZ), and 6 at Bitter Lake NWR 9/25, with peak 14,000 on 11/22 (DB+); other records include 2 at Morgan Lake 11/14 (DT), 40 at McAlister Lake 11/30 (JH), total of 42 at La Cueva SGR and on Conchas, Ute, and Tucumcari Lakes 11/18 (JLS), 4 each on Alamogordo and Caballo Lakes 11/19 (JLS), and singles in the Las Cruces area 11/18-24 (BP).

ROSS GOOSE

l at McAlister Take 11/30, 300 at Bosque del Apache NWR 11/30 (GZ), and 125 at Bitter Lake NWR 11/20 (DB).

About 250 young produced at Bitter Lake NWR (DB, DG); also a female with a brood at Buckhorn 6/2 (RF).

MEXICAN DUCK
Up to 17 near Rodeo in june (RS) and 3 near Las Cruces 9/27 (BP).

PINTAIL

1 near Fruitland in early June (AN, DT) was probably a late spring migrant, whereas 5 at San Simon Cienega 8/11 (RS) were early autumn migrants; 3 near Buckeye 9/28 (JH).

GREEN-WINGED TEAL

Single broods reported at Canjilon Lake 7/7 (RFR) and Bitter Lake NWR 6/28 (DB, GD); 4 near Fruitland in early June (AN, DT) were probably late spring migrants.

BLUE-WINGED TEAL

3 broods seen at Bitter Lake NWR (DB, GD); also 2 birds present at San Simon Cienega 6/25 (Eugene and Steven Cardiff).

Records include 7 at Fruitland 6/5-7 and 3 9/22-25 (DT+) and 20 at San Simon Cienega 8/11 (RS).

BLUE-WINGED/CINNAMON TEAL 672 near Fruitland 9/22-25 (SP, DT), peak 8680 at Bitter Lake NWR 9/27--with last being 350 on 11/28 (DB), 49 at Rosebud 9/6-8 and 8 near Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), and 92 in the Lovington area 9/28 (JH) to 10/7 (GS).

AMERICAN WIGEON

Early was 1 near Luna 9/2 (McK); present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning with 965 on 9/13, with peak 45,000 on 10/11 (DB+).

SHOVELER 50 near Buckeye on 9/28 (JH).

1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 6/22-with up to 5 10/1-16 (GZ); also 5 near Albuquerque 11/17 (CH) and 1 at Bitter Lake NWR 10/25 (DB).

REDHEAD

Female found incubating 10 eggs at Burford Lake 6/29 (CH) and brood Bosque del Apache NWR 6/26 (GZ); 8 birds at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH). Present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 9/27, with peak 430 on 11/22 (DB); 325 near Las Vegas and 150 at Maxwell NWR 11/18 (JLS).

RING-NECKED DUCK

Present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 9/27, with peak 250 on 11/22 (DB+).

Present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 10/11, with peak 1475 on 11/7 (BS); 300 near Las Vegas on 11/18 (JLS).

LESSER SCAUP Present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 9/27, with peak 490 on 11/7 (DB+).

COMMON GOLDENEYE

Present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 8/9, with peak 17 on 11/22 (DB+); 50 at McAlister Lake 11/30 (JH).

BUFFLEHEAD

Present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 10/18, with peak 678 on 11/7 (DB+).

RUDDY DUCK A nest with eggs at Burford Lake 6/29 (CH). Peak at Bitter Lake NWR was 15,030 on 10/11 (DB+); also 1 at Lovington 9/27-30 (JH).

HOODED MERGANSER

1 at Bitter Lake NWR 11/17 (BS).

COMMON MERGANSER

Female with brood near Gila Cliff Dwellings 7/28 (AN).

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER

1 seen near Alamogordo 11/25 (BP).

TURKEY VULTURE

Bred at Bitter Lake NWR, where peak was 150 on 8/16 and last were 2 on 10/4 (DB, BS); other late dates were Santa Fe 9/23 (JF), Cedar Crest 9/25 (JS), near Las Vegas 10/3 (Dick Beidleman), Lovington 10/5 (GS), Acomita, Valencia Co. 10/7 (MC, JH), Mimbres Valley 10/13-14 and Burro Mts. 10/20 (GS).

Summer records were up to 6 at Albuquerque 7/11-8/3 (0. van Buskirk+), a first-year bird at Cedar Crest 6/11-22 (McK+), 1-2 at Bosque del Apache NWR in June (GZ) and on 7/27 (MW), and 1 at Bitter Lake NWR 8/13 (DB); also 1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/13 (GZ).

Records were of singles in the Sacramento Mts. 6/26 (MW), La Joya SGR 11/17 (MC, JH), and near Hillsboro 11/30 (JT+).

COOPER'S HAWK Reported to have bred in the Santa Fe Ski Basın (AS).

SMAINSON'S HAWK
Bred at White Sands NM (CM); a dark phase bird seen at Bitter Lake NWR 7/19
(DB, JC). Autumn concentrations of about 20-35 birds were seen near Moriarty
9/28 (RT), Oscuro 9/18 (MC, GS), Hurley 9/25 (DZ+) and 10/6 (WB), and at Las
Cruces 10/7 (fide BP). Late dates in addition to some of the above were
Santa Rosa 9/29 (KG), Moriarty 9/30 (MC, JH), near Caprock 10/7 (GS), and near
Lordsburg 10/12 (DZ+).

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK

Tanky dates of autumn migrants included 1-3 at Eagle Nest 10/18 (RB), Mimbres Valley 10/20 (RF), Las Cruces 10/25 (BP), and Bitter Lake 10/31 (DB, BS); also 3 near Encino 11/3-4, 2 near Vaughn 11/4, 1 near Willard and 1 near Claunch, Socorro Co., 11/8 (MC, JH). Other November records included mainly singles at Mt. Taylor (MC, JH), T or C (GS), near Cliff (WB), near Rodeo (RS), White Sends NW (CM), and 12 in 855 miles in the continued on 11/30 (BH+) Sands NM (GM), and 12 in 855 miles in the southwest on 11/30 (BH+).

FERRUGINOUS HAWK

Found nesting near Fruitland in early June (AN, DT).

<u>BLACK HAWK</u> 2 in Mimbres Valley 9/30 (MMc, JR); last in Gila Valley 1 on 10/5 (DZ).

At least 16 adults and 3 immatures counted in Las Vegas to Vermejo Park area in period 11/18-11/30 (many observers); also 1 adult at Bosque del Apache NWR on 11/30 (GZ) and 1 immature near Roswell 10/19 (MW).

MARSH HAWK

A few summered at Bitter Lake NWR (DB, BS) and 1 was reported at White Sands NM 6/13 and 8/12 (GM); first of autumn near Silver City on 9/24 (DZ).

A pair summered at Bonito Lake, Lincoln Co., but no nest was seen (Rick Flowers); 1 at Elephant Butte Lake 7/9 (CH). Autumn records were of singles at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/1 and 9/27 (GZ), Bitter Lake NWR 8/23-24 (BS, MW), Pleasanton 9/24 (LS), and near Cliff 9/18 (DC, DZ).

PEREGRINE FALCON

Reports received of 6 in the period 10/28-11/30, plus 1 in Bernalillo Co. on 9/6 (fide DD). Specific reports will not be given on Peregrine sightings to avoid promoting any harrassment of the species.

MERLIN

Singles near Pena Blanca 11/15 (WS) and near Silver City 11/23 (WB).

AMERICAN KESTREL

Autumn concentrations were noted between Datil and Aragon, with 63 there on 9/2 (JH) and 86 on 9/14 (BH); also 58 on 9/28 and 56 on 9/29 in 30 miles of driving on each date near Silver City (DZ+).

7 in the San Pedro Peaks area 8/20-21 and 1 near Mora 8/9 (KG).

BOBWHITE

12 near Ft. Sumner 6/18 (DB, JC).

GAMBEL'S QUAIL

Pair with young at Mule Creek 6/15 (RF).

MONTEZUMA QUAIL

Reports included 6 on Black and Sapillo creeks-north of Pinos Altos-in the period 7/26-8/6 (GS), 7 in the Burro Mts. 10/20 (GS), 5 at Mule Creek 6/15 (RF), and 15 near Tillie Hall Peak 11/15 (GS).

12 at Bosque del Apache NWR 11/24 (WS).

SANDHILL CRANE

Earliest autumn arrivals were 3 near Rosebud 9/7 (KG), 2 at Bosque del Apache NWR 9/9—peak 3000 10/15 (GZ), 4 near Buckeye 9/29 (JH), 3 at Bitter Lake NWR 10/3—with peak 12,300 on 10/22 (BS+), Los Alamos—Espanola area 10/9 (fide WS), and 87 near Cliff on 10/27 (RF); also 100+ at McAlister Lake 11/30 (JH), 40 in the Rio Grande Valley at the Sierra-Dona Ana county line 11/27 (BP), and 1000 near Columbus 11/12 (GS).

Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DB); also 2 near Fruitland 6/5 or 6/7—plus 3 11/13 (DT+) and 1 near Isleta 7/15 (RT). Autumn migrants west of Silver City 9/26-27 (DZ+) and 3 at Dripping Vat Spring, Laguna Rs., Valencia Co. 11/22 (JH).

SORA

Bred Bitter Lake NWR (DB). Autumn migrants at Santa Fe 9/14 (JH) and Silver City area 8/6 and 9/26-27 (DZ); 2 near Fruitland 11/13 (SP, DT).

Young at La Joya SGR 8/3 (RFR) and Bitter Lake NWR 7/12 (DB, GD).

Breeding records included Elephant Butte Lake (CH), Glenwood (JH), Buckhorn (RF), and White Sands NM (GM). Autumn migrants included 16 at Lovington 9/27-30 (MC, JH); autumn peak at Bitter Lake NWR was 58,835 on 10/18 (DB+).

SEMIPALMATED PLOVER

Singles at Morgan Lake 9/23 (SP, DT), Mesilla Dam on the very late dates of 11/22 and 11/25 (BP, RR), and Lovington 9/30 (JH).

SNOWY PLOVER

Summer peak at Bitter Lake NWR 356 on 7/19, with last being 60 seen on 8/23 (DB+); 1 near Lordsburg 10/12 (DZ+).

KILLDEER
2 at Deming 6/2 (CC) and at White Sands NM through June (CM). Autumn reports included 1 at Rosebud 9/8 (KG), 2 near Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), and 30 in Lovington area 9/28-30 (JH).

MOUNTAIN PLOYER

3 adults and a nest with eggs were found south of Fruitland on 6/1 (AN, DT) for the first breeding record for San Juan Co.; 24 near Grenville 6/16 (KS), 4 near Wagon Mound 6/21 (JT), and 2 near Santo Domingo, Santa Fe Co. 6/22 (JD, PF). Autumn reports were of 25 near Rosebud on 9/7 (KG) and about 75 near Estancia on 9/26 (RT+).

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER 6 at Morgan Lake 9/29 (HL) and 1-3 at Bitter Lake NWR 9/30-10/17 (DB+) and on $10/26 \, (MW)$

COMMON SNIPE

Reports include 12 near Silver City on 10/5 (DZ) and 2 at Buckeye 9/27 (JH).

LONG-BILLED CURLEN

The only summer report was of 9 near Wagon Mound on 6/21 (JT). Autumn reports were 5-6 at Elephant Butte Lake 9/14-15 (ML), 4 at Rosebud 9/7 (KG), and at least 30 near Lovington 9/27-28 (MC, JH) and 10/4 (GS).

2 reported without details at Bitter Lake NWR 6/9 (DB, EB).

UPLAND PLOVER

Seen at East Grand Plains, Chaves Co., on 8/18 (MW).

SPOTTED SANDPIPER

Summer records of uncertain significance include reports of 1-3 birds near Fruitland 6/1-7 and Burnham 6/5 (AN, DT), San Antonio area 6/4 (CC), Bitter Lake NWR 6/9 (DB), and Elephant Butte Lake 6/6 (CH). Autumn records include Bitter Lake NWR 8/9-9/19—peak 9 on 8/22 (DB+), several at White Sands NM 8/15 (CM), and 1 at Lovington 9/30 (JH).

SOLITARY SANDPIPER
1 near Rodeo 8/2-9 (RS).

12 at Bosque del Apache NWR 7/14 (GZ) and 3 at Bitter Lake NWR 7/6 and 1 on 9/13 (DB+).

GREATER YELLOWLEGS

1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 7/11 (GZ) and 3 at Buckeye 9/27 (JH).

LESSER YELLOWLEGS

l at Bosque del Apache NWR on 7/11 (GZ) and 1 at San Simon Cienega 8/11 (RS); and 20 in the Lovington area 9/27-30 (JH).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER

An unusual number of records were obtained of this species, including 3 near Fruitland 9/23 (SP, DT), 1 near Silver City 9/27 (WB, DZ), 1 near Rodeo 6/14 (RS), 1 near Mesilla 11/22 (BP, RR), and 7 at Lovington 9/30 (JH).

BAIRD'S SANDPIPER

4 near Lordsburg 10/12 (DZ+) and 3 at Lovington 9/30 (JH).

LEAST SANDPIPER

1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 7/23 (CZ) and at San Simon Cienega 8/11 (RS), many in autumn along the Rio Grande Valley in Dona Ana Co. (BP), and 75 at Lovington 9/30 (JH).

LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER

1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 7/14 and 7/23 (CZ); also 50 at Morgan Lake 10/12 (AN+) and 29 near Lordsburg 10/12 (DZ+).

WESTERN SANDPIPER

175 at Bitter Lake NWR 7/6 and present again 8/9-9/19, with peak 472 (DB+).

MARBLED GODWIT 1-2 at Bitter Lake NWR 8/13-9/13 (DB+).

SANDERLING 2 near Lordsburg 9/28 (DZ+).

AMERICAN AVOCET

ANERTICAN AUGUST

Nesting at Burford Lake 6/22 (JD, PF), first young at Bitter Lake NWR 6/21—
where peak 108 birds 8/9 and last 2 on 11/1 (DB+), and 2-4 at White Sands NM
through June—with up to 10 8/7-9/13 (CM). Autumn records include 1 near
Fruitland 11/11-14 (SP, DT), 15 at Rosebud 9/7 (KG), 1 at Elephant Butte Lake
10/5 (CH, LH), up to 30 near Lordsburg 9/12-10/12 (DZ+), 50 near Alamogordo
9/15 (BP), and 4 near Caprock 10/5-7 (GS).

BLACK-NECKED STILT

West with eggs at La Joya SCR 6/4 (JLS), first young at Bitter Lake NWR 6/21—with peak of birds 350 on 8/9 and last 20 on 9/6 (DB+), and nested at White Sands NM in June—with last 9/12 (CM); also 10 near Alamogordo 9/15 (BP).

WILSON'S PHALAROPE

Summer vagrants (?) reported at Burford Lake 6/22 (JD, PF), 60 females on 6/27 and 50 of both sexes on 7/29 at Bitter Lake NWR-where also present 8/9-9/19 with peak 1250 on 8/16 (DB+), and 2 at Bosque del Apache NWR 6/12 (GZ). Other autumn reports were 1 at San Simon Cienega 8/11 (RS), 25-100 at White Sands NM 8/8-9/5 (GM), and 2 at Lovington 9/30 (JH).

NORTHERN PHALAROPE

Up to 5 reported at Morgan Lake 9/24 (SP, DT).

HERRING GULL

1-4 reported at Morgan Lake 9/24 (SP, DT), Bosque del Apache NWR on 10/15 (GZ), Bitter Lake NWR 11/14 and 11/28 (DB+), Elephant Butte Lake 11/27 (BP, RR), and near Lordsburg 9/28 (DZ+).

RING-BILLED CULL
1 at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH); also present at Bitter Lake NWR beginning 9/27, with peak 560 on 11/28 (DB+).

1-3 at Bitter Lake NWR 6/9 and 6/14 (DB) and 1 Elephant Butte Lake 11/9-10 (CH).

BONAPARTE'S GULL

2 at Elephant Butte Lake 11/27 and 10 at Las Cruces 11/15 (BP, RR).

FORSTER'S TERN Records include Morgan Lake 6/22 (JD, PF) and up to 20 at Bitter Lake NWR 7/19 (DB, EB) and 8/24 and 9/27 (MW).

LEAST TERN
Peak of 27 at Bitter Lake 7/19, with last on 8/27 (RS)

CASPIAN TERN 2 at Bitter Lake NWR 9/13; details include large size, red bill, and distinctive call checked on bird record (MW). This species is still not substantiated in the state.

BLACK TERN

Summer records—presumably of non-breeders—were from Morgan Lake on 6/22 (JD, PF)—where also present 9/22-25 (SP, DT), 5 at Tucumcari Lake 6/16 (CH), 23 on 6/6 and 3 on 7/6 at Bitter Lake NWR—where also present 8/9-9/19 with a peak of 45 on 8/16 (DB+), and 2 at Bosque del Apache NWR 6/18 (GZ). Other records include 1 near Cliff 9/18 (DZ) and 8 at White Sands NM 8/8 (CM).

Records include 6 in Los Alamos 7/31 (BL), 1 at Cedar Crest 6/6 and 2 on 8/24 for the only summer records there (McK), 24+ in San Mateo Mts. 8/31 (McK), 75 in the Burro Mts. 10/20 (GS), and 2 in the Organ Mts. 9/1 and 25 on 9/13 (BP).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE 2 at Mule Creek 7/15 (RF), 1 near Silver City 7/30 (MMc), and present at Las Cruces until at least 10/31 (BP).

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO

Early summer dates include singles at Bitter Lake NWR 6/3 (DB) and Kirtland 6/16 (CS); also a nest with eggs at Elephant Butte Lake 7/10 (CH). Umusual was 1 at Cedar Crest 7/28-31 (McK) and a probable at Sandia Park 7/24 (MH), and 1 near Cliff 10/6 (BP) was late.

BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO

1 was found injured in Silver City on 9/13 and has been preserved as a specimen (DZ). This is the first verified and apparently the second record for N.M.

Nested at Bitter Lake NWR (DB, JC); other records were of singles at Albuquerque 6/5-6 (Oleta Saunders), near Silver City 10/6 (WB), and near Deming 11/8 (RF).

SCREECH OWL
Records include 1 in Espanola on 10/27 (fide JH), an immature at Alameda on 6/6 (CH), 1 adult and 4 immatures in Albuquerque 6/21-7/12—the fourth summer at that locality that young have been raised (PB+), and 1 near Lemitar 7/11 (CH); also 1-2 near Reserve 10/5-6 (MCK) and 1 at Tyrone 11/6 (DZ).

FLAMMULATED OWL

8 pairs summered in the vicinity of the Santa Fe Ski Basin, 8600-10,400 ft., with breeding verified 6/29-7/23 (AS); 2 adults and a young bird near Mora 8/9 (KG).

GREAT HORNED OWL

Bred at White Sands NM (GM).

ELF OWL Last of autumn near Silver City recorded on 9/29 (MM).

Summer records include small numbers near Fruitland in June-with latest on 9/22-23 (AN+), Grenville on 6/16 (KS), near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF), near Rodeo 6/29 (RF), and at Bitter Lake NWR, where young seen 7/12 (DB, GD). Other records include 1-3 at Rosebud 9/7-8 (KG), Santa Rosa 9/28-29 (KG), near Deming 11/14 (MC, JH), Las Cruces 11/15 (BP), and at Lovington 9/30-10/5 (JH+).

SPOTTED OWL A family was found in Peralta Canyon near Cochiti (Dan Liebelt) and 1 killed in the Pinos Altos Mts. 11/11 (fide DZ).

SAW-WIET OWL
The fresh feathers of an adult were found at the "plucking post" of a Cooper's Hawk in June near the Santa Fe Ski Basin (AS).

COMMON NIGHTHAWK

Early summer dates include Albuquerque on 6/3 (DD), Santa Fe 6/6 (WS), Kirtland 6/16 (CS), and Cedar Crest 6/17 (McK). Autumn records include 50 near Magdalena 8/4 (McK), and late dates of 20 at Portales 9/26 (JH), 2 at Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), and 1 near Silver City 10/27 (Rr).

LESSER NIGHTHAWK

Summer records include 1-4 in June near San Antonio (CC), Elephant Butte Lake (CH), and Deming (CC).

WHITE-THROATED SWIFT

Two nests with young found near Socorro on 7/11 (CH); 2 at Albuquerque 6/8 (DD). Last at Silver City were 2 on 9/27 (RD, DZ).

HUMMINGBIRD SPP.

Reported as very numerous by most observers; last unidentified hummer at Pleasanton 9/29 (LS), at Cedar Crest 10/1 (McK), and at Albuquerque 10/15 and 10/21 (DD).

BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD

Nested at Bitter Lake NWR (DB, EB) and Elephant Butte Lake (CH). Last at Albuquerque 9/20 (DD), Pleasanton 9/25 (LS), and Silver City 9/30 (MZ).

ANNA'S HUMMINGBIRD

Up to 5 immature males at Silver City 10/3-11/26 (DZ+), and 1 in the Organ Mts. 9/13-where possibly up to 3 may have been present to 11/15 (BP).

BROAD-TAILED HUMINGBIRD

Last of autumn were females/immature males to 10/1 at La Cueva (MS) and Sandia Park (MH) and 9/30 at Silver City-where last adult male 9/10 (DZ).

RUFOUS HUMMINGBIRD

Early dates for arriving autumn migrants were Pleasanton on 6/28 (IS), Santa Fe (WS) and the east side of the Sandias (fide McK) on 7/1, and Albuquerque 7/7 (PB, DD); late dates for adult males were Silver City 9/10--immature to 10/6 (MM, DZ) and La Cueva 9/17 (MS).

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD Reports of 1-3 in the period 7/10-7/21 received from Sandia Park (MH), Tijeras (PB), Pleasanton (IS), and Silver City (RF); a female reported north of Silver City on 10/29-30 (NM) is extremely late if accurately identified.

BLUE-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD

A male was present at Silver City 6/29 and for about a week thereafter; large size, blue throat, and white tail tips noted (MM).

A male reported at Eagle Nest 6/24-27 (RB), another at Pleasanton 6/1-15 and 7/1-13 and a female 7/12-23 (IS), a pair at Lake Roberts first two weeks of July (RF), and a female north of Silver City on 8/3 (MM); also a large, dark hummingbird at La Cueva 5/18, 6/1, and 7/7 may well have been this species (MS).

BROAD-BILLED HUMMINGBIRD Extraordinary was an adult male reported at Los Alamos for two weeks in mid-June; details include dark green plumage with blue throat and small white "ear" streak, red bill (BL+).

BELTED KINGFISHER

Summer records were of singles on Sapillo Creek, Pinos Altos Mts., on 7/26 and 8/6 (GS) and at Bitter Lake NMR 7/16 (R.L. Downing). Autumn reports included mainly singles at Las Vegas 8/20-31 (WH), Grants 9/2 (McK), Bitter Lake NWR beginning 10/4 (DB+), Aragon 10/6 (McK), and in the Lovington area 9/29-30 (JH).

COMMON FLICKER

A Yellow-shafted bird was seen at Silver City 11/7-15 (AZ) and 2 were at Bitter Lake NWR 10/16 (JC). Young Redshafts were observed in a nest near Lemitar on 7/11 (CH); autumn migrants included early arrivals at Bitter Lake NMR on 8/29 (JC), Albuquerque 10/3 (DD), and White Sands NM 11/20 (CK), plus 2-3 birds seen at Rosebud 9/6-7 and near Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG).

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER

Records were 1 adult and 1 immature near Albuquerque 8/24 (RT) and 3 birds 6/14-8/3 (MW) and 1 on 9/25 (DB) near Roswell.

 $\underline{\mathtt{ACORN}}$ WOODPECKER Young were present in the Magdalena Mts. on 6/7 (CH) and at Mule Creek 7/15 (RF); also the species was present near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF) and in the Organ Mts. 9/1 (BP).

LEWIS' WOODPECKER
Summered at Las Vegas (WH) and 1 seen at Springer 7/4 (MW); 6 at La Cueva 8/31 (MS), up to 20 at Los Alamos—where rare—beginning 9/4 (BL), and 1 in Reserve 10/24 (JH). YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER

Bred at Canjilon Lakes (RFR) and Sandia Park (NH); seen near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF). Early autumn migrants were Kirtland 9/18 (CS), Silver City 9/22 (DZ), and Bitter Lake NMR 10/16 (JC).

WILLIAMSON'S SAPSUCKER

Bred at Canjilon Iakes (RFR), near Santa Fe (WS), Mt. Taylor, Sandia and Magdalena Mts. (RFR); also present near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, FF) and a male seen in the Pinos Altos Mts. 7/15 (AN). Autumn migrants included singles at Cedar Crest 8/15 (JS) and 10/9 (McK), Roswell 9/14 (MW), and near Furley 0/25 (JS) 9/25 (DZ+).

HAIRY WOODPECKER

6 on Tillie Hall peak 11/15 (JH).

DOWNY WOODPECKER

Pair near Jemez Pueblo 6/21 (JD, PF) and at Cedar Crest beginning 8/12 (McK); singles at Pleasanton 10/24-25 (JH) and at Roswell 8/8, 8/25, and once in Nov. (MW).

LADDER-BACKED WOODPECKER

l near La Cienega 6/8 (JT).

EASTERN KINGBIRD
1 in Santa Fe on 9/10 (KG).

WESTERN KINGBIRD

Late dates in autumn include mainly singles at Las Vegas (WH) and Rosebud (KG) on 9/8, Silver City 9/23 and Cliff 9/26 (DZ), and Dexter 9/30 (JH).

Summer records include 2 near Grenville 6/16 (KS) and 11 near Deming 6/2 (CC). Late dates in autumn include Santa Fe 9/18 (JH), Silver City on 9/23 (DZ), Animas Valley on 9/28 (DZ+), and Roswell 9/30 (JH).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER

1 at Bosque del Apache NWR 7/21 (GZ); late autumn records were 1 near Milnesand 9/27, 19 near Lovington 9/27-29 (JH) and 1 on 10/4 (GS), and 1 at Dexter 9/30 (JH).

GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER

A bird thought to be this species was seen at Rattlesnake Springs on 9/7 (MS); details are being studied, but at best a sight record would only be tentative because of the difficulties involved in distinguishing members of this group of

ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER

Bred at Sandia Park (MH), Cedar Crest (McK), Bitter Lake NWR (DB), Lemitar and Elephant Butte Lake (CH).

EASTERN PHOEBE 2 at Glenwood 10/25; details include olive green upperparts, darker crown, wings, and tail, pale yellow underparts except for gray throat, light wing edgings but not wing bars, teil-pumping, sharp chip note like that of Black Phoebe (JH).

BLACK PHOEBE

Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DL); seen at Espanola 6/22 (JD, PF).

SAY'S PHOEBE Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DB) and White Sands NM (CM); 2 at Rosebud 9/7 (KG).

WILLOW FLYCATCHER Nesting at Alameda 6/23 and 7/6 and at Elephant Butte Lake 7/9-10 (CH).

HAMMOND FLYCATCHER

1 banded at Cedar Crest 10/10 (McK) was late.

GRAY FLYCATCHER

2 present near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT) and 1 south of Animas 9/28 (DZ+).

WESTERN WCOD PEWEE
Nesting at Kirtland 6/19 (CS). Late dates in autumn were La Cueva 9/9 (MS), Albuquerque 9/21 (CA), and Las Vegas 9/29 (WH).

OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER

Present near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF). Autumn migrants included singles at Santa Fe 9/2 (WS) and Albuquerque 8/25 (RN) and 9/4-5 (DD).

VERMILION FLYCATCHER

5 including a fledgling at Mule Creek 6/15 (RF) and species seen at Roswell 6/22 (MW); a female at Cochiti on 11/18 (WS) was both out-of-range and late.

HORNED LARK

Numbers were unaccountably low between Lordsburg and Duncan, Ariz., from mid-Sept. to early Nov., but increased afterward (DZ).

VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW

Nesting on Mt. Taylor on 6/23 (RFR); presumably late spring migrants were singles at Fruitland 6/5 or 6/7 (AN, DT) and Deming 6/2 (CC) and 8 near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF). Late autumn reports were Las Vegas on 9/8 (WH) and 3 on Mt. Taylor 10/4 (JH).

TREE SWALLOW Nesting at Chama 6/15 (JD) and at Elephant Butte Lake 7/10 (CH); probably late spring migrants were single bird at Burnham 6/4 (AN, DT) and several at Gila Cliff Dwellings 6/1 (RF). 20 near Mora 8/10 and 30 on San Pedro Peaks 8/20-21

BANK SWALLOW Only report was at Fruitland 9/22-25 (SP, DT).

ROUGE-WINGED SWALLOW

Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DB); also 5 at Fruitland 6/5 or 6/7 (AN, DT) and 1 near Deming 6/2 (CC).

BARN SWALLOW

Nested at Chama (JD), Albuquerque—2 broods—(PB), Sandia Park (MH), and Lordsburg, where nest with small young present 9/14 (DZ). Late dates in autumn were Fruitland 9/25 (SP, DT), Las Vegas 9/27 (WH), Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), Santa Fe 10/2 (WS), Bitter Lake NWR 10/6 (JC), Rio Puerco west of Albuquerque 10/7 (JH), and Lordsburg 10/12 (DZ).

CLIFF SWALLOW Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DB).

4-6 adults and nest on Mt. Taylor on 6/23 (RFR), about 20 east of El Morro NM 7/28 (RT), and 2 south of Magdalena 6/2 (MCK).

Adults and fledglings in Santa Fe Ski Pasin in June and July (WS), 3 in Santa Pedro Peaks 8/20 and 1 near Mora 8/11 (KG).

Singles at Los Ojos, Rio Arriba Co. 11/9-10 and for some time before (fide KG), Tesuque in Nov. (Bill Huey), and Las Vegas 10/21 and 11/25 (WH).

Autumn records include singles at Farmington 10/9 (HL) and in the Burro Mts. 10/20 (GS), plus 5 on Tillie Hall Peak 11/15 (JH).

Records include 8 in Black Canyon north of Pinos Altos 7/31 (GS), 27 in the Burros 9/2-4 (GS), and 30 near Tillie Hall peak 11/15 (JH).

BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE

Adults feeding fledglings at Burford Lake 6/29 (CH); 1 near Fruitland 6/5 or 6/7 (AN, DT) and 28 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT).

COMMON RAVEN
Nesting near Fruitland in June (AN, DT). Autumn records include 5 at McAlister Lake and 3 near Sabinoso 11/30 (JH) and 1 in Las Cruces in mid-Oct. (BP).

WHITE-NECKED RAVEN
2 reported near San Antonio 6/4 (CC); few seen in the southwest after late Sept., with 6 near Lordsburg 9/14 and 15 near Gage 9/28 (DZ). Other autumn reports include 14 over Tillie Hall Peak-calling birds-on 11/15 (JH), 200 near Buckeye 9/28-29 (JH), and 500-600 near Lovington 10/4-5 (GS).

Up to 10 at Cedar Crest 6/4-29 (JS). Autumn records include first flocks at Albuquerque in mid-Oct. (DD) and at Cedar Crest on 10/14 (McK), 200 at Santa Fe and 1 near Clines Corners 11/3, 5 at McAlister Lake 11/30, and 3 at Mountainair and 11 near Ruidoso on 11/8 (JH).

Reports include flock in the Capitan Mts. 7/26 (MW), 2 in the Burro Mts. 9/4 (GS), and near Silver City on 6/16-27 (MMc) and beginning 9/13 (MM).

Adults with young at La Cueva-where last bird seen 10/3 (MS) and at El Forvenir on 6/1 (JD); other summer records include 4 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT). Autumn reports include 6 on Mt. Taylor 10/4 (JH), Reserve area 8/30-9/2 and 10/5-6 (McK), 3 in Magdalena Mts. 11/16 (JH), San Mateo Mts. 8/30 (McK), and 1 near Glenwood 9/1 (JH).

BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE
2 at Alameda 7/6 (CH); also at Ctowi Bridge near Espanola 10/20 (WH).

MOUNTAIN CHICKADEE

6 in the Burro Mts. 9/4 (GS).

BRIDLED TITMOUSE

2 at Pleasanton 10/24-25 (JH).

1 near San Antonio 6/4 (CC).

12 near Eagle Nest at 8450 ft. on 11/3 (RB).

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH

Bred at Sandia Park (MH), and at Mule Creek a pair was feeding fledglings on 6/15 (RF); 3 on Tillie Hall Peak 11/15 (JH).

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH

No summer reports, but rather widespread in the mountains in the autumn and 1 near Roswell 8/29 (JC); other records were near Taos 10/13 (WH), many near Las Vegas 8/28 (WH), several at Cedar Crest beginning 8/12 (McK), Sandia Park (MH), 2 in the Magdalena Mts. 11/16 (JH), 1 on Tillie Hall Peak 11/15 (JH), 1 in the Burros 9/24 (RD, BH) and 16 on 10/20 (GS).

PYGMY NUTHATCH

Reports included 1 in Roswell 9/27 (JS) and 2 on Tillie Hall Peak 11/15 (JH).

BROWN CREEPER

Singles at Kirtland 9/4 (CS) and Alameda 10/20 (CH).

OIFFER Adults and young near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF); 1 near Heart Bar, north of Pinos Altos on 9/24 (GS).

HOUSE WREN

Bred at Canjilon Lakes and on Mt. Taylor (RFR); 1-2 at Albuquerque 8/23-9/24 (DD) and at Bitter Lake NWR 10/2 (DB).

1 reported with no details at Otowi Bridge, near Espanola, on 10/20 (WH).

Numbers appeared to be down in the southwest until late Nov. (DZ), but common through autumn at White Sands NM (GM).

ROCK WREN

5 near Buckeye 9/28-29 (JH).

MOCKINGBIRD

Many summered at Sandia Park (MH), with last at nearby Cedar Crest 1 on 8/27 (JS). Other autumn reports include singles at Taos 11/4 (DG), Rosebud 9/8 and near Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), Roswell 10/3 (GS)—with 75 feeding on Russian olives at Bitter Lake NWR on 8/9 (DB), Pleasanton 10/24-26 (JH), and Silver City 11/27 (DZ).

GRAY CATBIRI

Two pairs fledged young near Alameda on 6/18 and 6/23 (CH); 2 near Ojo Sarco on 6/15 (JT). Autumn reports were singles at Farmington 10/6-13 (FL), Espanola 9/7 (WS), and Taos 9/10 (DG).

Summer records were of singles at Bitter Lake NNR 6/13 (JC, BS) and 10 miles west of Magdalena 6/15 (DL); 1 near Farmington on 9/15 and 9/29 (AN).

BENDIRE'S THRASHER

8 near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF) and 3 south of Magdalena 6/2 (McK).

CURVE-BILLED THRASHER
Records include a nest at Bitter Lake NWR 6/28 (DB), plus 1-5 birds near Santa
Fe 8/21 (JH), near Bernalillo 6/21 (JD, FF), near Ft. Sumner 6/18 (DB, JC), and at Pleasanton 8/30-9/2 (JH).

CRIJSAL THRASHER
Singles at Fleasanton 8/30-9/2 (JH) and at Silver City 9/14 (DZ), plus several near Alamogordo 8/11 (GM).

SAGE THRASFER

Present at Burford Lake 6/22 (JD, PF). Autumn records include earliest arrivals of 1 at Silver City and 5 at Redrock 9/24 (RD+), plus 5 near Buckeye 9/28-29 (JH), 4 near Lovington and 3 near Caprock 10/5 (GS).

AMERICAN ROBIN

Bred at Fruitland (AN, DT), Kirtland (CS), Chama (CE), Bernardo in Socorro Co. (RFN), Bosque del Apache NMR (GZ), and at Roswell (JC+); also 10 birds near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, FF). Early dates of autumn arrivals were at Cedar Crest (McK), Roswell (AE), and Tillie Fall Peak (JH) on 11/14-15 and at White Sands NM 11/25 (GM).

HERRIT THRUSH Autumn records were singles at Kirtland 11/11-12 (CS), Albuquerque 11/24 (BE, CH), and Burro Mts. 10/20 (GS).

WESTERN BLUEBIRD

Birds at nests were reported on Mt. Taylor 6/22 (RFR), Kingston, Sierra Co. 6/1 (McK), and at Mule creek 6/15 (RF). Last at La Cueva were 6 on 10/21 (MS); 10 at Pleasanton 10/24-26 (JH).

MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD

Summer records included 8 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT) and 5 south of Magdalena 6/2 (McK). Autumn reports in nonbreeding areas included 25 near Rosebud 9/6-8 (KG), 5 near Reserve 10/27 (JH), 65 at Morgan Lake 11/2 (AN)—with 100 near Farmington 11/22 (HL), 31 near Mountainair (JH) and 15 at Silver City (AZ) on 11/8, and 5 near Mule Creek 11/15 (JH).

TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE Several adults and immatures in Santa Fe Ski Basin in June-July (WS). Very early migrants were 1 at Cedar Crest 8/13 (McK), an immature at SU Canyon near Reserve 9/1 (McK), and 4 immatures near the Gila Cliff Dwellings 8/7 (GS); other arrivals were near Cliff on 9/26 (RD, DZ) and at Bitter Lake NWR 10 17 (JC).

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER

Pair feeding young in Magdalena Mts. 7/11 (CH). Autumn reports were singles at Farmington 11/10 (HL)-late, Cedar Crest 10/3 (JS), and near Buckeye 9/28 (JH).

Autumn records were of singles at La Cueva 8/19 (MS), Dixon (JW), Santa Fe 11/2 (WS), Las Vegas 11/17 (WH), and White Sands NM 9/20 (CM), plus 6 in the Capitan Mts. 11/9 (JE).

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET

3 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT). Autumn records include earliest at Albuquerque 8/26 (CA)—and to 10/26 (DD), with last at La Cueva 10/12 (MS); also singles at Encino 9/26, Milnesand 9/27, and Buckeye 9/29 (JH).

WATER PIPIT Adults and juveniles above Santa Fe Ski Basin in July (WS). 1 at Buckeye 9/28 (JH).

CEDAR WAXWING

Autumn records were many in Farmington beginning in Oct. (AN), 40 near Los Alamos 10/8 (Dick Beidleman), up to 12-including an immature—at Cedar Crest 9/7-19 (McK), 28 at Albuquerque 11/24 (BE, CH), 2 at Roswell 11/14 (AE), and 11 near Lake Roberts 10/20 (RF).

PHAINOPEPLA

1-2 at Pleasanton 10/25 (JH), near Gila (RF) and at Silver City (AN) 7/5.

Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DB, GD) and Elephant Butte Lake (CH); summer records include 11 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT), 1 at Cedar Crest 6/4 and 6/14 (JS), 106 near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF), 34 near Ft. Sumner 6/18 (DB, JC). Autumn reports include 50 near Sabinoso 11/30 (JH), 4 near Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), 8 near Buckeye 9/29 (JH).

SOLITARY VIREO
1 near San Antonio 6/4 (CC); late autumn dates include Elephant Butte Lake 10/6 (CH, LH) and a tail-less bird of the plumbeus race at the Jornada Exp. Range 10/28 (BP).

BLACK AND WHITE WARBLER Singles at Dixon 10/20 (JW) and at Bottomless Lakes SP 9/1 (MW).

1 near Leasburg SP 10/4; details include thin bill, bright green back, definite eyestripe, yellow underparts with crissum white (BP).

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER

Last of autumn at Santa Fe on 10/15 (WS).

NASHVILLE WARBLER

Autumn reports include 1-3 at Cedar Crest 8/8-11 (McK), near Cliff 9/21 (DZ), and in the Burro Mts. 9/2 and 9/8 (RF).

VIRGINIA WARBLER

4 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT). Present in Roswell 8/30-31 and 9/13 (MW), with last at Santa Fe on 10/13 (WS).

OLIVE WARBLER Fledgling reported in Pinos Altos Mts. 7/6 (RF).

YELLOW WARBLER 2 in Bayard 7/21 (RF); late dates were Mora on 8/10 (KG) and Albuquerque 8/24

CAPE MAY WARBLER

I found dead under a window in Silver City on 10/4 has been preserved as the first state specimen (DZ).

BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER
1 at Bitter Lake NWR 10/14 (DB) and an immature at Silver City on 10/13 and a male 10/14 (DZ+).

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER

Audubon-9 near Ojo Sarco on 6/15 (JT). Early dates of autumn arrivals include 2 in the Burro Mts. 9/2 (RF), many at Cedar Crest by mid-Sept. (McK), and several at Albuquerque (DD), Milnesand and Buckeye (JH) 9/27-29.

BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER
Present near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF) and 3 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT).

Autumn migrants present in small numbers at Santa Fe 8/15-10/15 (WS), Cedar Crest 9/9-10/14 (JS), and in the Silver City area 8/10 (RF) to 10/18 (DZ); also at Taos 9/9 (DG), Roswell area 8/31 (MW), near Reserve 9/2 (McK), and in the Guadalupe Mts. 9/16 (GS).

BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER
1-2 at Farmington 10/30-31, including a window-killed specimen sent to Univ. New Mexico (HL).

HERMIT WARBLER

2 at Silver City 9/24 (DZ).

BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER

Female or immature male near Rodeo 9/4; details include orange throat, whitish streaking on back (RS).

 $\underline{\text{BAY-BREASTED}}$ WARBLER An adult male reported without details at Rodeo 6/20 and later (RS).

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSI

Singles at Dixon 8/25 (JW), Las Vegas 8/27 (WH), Roswell 8/31 and 9/21 (MW), and Mesilla Park about 9/30 (BP), plus 3 at Rattlesnake Springs 9/7 (MW).

McGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER

Nesting in the Sandia Mts. 6/15, with fledglings there 6/29 (RFR); present near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, FF), 5 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT), and seen in the Capitan Mts. 6/1 (MW). Late dates for autumn migrants were Roswell 9/21 (MW), Albuquerque 9/23 (PB), Milnesand 9/27 (JH), Elephant Butte Lake 10/6 (CH, LH), and Silver City 10/17 (DZ).

COPMON YELLOWTHROAT Nesting at Fruitland 6/5-7 (AN, DT) and a pair with a fledgling at La Joya SGR 8/3 (RFR); 4-5 at Elephant Butte Lake 6/5 and 7/9 (CH). 1 at Albuquerque on 9/22 (RN).

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT

Nesting at Elephant Butte Lake 7/9 (CH); migrant at Carlsbad Caverns NP 9/14 (BP).

RED-FACED WARBLER

I reported to have been photographed near La Cueva on 6/21 (JD); late dates of 1-2 birds in the Pinos Altos Mts. on 8/10-11 (RF) and at the Gila Cliff Dwellings 8/12 (GS).

WILSON'S WARBLER

Autumn migrants at Santa Fe 8/25-10/5 (WS), Las Vegas 8/27-10/3 (WH), and Cedar Crest 8/21-9/26 (JS); also 1 near Gila Cliff Dwellings 8/12 (GS) and on Mt. Taylor 10/4 (JH).

AMERICAN REDSTART

Single, females or immature males at Albuquerque 9/22 (RN), Cedar Crest 8/23 (McK), Roswell 9/14, 9/16, and 9/25 (Phelps White, MW), and Rattlesnake Springs 9/15 (BP).

PAINTED REDSTART
1 in Silver City 10/9 (fide DZ).

EASTERN MEADOWLARK

1 south of Magdalena 6/2 (McK); 2-3 singing birds near Lordsburg 10/12 (DZ) and near Buckeye 9/28-29 (JH).

WESTERN MEADOWLARK

32 near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF); common near Buckeye 9/28-29 (JH).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD 8 at Fruitland 6/5-7 (AN, DT); summer vagrant at White Sands NM 6/25 (GM). Early autumn nigrants included Roswell 7/13 (MW), Bosque del Apache NWR 7/16 (GZ), Rodeo 7/22—where present through late Nov., with peak 500 on 9/18 (RS), and White Sands NM 7/24—with 40-50 nearby 8/27 (CM); also 10 near Rosebud 9/7 and 80 near Santa Rosa 9/28 (KG), 1 near Vaughn 9/26 (JH), and about 10,000 near Deming 11/12 (GS).

ORCHARD ORIOLE

Nest found at Bitter Lake NWR on 6/28 (DB+).

SCOTT'S ORICLE A male near Hurley 1C/5 (CD, BP).

NORTHERN ORIOLE
New Mexico's second record of the Baltimore Oriole was a male at Rattlesnake Springs 9/14; details include solid black hood, wings—except for wingbars, and central tail feathers, and remainder of plumage orange (BP). A "dilute" albino Bullock's Oriole was seen at Albuquerque on 7/4 (RT); single birds at La Cueva 8/14-17 and Jemez Springs 8/27 (MS).

BREWER'S BLACKBIRD

Early autumn dates included 90 between Encino and Vaughn 9/26 (JH) and 15 near Alamogordo 10/8 (CM).

GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE

Bred at Bitter Lake NWR (DL); 6 at Deming 6/2 (CC) and summered at Alamogordo, where 75-100 present 11/7 and 11/25 (G:). Reported at Las Vegas 8/14 (WH) and about 50 at Lovington 9/27-30, where local people said the species has resided since the lake was built there in 1971 (JH).

COMMON GRACKLE

Bred at Las Vegas (WH) and near Isleta (JD), present at Roswell 10/21 (MW).

BRCWN-HEADED COWBIRD

12 at Kirtland 6/5-7 (AN, DT). Summer numbers up at Los Alamos, with flocks of up to 50 (EL); other concentrations included 500 at Bitter Lake NWR 7/25 (JC, BS) and 400 at Lovington 10/3 (GS).

WESTERN TANAGER

Presumed late spring migrants were 2 at Elephant Butte Lake 6/5 (CH) and 1 at Bitter Lake NWR 6/7 (DB, JC). Early autumn dates were White Sands NM on 8/7 (GM) and Bitter Lake NWR 8/14-15 (JC); late dates were La Cueva 8/26 (MS), Santa Fe 9/14 (JH), Las Vegas 9/15 (WH), Albuquerque 9/18 (DD), and Bayard 9/17 (RF), with a late male at Sandia Park 10/7 (MH) and an exceptional one at a feeder at White Sands NM 11/25 (fide BF).

HEPATIC TANAGER

2 at Cedar Crest 6/24 (JS); late dates were of 1 in the Guadalupe Mts. 9/16 (GS) and 3 near Hurley 9/25 (DZ+).

SUMMER TANAGER
8 at Elephant Butte Lake 6/5 and 4 on 7/9 (CH); an immature male stayed at Cedar Crest--where most unusual-from 7/27-8/28, during which time the bird molted into a splotchy red-and-yellow plumage (McK).

CARDINAL Female at Bitter Lake NWR 5/28-30; details include red bill with blackish at its base (DB+).

PYRRHULOXIA

Records were 1 near San Antonio 6/4 (CC), 1 at Rodeo 7/8 and several 10/18 and later (RS), and 3 at Cedar Point, Chaves Co. 9/30 (JH).

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK

Summer records were of single males on Mt. Taylor, 9900 ft. 6/29 (D. A. McCallum), Albuquerque 6/29 (PB), and Pleasanton 7/1-4 (LS); 1 reported at Bitter Lake NWR 8/23 (DB).

BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK

A fledgling seen at Bayard 7/7 (RF); a bird at Bitter Lake NWR 7/29 (DB). Late dates include Albuquerque 9/2 (CA), Cedar Crest 9/3 (JS), La Cueva (MS) and in the Burro Mts. (GS) 9/4; few in the southwest after mid-summer (DZ).

Nesting in Albuquerque 7/1 (PB); a male at Los Alamos 8/9, a locality where rare (BL).

INDIGO BUNTING

Summer records were of 1-2 at Jemez Pueblo 6/21 (JD, PF), Cedar Crest 6/1-7/31 and 8/8-latter a female with a brood patch, plus 1 immature banded 9/11 (McK), near Los Lutas 6/9 (JD, PF), Leasburg SP 10/4, Radium Springs and near Las Cruces 8/28 (BP).

Summer records were of singles at Kirtland (/16 (CS), near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT), and Cedar Crest 6/6 (JS), plus 1 at Farmington 8/20 (AM); last recorded were 6 at Espanola 9/7 (WS).

1 in Santa Fe 9/22 (KS), plus unspecified numbers at Las Vegas 8/26 (WH) and Roswell area 9/13 (MW).

EVENING GROSBEAK

The only records were of unspecified numbers near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF) and near San Cristobal 9/22 (WH).

Fledgling at La Gueva 8/1-with adults present to 9/30 (MS) and a male on San Pedro Peak 8/20 (KG). Earliest of autumn at Silver City were 2 on 9/4, with 1-2 noted on 9/6 and 10/14 (DZ); also noted at Taos 10/29 (DG), 1 at Bitter Lake NwR 11/11 (JC), 6 on Tillie Hall Peak 11/15 (JH), and 30 near Mayhill 10/3 (GS).

PINE GROSBEAK

Present near San Cristobal 10/13 (WH) and 5 on San Pedro Peaks 8/20-21 (KG).

BROWN-CAPPED ROSY FINCH 7 birds presumed to be this species were seen near Eagle Nest 11/27 (RB).

An adult feeding a fledgling on San Pedro Peaks 8/21 (KG); other reports include small flock in Albuquerque 6/9 (DD), 200 at Apache Creek 10/27 and 3 near Milnesand 9/27 (JH).

AMERICAN COLDFINCH
Pair at Kirtland 6/16 (CS); first of autumn at Bitter Lake NWR were 8-10 on 10/3 (BS+).

LESSER GOLDFINCH

Records include last at Las Vegas 10/5 (WH), up to 30 near Cliff 9/21 and 20 at Silver City 10/20 and 2 on 11/12 (DZ).

The only report was of 2 on Mt. Taylor 10/5 (JH).

GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE

Nesting in the Sandia Mts. 6/15 and 6/29-30 (RFR); other summer records near La Cueva 6/21 (JD, PF), Ojo Sarco area 6/15 (JT), Santa Fe Ski Basin (WS), Mt. Taylor 6/22 (RFR), and near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, PF). Autumn migrants at Cedar Crest 8/7 (McK) to 9/23 (JS), Las Vegas 9/6-18 (MF), Albuquerque 9/4 (RN) to 10/4 (DD), and Silver City area 9/9-10/9, with maximum 20 on 9/25 (DZ).

RUFCUS-SIDED TOWHEE Fledglings at Gila Cliff Dwellings 7/28 (AN); first of autumn near Roswell on 9/1 (MW).

BROWN TOWHEE

Records in peripheral areas include 1 in Farmington-where unusual-9/29 (AN), 6 near Sabinoso 11/30, 5 north of Mt. Taylor 10/4-7, and 1 at Apache Creek

LARK BUNTING

Reported to have summered at Bitter Lake NMR (DB). Early autumn arrivals included White Sands NM 7/26-27 (CE), flock near Magdalena 8/4 (McK), and 3 at Los Alamos--where unusual--8/7, with 1 to early Sept. (BL); also 200 at Santa Fe 8/21 (JH), 40 at Rosebud 9/6-8 (KG), and 27 near Lovington 9/27 (JH) to 10/3 (GS).

Presumably a late spring migrant was 1 near Burnham 6/5 (AN, DT); other reports include Albuquerque 9/6-19 (DD) and 1-2 on Mt. Taylor 10/4 and near Lovington 9/27-30 (JH).

CRASSHOPPER SFARROW 1 reported near Grenwille 6/16 (KS).

<u>VESPER SPARROW</u> 20 at Buckeye 9/29 (JH).

Bred at Bitter Lake NMR (DB); late reports at Las Vegas (WH), Cedar Crest (McK), and near Santa Rosa (KG) were on 9/8-9.

RUFOUS-CROWNED SPARROW 5 near Wagon Mound 6/21 (JT) and 4 near Fleasanton 10/24-27 (JE).

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CASSIN'S SPARROW Summered commonly at Bitter Lake NNR (DB) and northward, i.e. 87 near Grenville 6/16 (KS), 7 near Wagon Mound 6/21 (JT), and 208 near Ft. Summer 6/18 (DB, JC); first near Rodeo 8/11-end present to at least 9/10 (RS) and 2 seen near San Luis Mts. 9/28 (D +).

BLACK-T LOATED SPARROW

Nesting east of Albuquerque 6/2 (CH); 44 near Fruitland 6/1-5 (AN, DT), 11 near

La Cienega 6/8 (JT), 4 near Los Lunas 6/9 (JD, FF), and 8 near Roswell 6/26
(DB, BS); a bird at Heart Bar Ranch 6/1 was out-of-range (RF).

SAGE SPARROW Only reports were south of Fruitland 9/23-25 (SP, DT) and 1 at Santa Fe 9/27 (WS).

DARK-EYED JUNCO
1 Slate-colored at La Cueva 11/2-3 (MS), Earliest autumn arrivals of Oregon types were Cedar Crest 9/20 (JS), Santa Fe 10/1 (WS), Bitter Lake NWR 10/3 (JC+), Mt. Taylor 10/4 (JH), and Elephant Butte Lake 10/6 (CH, LH).

GRAY-HEADED JUNCO
Nesting at Canjilon Lakes 7/7 and on Mt. Taylor 6/22 (RFR). First of autumn at Cedar Crest (MCK) and near Silver City (MMC) 9/29 and Albuquerque 10/9 (DD).

TREE SPARROW 20 at McAlister Lake 11/30 (JH).

CHIPPING SPARROW

Nesting Burford Lake 6/29-30 (CH). Migrant flock at Cedar Crest 7/25 (McK), where last were 10/10 (JS); 1-3 at White Sands NM 8/8 (CM), Encino 9/26 and Milnesand 9/27 (JH).

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW
1 at Silver City 9/13 and 5 south of there 9/25 (DZ+) and 1 at Milnesand 9/27 (JH).

BLACK-CHINNED SPARROW

1 in Juan Tabo Canyon, Sandias, 9/18 (RT+).

WFITE-CROUNED SPARROW
Summered commonly in Santa Fe Ski Basin (MS), where fledglings noted 7/13 (RFR);
20 on San Pedro Peaks 8/20-21 (KG). A late spring migrant noted at Las Vegas on 6/11 (WH). Early dates of autumn arrivals include Santa Fe 9/15 (MS), Las Vegas 9/6 (WH), Silver City 9/16 (DZ), Fruitland 9/22 (SF, DT), Cedar Crest 9/22 (JS), Pleasanton 9/24 (LS), Milnesand 9/27 (JH), Buckeye 9/28 (JH), and Albuquerque 10/1 (RN).

WHITE-THROATED SPARROW
Singles at Los Alamosl0/22-11/10 (Lorraine Hartshorne) and at Eagle Nest 11/6-28 (RB).

LINCOLN'S SPARROW Summered commonly in Santa Fe Ski Basin (WS); singles at Los Alamos 9/21 (BL) and Apache Creek 10/27 (JH).

SONG SPARROW Nesting Canjilon Lakes 7/6 (RFR); fledglings at Burford Lake 6/29 (CH), 10 birds San Fedro Peaks 8/21 (KC), and 10 near Ojo Sarco 6/15 (JT). 20 at Apache Creek and 1 Pleasanton 10/24-25 (JH).

<u>CHESTNUT COLLARED LONGSFUR</u> Early dates in autumn were 70 in the Animas Valley 9/28 (DZ) and 55 in the Buckeye area 9/28-30 (JH); also 1 on 11/8 and 3 on 11/12 in Silver City and 450 between Hurley and White Signal 11/28 (AZ).