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Oregon Birds is looking for material in these categories:

**Articles** deal with identification, distribution, ecology, management, conservation, taxonomy, behavior, biology, and historical aspects of ornithology and birding in Oregon. Articles cite references (if any) at the end of the article. Names and addresses of authors typically appear at the beginning of the article.

**Short Notes** are shorter contributions that deal with the same subjects as articles. Short Notes typically cite no references, or at most a few in parentheses in the text. Names and address of authors appear at the end of the Short Note.

**Bird Finding Guides** “where to find a_______ in Oregon” (for some of the rarer birds) and “where to find birds in the_______ area” (for some of the better spots).

**Reviews** for published material on Oregon birds or of interest to Oregon birders.

**Photographs** of birds, especially photos taken recently in Oregon. Color slide duplicates are preferred. Please label all photos with photographer’s name and address, bird identification, date and location of photo. Photos will be returned if requested.

The Deadline for Next Issue of Oregon Birds, OB 31(2), Summer 2005 is August 30. Please send material directly to the Editor, Steve Dowlan, P.O. Box 220, Mehama, OR, 97384 503-859-3691 oregonbirds@aol.com.

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You might have noticed by now that this issue of OB is a little less hefty than others before it, and it is a bit late in arriving to your mailbox. Nobody but the Editor can take responsibility for the late arrival, so I won’t pass the buck. I could have had OB 31:1 off my hard drive and out to the printer sooner. I’m guilty of letting life get in the way of volunteer commitments. My career has shifted into high gear, requiring many more hours staring at a VDT, writing, editing, writing, editing... It has been difficult to come home and... stare at a VDT, writing and editing. In an effort to manage VDT interface time, I have informed the OFO Board of my intention to surrender the Editor’s task to someone else by the end of the year. The Board is now engaged in a search for a new Editor, and has been discussing a number of options for providing incentives to restore OB to a more regular production schedule. Your input, and your offers to help with the production of OB, would enhance their efforts.

In the meantime, I need material from you to print in the remaining issues for which I am responsible. I have a very small file of material now (thanks to those of you who have contributed recently... your work will appear soon!), but this will not last long. I need site guides, photos, photo essays, site summaries, county firsts, nest records (especially with photos)... you’ve been there, seen it, counted it, described it... why not write about it? OB is your journal, and it represents the activities and efforts of OFO’s members (that’s you), and if you don’t write about it, nobody else will. Our paper journal may be in a struggle for relevance in this “electronic era…” Your regular contributions will “speak volumes” in maintaining OB’s place in the birding record.
From May 2004 to May 2005 the Oregon Bird Records Committee (OBRC) completed the following records. The first group of records are those for which the written report and/or photographs or specimens supported the stated identification and are accepted records. If photo(s) or specimen is indicated for a record it was accepted as verified. Other records were accepted as sight records.

Of the 53 records reviewed by the Committee 43 were accepted and 10 were not accepted. During this period two new species were accepted for addition to the Official Checklist of Oregon Birds: Juan Fernandez Petrel and Blue-footed Booby. Splitting of the Canada Goose by the American Ornithologists’ Union added the Cackling Goose to the list. The Official Checklist now stands at 498 species.

Information presented below for each species includes location of sighting, number of birds, sex and age if known, special information (such as collection and museum number) and date(s), initial of the observer(s) submitting written or other evidence for accepted records, and the OBRC record file number. The OBRC record file number reads as follows: the first 3 digits are the AOU number for the species, the second 2 are the year in which the record was observed, and the last numbers are the consecutive numbers for the records as they are filed.

The members of the OBRC for 2005 are David Bailey, Jeff Gilligan, Hendrik Herlyn, David Irons, Tim Janzen, Gerard Lillie, Larry McQueen, Craig Miller, and Owen Schmidt. The alternates are: Trent Bray, Steven Dowlan, and John Rakestraw.

The OBRC thanks the following organizations for having made financial contributions in the past year to help with expenses: Cape Arago Audubon Society, Central Oregon Audubon Society, Audubon Society of Corvallis, Grant County Bird Club, Grande Ronde Bird Club, Kalmiopsis Audubon Society, Lane County Audubon Society, Audubon Society of Portland, Salem Audubon Society, Umpqua Valley Audubon, and Yaquina Birders and Naturalists.

The OBRC solicits nominations for membership. Each year the OBRC elects 3 of its 9 members for 3-year terms. Birders themselves interested in serving on the OBRC should nominate themselves. All nominees must be members of OFO in good standing and all nominations must be received by the Secretary before 15 November 2005. New terms begin at the new calendar year.

**Accepted Records**

**Falcated Duck**
137.1-05-02 Coburg, Lane Co., 1 adult male 16 January into April 2005 (photos by PeP, SvM, videos by OS, RM).

**Common/King Eider**
160/162-00-01 Sea Lion Caves, Lane Co., 1 bird on 20 December 2000 (PP).

**Arctic Loon**
009-03-05 Yaquina Bay, Lincoln Co., 1 bird 22-23 November 2003 (photos by WH).

**Juan Fernandez Petrel**
098.7-02-01 51 miles w. Brookings, Curry Co., 1 bird on 7 June 2002 (DaA, MWN, LTP, TPR)

**Manx Shearwater**
090-00-02 Boiler Bay, Lincoln Co., 1 bird on 1 September 2000 (PP).
090-02-05 51 miles w Brookings, Curry Co., 1 bird on 7 June 2002 (MWN, LTP, TPR).

**Black-vented Shearwater**
093-01-05 Boiler Bay, Lincoln Co., 1 bird on 11 November 2001 (PP).

**Manx-type Shearwater**
090/03-00-09 Boiler Bay, Lincoln Co., 1 bird on 3 May 2000 (PP).
090/03-01-10 Boiler Bay, Lincoln Co., 1 bird on 16 April 2001 (PP).

**Blue-footed Booby**
114.1-02-01 Yaquina Head, Lincoln Co., 1 subadult 7-10 September 2002 (photos by EH, RSu).

**Common Moorhen**
219-01-09 Elk River, Curry Co., 1 bird 16-17 May 2001 (TWA).

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Bar-tailed Godwit
250-00-18 Coos Bay, Coos Co., 1 juvenile 4-7 September 2000 (TR,DLa).

Curlew Sandpiper
244-04-18 Summer Lake WA, Lake Co., 1 adult male 17-21 July 2004 (NPi,DI, photos by SMa,DT,NSt).

Little Gull
060.1-02-12 Mouth Winchuck River, Curry Co., 1 subadult on 16 May 2002 (KGo).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

Eurasian Collared-Dove
315.4-99-01 Oregon City, Clackamas Co., 1 bird on 21 December 1999 (RF).
315.4-04-04 Cape Blanco, Curry Co., 1 bird 8-11 May 2004 (photos by LoM,DMu, video by TWa).
315.4-04-07 Fields, Harney Co., 2 birds 7-11 May 2004 (photos by M).
315.4-05-08 Pilot Rock, Umatilla Co., two birds 7-13 2005 (AaS,JDW, photos by MLF, video by DH).

Northern Hawk Owl
377-05-05 Bend, Deschutes Co., 1 bird 3-23 February 2005 (JMe, photos by KeS,JKn, videos by DKn,OS).

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker
402-02-17 Long Creek, Grant Co., 1 subadult on 8 September 2002 (SML).

Eastern Phoebe
456-04-12 Fields, Harney Co., 1 bird on 19 May 2004 (photo by M).

Plumbeous Vireo
629.1-03-05 Colony Creek, Harney Co., 1 bird on 23 May 2003 (TR).
Not Accepted

White Ibis
184-99-01 Summer Lake, Lake Co., four birds on 5 May 1999. Not accepted as details did not eliminate similar white species with black wingtips.

Broad-winged Hawk
343-00-11 Brookings, Curry Co., 1 immature bird on 7 February 2000. Not accepted as description not detailed enough to rule out more expected hawk species.

Common Gull

Thick-billed Murre
031-02-12 Bandon, Curry Co., 1 bird on 26 June 2002. Not accepted as brief description did not fully rule out Common Murre.

Boreal Owl

Cassin’s Kingbird

Plumbeous Vireo
629.1-99-01 Stukel Mountain, Klamath Co., 1 bird on 19 June 1999. This species is notoriously difficult to separate from Cassin’s Vireo. This report did not mention key field points that would have identified it as Plumbeous Vireo.

Connecticut Warbler
678-99-03 HQ Malheur NWR, Harney Co., 1 male on 16 May 1999. Not accepted as description did not describe characteristic habits and plumage details, and did not rule out similar warbler species.

Chestnut-collared Longspur
538-01-11 North Spit Coos Bay, Coos Co., 1 bird on 26 October 2001. Not accepted as description much too brief to identify to species.

Common Grackle
511-99-25 Silver Lake, Lake Co., 1 male on 27 August 1999. Not accepted as this brief report did not completely rule out other Icterid species.

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Members' Gallery

Surfbird, 13 November, Yachats, Lincoln Co. Photo/S. Dowlan

Rock Sandpiper and Surfbirds, 13 November, Yachats, Lincoln Co. Photo/S. Dowlan

Snow Bunting, October 2004, Molalla Sewage Treatment Plant. Digiscope image by Dale Shank, modified by E. Specht.
2004 Oregon Listing Results

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Notable Oregon listing milestones of 2004:

-- Barb Combs, Gerald B. Smith, and Sylvia Maulding reached or passed 400 for their Oregon life lists.
-- In county life lists, Dean Hale (Deschutes), Kevin Spencer (Klamath), Mark Nikas (Linn), emerged as new leaders and Roy Gerig (Polk) as a new coleader. The horse race continues in Linn County as three different birders have led the past four years.
-- New county year records were set by Chuck Gates (Crook), Carol Karlen (Yamhill), and Greg Gillson (Washington), who broke a 20-year-old record.
-- Not reflected in the results is Paul Sullivan’s notable feat of finding over 100 birds in every Oregon county during 2004.

A hearty thanks to all who submitted their listing numbers!

Totals marked with an asterisk (*) are previously submitted totals; no updated total was received this year. Only totals of 400 or more for the Oregon life list are carried through without an updated list. County totals are carried through from year to year only if they are still leading in a county. Names marked with (J) symbol honor deceased birders.


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Abbreviations Used in Field Notes:

ad. adult
CG Campground
Cr. Creek
drg. drainage
f. female
FR Forest Road
GS Guard Station
Hwy Highway
HY hatch-year
imm. immature
juv. juvenile
fide in confidence of
L. Lake
m. male
m. ob. Multiple observers
Mtn. Mountain
NAMC North American Migration Count
NP National Park
NWR National Wildlife Refuge
p. ob. personal observation
p.c. personal communication
Pk. Park
Pt. Point
R. River
Rd. Road
Res. Reservoir
SP State Park
STP Sewage/wastewater treatment ponds/plant
SY second-year
Tr. Trail
Wild. Wilderness
WMA Wildlife Management Area
WP Wildlife Park
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North Coast Field Notes: Summer 2004

Edited by Joel Geier

Nearly all observations of pelagic species for this season came from a single offshore pelagic tour off the Columbia R. mouth 31 Jul (BGP), which was partly in Washington waters. Ilene Samowitz helped to gather the reports for the season. Additional reports were culled from the Yaquina Bay Birders and Naturalists field notes (compiled by Range Bayer), from the www.birdnotes.net database, and OBOL postings.

Abbreviations

BGP Bird Guide pelagic tour led by GG and TS
HMSC Hatfield Marine Science Center, LINC
WA s.w. “Washington state waters” as defined by conventions of the ABA and OBRC, whereby offshore sightings are attributed to the state of the nearest jurisdictional point on land.
SJYB Yaquina Bay South Jetty, LINC
SJC South Jetty Columbia River, CLAT

Counties: CLAT = Clatsop; LINC = Lincoln; TILL = Tillamook.

Frequently cited locations: Brownsmead, CLAT; Necanicum R. and estuary, CLAT; Nicolai Mtn (CLAT), Svensen Island (CLAT), Yaquina Bay (LINC).

Canada/Cackling Goose – Five of indeterminate species (but not the locally breeding “Western” Canada Geese) were at YBSJ 22 Jul (WH).

Blue-winged Teal – A male and a female possibly of this species were at Svensen Island CLAT 12 Jun (MP). 11 were at Svensen Island 21 Jun (MP).

Northern Shoveler – Four late birds were at Svensen Island 21 Jun (MP).

Northern Pintail – Two lingered on Yaquina Bay from 21 Jun thru the end of the period (JLa fide RB).

Redhead – A pair were at the Cannon Beach sewage ponds 18 Jul (PTS).

Harlequin Duck – Six males phasing out of breeding plumage were at Seal Rock 6 Jun (CaM), where non-breeders or post-breeders are often present in summer (RB). 8 were on the rocks at Escola State Park 29 Jul (DaM).

Red-throated Loon – A few non-breeders were still at Tierra del Mar TILL 1 Jun (WG).

Pacific Loon – 96 (2/3 in basic plumage) were off the South Jetty Columbia River 10 Jul (MP). One was at the Necnacim estuary 30 Jul (MP).

Common Loon – A very pale-headed bird in basic plumage was at SJYB 16 Jun (DF).

Western Grebe – One to two seen off CLAT regularly through July (MP).

Black-footed Albatross – One was seen 7-9 km off Depoe Bay 28 & 29 Jul (BLo). 25 (7 in WA s.w.) were 22 to 50 km off the mouth of the Columbia R. 31 Jul.

Northern Fulmar – 50 (3 in WA s.w.) off the Columbia R. 31 Jul.

Pink-footed Shearwater – 200 (30 in WA s.w.) off the Columbia R. 31 Jul.

Sooty Shearwater – 400 (15 in WA s.w.) off the Columbia R. 31 Jul.

Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel – 50 (10 in WA s.w.) off the Columbia R. 31 Jul.

Brown Pelican – Bait fish concentrations attracted hundreds to the Necnacim estuary 7 Jul (SW fide MP). Numbers at SJCR peaked at 300 on 24 Jul (DB).

Pelagic Cormorant – A USFWS survey 12-13 Jul found 100 nests in or on the Yaquina Bay Bridge, up from 36 nests the previous year (RLo & DP fide RB).

Great Egret – A couple of apparent non-breeders lingered through Jun around Yaquina Bay, followed by the usual post-breeding influx around 15 Jul (fide RB).

Great Blue Heron – 75 on Young’s Bay CLAT 7 Jul included many young birds, presumably from the Williamsport herony (SW fide MP).

White-tailed Kite – One was seen regularly at Astoria airport CLAT through 4 Jun. One HY was hunting near HMSC 24 Jun (DF, Laura Faxon).

Bald Eagle – A juvenile and a pair of adult eagles were perched near a nest at Seaside CLAT in mid-Jul, where activity from April onward implied nesting although nesting was not directly observed (Michael Medina).

Northern Harrier – Transfer of a captured vole from a male to a female observed near Astoria 10 Jun; female seen tending nest with two eggs the next day (LC, Naomi Cain). Alternate sightings of a male and an adult female or immature at HMSC during June suggested possible nesting there as well (fide RB).

Merlin – Rare in summer, one in Toledo LINC captured a male Black-headed Grosbeak 17 Jul (DG).

Peregrine Falcon – Pair seen at Brownsmead 21 Jun (MP). Pair and probably HY bird at Neha-Kah-Nie Mtn overlook on Highway 101 just north of Manzanita 3 Jul (LC). One was at the murre colony rock in Yaquina Head 8 Jul (RB and BaM).

Black-bellied Plover – The first southbound migrants noted were two at the Necnacim R. estuary 16 Jul (DB).

Semipalmated Plover – The first southbound migrant was noted at SJC 6 Jul (LC). By 16 Jul 16 were at Necnacim Estuary and 60 were at Stanley L. CLAT (DB). Numbers continued to swell through 30 Jul when 500 were at the Necnacim estuary (MP).

Black Oystercatcher – The 8th
annual survey 18 Jul found 59 adults at 15 sites on the central Oregon coast (USFWS fide RB). A nonterritorial flock of 8 was on Whaleback Island near Cape Foulweather LINC 13 Jul (RLo, DP, SuP). One was at Cape Perpetua 1 Jul (BaC).

**Greater Yellowlegs** – 8 were at Svensen Island 28 Jun (MP). 5 were at Eckman L. LINC 12 Jul (RLo). Smaller numbers were noted on coastal estuaries through end of period.

**Lesser Yellowlegs** – 2 were at Svensen Island 28 Jun; five were on the Necanicum estuary 30 Jul (MP).

**Wandering Tattler** – One was at South Jetty Yaquina Bay 12 Jul (RLo). One was at Ecola State Park 29 Jul (DaM). Six were along the SJCR 31 Jul (BGP).

**Whimbrel** – 30 or more presumed non-breeding birds were seen at Yaquina Bay in late June (JLa). Arrival of southbound migrants was signaled by a “good-sized” flock on the Necanicum estuary 2 Jul (SW fide MP), 31 there 3 Jul (DB), and 59 near Thiel Creek LINC in mid-Jul (BLo).

**Marbled Godwit** – 1 at Idaho Flats LINC on 18 & 22 Jun may have oversummered (JLa fide RB).

**Ruddy Turnstone** – 4 were at Sunset Beach 24 Jul (DB). 1 was along the SJCR 31 Jul (BGP).

**Black Turnstone** – First arrivals noted were 6 around Yaquina Bay 12 Jul (RLo, DP).

**Surfbird** – First arrival noted was 13 Jul near Cape Foulweather (RLo, DP, SuP).

**Red Knot** – One in alternate plumage was at Necanicum 29 Jul (DaM).

**Sanderling** – First reported arrivals were two at SJCR 20 Jul (MP). 100 were at Sunset Beach CLAT 24 Jul (DB).

**Calidris sp.** – The start of southbound migration was signaled by 26 “peeps” at Yaquina Bay 23 Jun (JLa fide RB).

**Semipalmated Sandpiper** – A molting adult was at Necanicum River Estuary 2 Jul (SW fide MP) and 8 Jul (MP).

**Western Sandpiper** – The first identified as this species among flocks of southbound “peeps” were 35 on Yaquina Bay mud flats 28 Jun (RLo). 1500 were at SJCR by 6 Jul (LC). Large numbers were at the Necanicum Estuary from 7 Jul onward, reaching a count of 3000 on 30 Jul (SW; MP).

**RED-NECKED/LITTLE STINT** – One carefully described stint sp. at the Necanicum R. mouth 30 Jul had combined field marks favoring identification as Red-necked Stint (MP).

**Least Sandpiper** – Southbound birds first noted with five at the Necanicum estuary 2 Jul (SW fide MP); 100 were there by 30 Jul (MP).

**Baird’s Sandpiper** – A juvenile was at the Necanicum estuary 27 Jul, and one to two were seen there through 31 Jul (MP; DaM; SW).

**Short-billed Dowitcher** – Species noted 7 Jul at Yaquina Bay (JLa); six were at the Necanicum estuary 16 Jul (DB).

**Red-necked Phalarope** – Southbound migrants first noted south of Seal Rock 11 Jul (Jill Grover), followed by 12 offshore of Newport LINC 12 Jul (RLo). 150 (30 in WA s.w.) were offshore of the Columbia R. mouth 31 Jul (BGP).

**Red Phalarope** – Ten were off the Columbia R. mouth 31 Jul (BGP).

**Skua/Jaeger sp.** – The only reports this period were from the pelagic tour in summer, one was beached north of Ona Beach 30 Jun (BLo, ShL, LO).

**Cassin’s Auklet** – Over 100 were offshore between Depoe Bay and Cape Foulweather 13 Jul (RLo, DP, SuP).

**Rhinoceros Auklet** – Peak count was 40 off the Columbia R. mouth 31 Jul (BGP).

**Tufted Puffin** – Away from the major nesting colonies, one was at Yaquina Head 3 Jun (BLM staff fide RB), one was found beached near Ona Beach LINC 24 Jul (BLo, ShL, LO), and one was off the Columbia R. mouth 31 Jul (BGP).

**Mourning Dove** – Historically scarce in LINC, a pair was regular in Yachats in late July (BB fide RB) and a few were also reported from Toledo and Thiel Creek (CP; BLo).
**Black Swift** – Calls probably of this species were heard in heavy mist over South Beach LINC 5 Jun (WH).

**Black-chinned Hummingbird** – Rare w. of the Cascades, a well-described juvenile was at Thornton Creek LINC 2 Jul (DF).

**Calliope Hummingbird** – Scarce but near-annual at favored sites in CLAT, a female was coming to feeders at Jewell Meadow Elk Refuge 4 Jun (MP); another was nectaring on paintbrush (*Castilleja hispida*) on Saddle Mtn CLAT 15 Jun (MP, SW).

**Rufous Hummingbird** – 12 including one displaying male and several HY were at Saddle Mtn CLAT 15 Jun (MP, SW). One on the SJCR 10 Jul presumably came in to the jetty off the ocean (MP).

**Olive-sided Flycatcher** – Singing birds at Nicolai Mtn CLAT 4 Jun thru 26 Jul (MP).

**Willow Flycatcher** – First noted at Neawanna Wetland Preserve CLAT 2 Jun (MP). Up to 12 in “reprod” growth on Nicolai Mtn by 12 Jun (MP).

**Hammond's Flycatcher** – Less common in CLAT than further s. in the Coast Range, one was Nicolai Mtn 4 Jun and two were there 12 Jun (MP).

**Western Kingbird** – Rare on the coast, one was on an elk fence at Astoria Airport 4 Jun (LC).

**Gray Jay** – Noted at Tierra del Mar TILL 1 Jun (WG) and at Nicolai Mtn 18 Jul (MP).

**Steller's Jay** – A partial-albino bird continued to be seen near Waldport LINC into June (JKC).

**Western Scrub-Jay** – Rare on the coast, singles were spotted near Waldport LINC 3-9 Jun (JKC), in Yachats LINC 14 Jun (WH), at the Warrenton sewage ponds CLAT 18 Jun (LC), and at Brownsmead & Westport CLAT 21 Jun (MP).

**Purple Martin** – Nest boxes at HMSC were active again this summer (JLa, RB). Nine were using boxes at the Ziak Refuge CLAT 12 Jun and two were at Svensen Island 21 Jun (MP). Seven were at Warrenton 14 Jul (LC, EvC). One was at the SJCR 24 Jul (DB).

**Northern Rough-winged Swallow** – One was at Nicolai Mtn 12 Jun (MP).

**Ruby-crowned Kinglet** – One on Nicolai Mountain 12 Jun (MP).

**Wrentit** – One at Nicolai Mtn 12 Jun (MP) was near the e. edge of the species’ range in CLAT.

**Nashville Warbler** – A HY bird with some downy feathers still visible on the back was at Warrenton 14 Jul (LC, EvC). This species is rare and local as a breeding bird in the northern Oregon Coast Range.

**Common Yellowthroat** – Noted as abundant along edges of cottonwood plantations in the Marshland area CLAT 28 Jun (MP).

**Yellow-breasted Chat** – Rare in CLAT, a male was calling on a willow-covered slope near Neawanna Creek at Seaside CLAT 19 Jun during the OFO teacher workshop (MP), still present 21 Jun (LC, EvC).

**Vesper Sparrow** – Scarce on the coast, one was at Gearhart CLAT 18 Jul (PTS).

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** – A male visited a feeder in Makai near Ona Beach LINC 1-2 Jul (Pam Parker fide RB). A male visited and was photographed at a feeder along the Alsea R. in e. LINC 17-18 Jul (Karin Donoyan). A male (perhaps the same one) turned up in Waldport 21 Jul where it continued into August (Ray & Imogene Travis fide DF).

**Bullock's Oriole** – A pair were at the Westport ferry landing 21 Jun, and another was along Woodson Rd. CLAT 28 Jun (MP).
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Fall migration resulted in quite a few rarities, including two new species for Coos County and one for Lane. Brown Pelican numbers hit record highs earlier in the summer and were seen in good numbers throughout the period. By late Sep and early Oct, Red-breasted Nuthatches were showing up in unusually high numbers along the coast and continued throughout the period. By mid to late Oct, Pine Siskin and Red Crossbills had also reached unusually high numbers along the coast.

**Abbreviations:**

COOS pelagic: Denotes two 4-hour pelagic trips out of Charleston, a morning trip 15 Aug and an afternoon trip 4 Sep (BGP).

EMP = Empire area of Coos Bay, COOS

GBBB = Gold Beach boat basin, CURR

SJSR = South Jetty (deflation plain) Siuslaw River, Florence, LANE

NJCB = North Jetty Coos Bay, COOS

NJSR = North Jetty Siuslaw River, Florence, LANE

WEP = old Weyerhaeuser effluent pond area, North Spit of Coos Bay, COOS

**Counties:** COOS = Coos; CURR = Curry; DOUG = Douglas; LANE = Lane.

**Frequently cited locations:** Bandon and Bandon Marsh NWR, COOS; Brookings area, CURR; Coos Bay, COOS; Floras L., CURR; Florence, LANE; Klootchman (overlook) north of Florence, LANE; Millicoma M. (Marsh), east side of Coos Bay, COOS; Port Orford, CURR; Siltcoos R. (outlet), LANE; Wahl Ranch (near Cape Blanco), CURR

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**Greater White-fronted Goose** – 4, SJSR, 19 Sep - 3 Oct (ALC); 80, WEP, 28 Sep (TR); several flocks overhead, Brookings area, 26 Oct, flocks flying north? (DM); 5, Bandon Marsh, 31 Oct (DL, KC); 1, WEP, 6 Nov (TR); 3, Floras L., 21 Nov (TR).

**Cackling Goose** – 1000, WEP, 6 Oct, Aleutian sp. (TR); 6000-7000, New R. area, COOS, 6 Sep, Aleutians (RLo); 6000-8000, New R. area, COOS, staging early to mid-Oct, Aleutians (RLo); 500, WEP, 19 Oct, Aleutians (TR).

**Snow Goose** – 2, Bandon Marsh, 10 Oct (DL, KC).

**Tundra Swan** – 2, Floras L., 4 Nov (TR).

**Brant** – 7, Klootchman, 11 Nov (ALC, VA, HR); 1, GBBB, 14 Nov (DiC); 2, EMP, 24 Nov (TR).

**Wood Duck** – 1, Florence area, 30 Oct, late and usually don’t overwinter (ALC).

**Eurasian Wigeon** – 2, EMP, 8 Nov (TR); 1, Bandon, 14 Nov (DiC).

**American Wigeon** – 2, WEP, 6 Sep (TR).

**Gadwall** – 1, WEP, 6 Sep (TR).

**Blue-winged Teal** – 2, WEP, 10 Sep (TR).

**Northern Shoveler** – 20, WEP, 10 Sep (TR).

**Northern Pintail** – 1, SJSR, 22 Aug (ALC).

**Green-winged Teal** – 30, SJSR, 22 Aug (ALC).

**Canvasback** – 6, WEP, 19 Oct (TR); 25, Siltcoos L., LANE, 20 Nov (ALC, VA).

**Redhead** – 6, Garrison L., Port Orford, CURR, 4 Nov (TR); 3, WEP, 22 Nov (TR).

**Lesser Scaup** – 2000, Siltcoos L., LANE, 20 Nov (ALC, VA).

**Harlequin Duck** – 1, Klootchman, 6 Nov (ALC, VA); 17, Klootchman, 11 Nov (ALC, VA, HR); 2, NJCB, 11 Nov (TR); 5, Klootchman, 13 Nov (ALC); 5, NJCB, 24 Nov (TR).

**Long-tailed Duck** – 1, EMP, 24 Oct, earliest fall COOS record (TR, JGa); 1, Klootchman, 6 Nov (ALC, VA, JoW); 1, SJSR, 7 Nov (JSu, LJ); 1, WEP, 9 Nov, unusual location (TR); 2, Klootchman, 11 Nov (ALC, VA, HR).

**Black Scoter** – 4, Heceta Head, LANE, 14 Aug (DiP); 10, Klootchman, 6 Nov, large flock for LANE (ALC, VA, JoW); 1, NJCB, 11 Nov, scarce in COOS in recent years (TR).

**Surf Scoter** – 1000, Sea Lion Caves overlook, LANE, 22 Aug, a large number for mid-August (ALC, LBl, TLe).

**White-winged Scoter** – 500, Klootchman, 20 Nov (ALC).

**Common Goldeneye** – 6, EMP, 17 Nov (TR).

**Red-necked Grebe** – In very high numbers on the Lane coast in mid-
Nov, with up to 9 inside the lower Siuslaw estuary and single birds or small numbers visible on the ocean at any stop (ALC).

**Eared Grebe** – 3, WEP, 9 Aug, at least 2 there through end of period (TR); 1, Florence area, 11 & 20 Nov (ALC, VA, HR).

**Clark’s Grebe** – 1, Klooktohman, 13 & 20 Nov (ALC).

**Black-footed Albatross** – 11, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (GG et al.).

**Northern Fulmar** – 6, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (GG et al.); 100’s, SR & SJSR, 17 Sep (NKS); 1, Klooktohman, 20 Nov (ALC).

**Buller’s Shearwater** – 1, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (TR, EH, et al.).

**Pink-footed Shearwater** – 350, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (GG et al.).

**Short-tailed Shearwater** – 1, Klooktohman, 30 Oct (ALC).

**Manx Shearwater** – 1, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug, 10 miles offshore, pelagic, 15 Aug, 10 miles offshore, 15 Aug (GG et al.).

**Great Egret** – 40, Florence area, 22 Aug (ALC, LBI, TLe); 133, Coos Bay, 21 Oct, 44 at Haynes Inlet and 89 at MM; (BW, JWo).

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** – 1, mouth of Ferry Creek, old town Bandon, 8 Aug, immature bird (EdM).

**Turkey Vulture** – 1, Wahl Ranch, 13 Nov (TJW); 1, Coos Bay, 21 Nov (J. Guettelman).

**White-tailed Kite** – scarce this fall on the Lane Coast, ALC reports only seeing 1 on 8 trips.

**Osprey** – 1-2, EMP, present through end of period - have overwintered here in recent years (TR); 1, Flora’s L., 6 Nov, have overwintered here in recent years (TR).

**PRAIRIE FALCON** – 1, Tenmile Creek, COOS, 25 Aug, only the 6th Coos record (KC, DL).

**GYRFALCON** – 1, NR/N. Spitz of Coos Bay, gray-phase adult first seen in late September on the N. Spitz of Coos Bay then seen off and on at NR or N. Spitz of Coos Bay through the end of period, a GYRFALCON has overwintered in these same locations 3 out of the last 4 years (TR, RM, JiH).

**Sora** – 1, Florence area, 26 Nov, irregular in coastal Lane this late (ALC).

**Sandhill Crane** – 1, Wahl Ranch, around 28 Sep (TJW).

**Black-bellied Plover** – 75, SJSR, 19 Sep (ALC).

**Pacific Golden-Plover** – 3, WEP, 13-15 Aug, well observed molting adults (TR); 1, SJSR, 25 Aug, adult still with most of its breeding plumage (DiP, BSt, ZS); 1, WEP, 11 Sep, molting adult, ID based on coloration and primary extension (RNa).

**American Golden-Plover** – 1, WEP, 8 Aug, ID based on wing projection (EdM); 2, WEP, 11 Sep, juvs., ID based on coloration and primary extension (RNa); 1, SJSR, 16 Oct (ALC, HH, JoW).

**Golden-Plover sp.** – 1, Bandon Marsh, 5 Aug, most likely a Pacific (DL, KC); 2, WEP, 23 Aug (TR); 1, WEP, 23 Aug, sounded like a Pacific (TR); 1, WEP, 25 Aug, sounded like a Pacific (TR); 1, WEP, 29 Aug, sounded like a Pacific (“tee-ooo-EEE” call) (TR); 1, WEP, 4 Oct, sounded like a Pacific (“tee-ooo-EEE” call) (TR); 2, Bullard’s Beach, Bandon, 19 Oct (DL, KC).

**Wilson’s Phalarope** – 1, SJSR, 3 Aug (NKS).

**Wandering Tattler** – 1-3, NJSR, 3 Aug (RR, NKS).

**Whimbrel** – 1, Bandon Marsh, through end of period (TR).

**Marbled Godwit** – 2, SJSR, 22 Aug (ALC, LBI, TLe); 2, GBBB, 26 Aug (DM); 6, SJSR, 21 Oct (DiP); 84, EMP, 24-31 Oct, a very large number for Coos (TR); 60 +, EMP, through end of period (TR).

**Red Knot** – 1, GBBB, 26 Aug (DM).

**BAR-TAILED GODWIT** – 1, SJSR, 17-26 Sep, first Lane record (BSt, ZS, et al.).

**Long-billed Curlew** – 1, Siltcoos R., 9 Aug (DHe, AHe); 1, WEP, 15-17 Aug (TR).

**Lesser Yellowlegs** – 2, Siltcoos R., 3 Aug (NKS); 3, Siltcoos R., 9 Aug (DHe, AHe); 3, WEP, 9 Aug (TR).

**Semipalmated Sandpiper** – 1, WEP, 1 Aug, juv. (TR); 1, WEP, 10-17 Aug, juv. seen on multiple dates – may have been more than one bird (TR).

**Western Sandpiper** – At WEP, 3300 on 9 Aug, 5000 on 22 Aug, and 7000 on 23 Aug (TR).

**Least Sandpiper** – 1500, WEP, 26 Sep (TR).

**Baird’s Sandpiper** – 8, WEP, 8 Aug (EdM); 12, WEP, 15 Aug (TR); 3, Siltcoos R., 16 Oct (ALC, HH, JoW); widespread and easy to find this season on the Lane and Coos coast (ALC, TR).

**Pectoral Sandpiper** – 2, WEP, 9 Aug (TR); 25+, WEP, 19 Sep (RNa); 20, WEP, 6 Oct (TR); 2, SJSR, 16 Oct (ALC, HH).

**Rock Sandpiper** – 1, SJSR, 30 Oct (JSu); 1, NJCB, 24 Nov (TR).

**Stilt Sandpiper** – 1, SJSR, 25 Aug (DiP, BSt, ZS).

**Buff-breasted Sandpiper** – 1, WEP, 23 Aug (TR); 7, WEP, 27 Aug (TR, RN); 13, WEP, 28 Aug, the second largest flock of this species ever seen in Oregon (DDe); 1-4, WEP, 29 Aug - 11 Sep (TR); 1-3, SJSR, 4-7 Sep (JSu, LJ, JaS, BSt, ZS, et al.); 5, WEP, 19 Sep (RNa); 1, WEP, 21 Sep, latest fall record for Coos (MiM).

**Red-necked Stint** – 1, Siltcoos R., 19 Sep, juv. (ALC, DFa).

**Wilson’s Phalarope** – 1-2, WEP, 1-17 Aug, last of juvs. hatched here this fall (TR, JCa).

**Red-necked Phalarope** – 2, WEP, 9 Aug (TR); 190, WEP, 27 Aug (TR); 1, WEP, 19 Oct, late for this species (TR).

**Red Phalarope** – 2, WEP, 28 Aug,
very early date for this species (DDe); 6, SJSR, 16 Nov (DiP); 1, NJCB, 19 Nov (TR).

**Ruff** – 1, SJSR, 25-30 Aug, adult female (reeve) (DiP, BSt, ZS, JCa, RR); 1, Siltcoos R., 16 Sep (BSt, ZS).

**Wilson’s Snipe** – 2, WEP, 29 Aug, do not breed in Coos; first record of this fall (TR).

**Heermann’s Gull** – 40, NJCB, 11 Nov (TR); 1, Bob Creek, LANE, 16 Nov (TR).

**Long-tailed Jaeger** – 10, COOS, Nov (ALC). 1, Wahl Ranch, mid-Oct (TJW); 1, Wahl Ranch, 21 Oct (TJW).

**Herring Gull** – 800, SJSR, 26 Nov, perhaps the highest number ever in the county (ALC).

**Bonaparte’s Gull** – 1, SJSR, 6 Sep (JMe); 12, Floras L., 29 Oct (TR); 20, Klooktchman, 30 Oct (ALC).

**Herring Gull** – 800, SJSR, 26 Nov, perhaps the highest number ever in the county (ALC).

**Thayer’s Gull** – 20, SJSR, 26 Nov (ALC).

**GLAUCOUS GULL** – 1, NJSR, 16 Nov through end of period (DiP, ALC, VA, et al.).

**Elegant Tern** – 12, GBBB, 12 Aug (DM); 50, GBBB, 14 Aug (DM); 1, Siltcoos R., 14 Aug (DA); 15, Charleston, COOS, 15 Aug (TR, EH, et al.); 20-30, Brooks area, 26 Aug (DM); 2, GBBB, 26 Aug (DM); 80-100, Brooks area, 1-7 Sep (fide DM); 135-145, GBBB, 6 Sep (DM, PTS); 4, NJSR, 6 Sep (JMe); 28, GBBB, 11 Sep (JSu).

**Common Tern** – 12, NJSR, 4 Sep (JSu, LJ, JMe); 2, GBBB, 5 Sep (R. McNair-Huff); 18, SJSR, 6 Sep (JMe); 8, SJSR, 7 Sep (DFa); 3, NJSR, 8 Sep (RR); 3, Siltcoos R., 19 Sep (RNA).

**Arctic/Common Tern** – 1, COOS pelagic, 4 Sep (GG et al.).

**Pomarine Jaeger** – 3, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (GG et al.).

**Long-tailed Jaeger** – 10, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (TR, EH, et al.).

**Parasitic Jaeger** – 1, Klooktchman, 30 Oct (ALC).

**Jaeger sp.** – 2, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug, Parasitic/Pomarine (TR, EH, et al.).

**Pigeon Guillemot** – 1, Florence area, 20 Nov (ALC, VA); 1, EMP, 24 Nov, late for still being in the bay (TR).

**Ancient Murrelet** – 1, Klooktchman, 30 Oct (ALC); 10, NJCB, 11 Nov (TR); 7, Klooktchman, 20 Nov (ALC); 5, NJCB, 24 Nov (TR).

**Cassin’s Auklet** – 50, COOS pelagic, 15 Aug (GG et al.).


**Short-eared Owl** – 1, Millicoma M., 19 Oct (BW, JWo).

**COSTA’S HUMMINGBIRD** – 1, Barb Griffin’s house, North Bend, COOS, 23 Nov through end of period, likely the same bird that overwintered in the same spot last year (BGn, TR).

**RED-NAPPED SAPSUCKER** – 1, Brooks area, 26 Sep, seen 5.5 miles up the Chetco R. near Mill Cr.; 5th CURR record (DM).

**BLACK-BACKED WOODPECKER** – 1, Game L. area, Siskiyou NF, CURR, 28 Oct, 4th or 5th Curry record (RN).

**Tropical Kingbird** – 1, Wahl Ranch, 20 Sep, Terry Wahl has seen this species on his ranch 7 years straight (TJW); 1, North Spit, Coos Bay, 20 Nov, this species has been seen in Coos County 6 out of the last 7 years (TR).

**Say’s Phoebe** – 1, Wahl Ranch, mid-Sep (TJW); 1, Wahl Ranch, 21 Oct (TJW).

**Northern Shrike** – 1, WEP, 21 Oct (TR); 1, SJSR, 30 Sep (ALC).

**LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE** – 1, Wahl Ranch, early October for two days (TJW).

**Western Scrub-Jay** – 1, WEP, 5 Oct, rare along the coast in Coos (TR).

**CLARK’S NUTCRACKER** – 1, Florence area, 1 Nov, rare on the coast (DiP).

**Purple Martin** – 3, Bandon, 11 Sep, 2 juvs and one juv./female (RNa); 1, SJSR, 19 Sep (ALC).

**Barn Swallow** – 1, WEP, 13-17 Aug, striking leucistic individual (TR, DL, KC).

**Rock Wren** – 5, Chetco L., Kalmiopsis Wilderness, CURR, 7 Aug, adults with recently fledged young, possibly first confirmed breeding in Curry (TR).

**Swainson’s Thrush** – several, Coos Bay, 30 Aug, first migrating birds heard pre-dawn (TR); 2, Coos Bay, 3 Oct, heard pre-dawn migrating overhead (TR).

**American Pipit** – 2, SJSR, 21 Aug (BSt); 450, WEP, 29 Sep, high count for the fall migration at this spot (TR); 400, Floras L., 29 Oct (TR); ALC reports low numbers for the Lane coast, numbers seemed typical on the Coos and Curry coast (TR).

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** – The ratio of Audubon’s to Myrtle Warblers on the Lane coast changes as the fall season moved along; in late Sep the ratio was 1:1; on 9 Oct it was about 3:1 Myrtle to Audubon’s (ALC).

**Nashville Warbler** – 1, WEP, 29 Aug (TR).

**Yellow Warbler** – 1, WEP, 6 Oct (TR).

**MAGNOLIA WARBLER** – 1, WEP, 28 Sep, first Coos record (TR).

**Palm Warbler** – 1, WEP, 28 Sep (TR); 1, SJSR, 30 Sep (ALC, HR); 1, SJSR, 3 Oct (ALC); 1, SJSR, 30-31 Oct (JSu, JCa); 6+, Floras L., 6 Nov (TR); 6-7, WEP, 9 Nov, one of largest flocks ever seen in Coos; present through end of period (TR).

**Common Yellowthroat** – 1, SJSR, 3 Oct (ALC); 1, Millicoma M., probable overwintering bird seen through end of period (TR).

**Yellow-breasted Chat** – 1, SJSR, 22 Aug, unusual coastal sighting (TLe).

**Wilson’s Warbler** – 2, WEP, 29 Sep (TR).

**Black-throated Gray Warbler** – 1, Bandon Marsh, 10 Oct (DL, KC).

**Lapland Longspur** – 2, SJSR, 4 Sep, reported as Longspur sp. (JSu, LJ); 1, SJSR, 8 Sep, reported as Longspur sp. (RR); 1, WEP, 19 Sep (RNa); 2, WEP.
26 Sep (TR); 13-18, WEP, 6-21 Oct, the 18 birds on 19 Oct is the largest flock known for Coos (TR); 40, Wahl Ranch, early Oct (TJW); 28, Floras L., 29 Oct (TR); 1, Bandon Marsh, 31 Oct (DL, KC); 6, N. Spit, Coos Bay, 11 Nov (TR).

**Chestnut-Collared Longspur** - 1, Cape Ferrelo, CURR, 19 Sep (A. Barron).

**Swamp Sparrow** - 1, Millicoma M., 22 Oct (TR); 5, Millicoma M., 17–22 Nov (TR).

**White-throated Sparrow** - 1, Florence area, 30 Sep (DiP); up to 3, Millicoma M., 22 Oct through end of period (TR).

**Grasshopper Sparrow** - 1, WEP, 3 Aug, 2nd county record (TR).


**Brant** - 1 at FW 16 Oct (LR).

**Clay-colored Sparrow** - 1-2, Millicoma M., 8-11 Oct, 2 birds were seen only on 10 Oct (TR, RNA); 1, Wahl Ranch, 15-16 Oct (RNA, TJW); 1, Port Orford, 28 Oct (LMI); 1, Brookings area, 31 Oct (SCh); 1, Wahl Ranch, 8 Nov (TJW); 1, Brookings area, 23 Nov through end of period (PHi).

**Vesper Sparrow** - 1, Wahl Ranch, 1 Nov (TJW).

**Lark Sparrow** - 1, Siskiyou National Forest, CURR, 8 Aug, seen well along FS Road 1990 between Vulcan L. trailhead and Brookings (TR).

**American Tree Sparrow** - 1, Floras L., 6 Nov, 6th Curry record (TR).

**Snow Bunting** - 4, SJSR, 27 Nov (JSu, JFo).


**Eurasian Green-winged Teal** - 1 at FW 25 Oct (GG).

**Barrow’s Goldeneye** - 9 Eagle Creek MULT 31 Oct-5 Nov (PJ, TL).

**Red-breasted Merganser** - Female at SI COLU 24 Nov (PTS).

**American Canvasback** - 1 at FW 25 Oct (GG).


**Eared Grebe** - Pair at FW 15 Oct (WG).

**Western Grebe** - Pair at FW 3 Oct (DiC).


Snowy Egret - Juv. at Tualatin River NWR WASH 3-7 Aug (m. ob.). 1 juv at FW 18-22 Aug (m. ob.).

Green Heron - Juv. at FW 10 Oct (EK). 1 Sherwood WASH 10 Oct (DR).

Black-crowned Night-Heron - 1 Scappoose Bottom COLU 13 Sept (JRI).


Osprey - 1 Barton Cty Park CLAC 19 Nov (BE).

Northern Goshawk - Imm. at Jackson Bottoms 27-28 Nov (DMA).


Golden Eagle - 1 Mt. Hood MUlt 15 Oct (JRI). 1 over Eagle Creek MULT 18 Nov (IT, J Fi).

Merlin - 1 at FW 10 Oct (EK). 1 at Jackson Bottoms 28 Nov (DMA).


Black-bellied Plover - 7 at SI COLU 30 Sept (WG). 5 near Broughton Beach MULT 20 Oct (JFi, IT).

Pacific Golden-Plover - 1 at FW 15 Sept (WG).

Semipalmated Plover - Pair at FW 15 Sept (WG).

Lesser Yellowlegs - 3 at FW 22 Aug (GG). 1 at Jackson Bottoms 10 Oct (EK p. ob.).

Solitary Sandpiper - 1 in WASH 16 Aug (BS).

Long-billed Curlew - Pair at PDX 2 Aug (CH).

Short-billed Dowitcher - Juv. at VPW 3 Aug (IT); 4 there 30 Aug (IT).


Sharp-tailed Sandpiper - 1 at FW 25 Oct (HBN).


Sanderling - Juv. at Timothy L. 9 Sept (ES, NaW).

Semipalmated Sandpiper - Juv. at FW 3 Oct (LM).


Northern Pygmy-Owl - 1 at PM 31 Oct (WG), another there 19 Nov (WG).


Western Gull - 1 at Smith L. 5 Nov (AnF).

Herrmann's Gull - 1 Molalla STP 26 Oct (DvdB).


Sabine's Gull - 1 fly-by at FW 20 Sept (AnF).

Caspian Tern - Pair at FW 11 Aug (EdM).

Arctic Tern - 1 at Timothy L. 2 Sept (NaW).


Barn Swallow - 1 at Jackson Bottoms 29 Nov (HBN).

Black Swift - 2 seen with swallows over Beaverton WASH 19 Sept (HBN).


Costa's Hummingbird - Male Sherwood WASH 26-30 Nov (CSh, m. ob.).

Red-breasted Sapsucker - 1 Portland 6 Sept (GrJ).

Hammond's Flycatcher - 1 at PM 16 Sept (WG). 3 GP MULT 20 Sept (JW).

Northern Shrike - Adult at Columbia Water Treatment Plant MULT 11 Nov (IT). Adult at Bybee L. 21 Nov (LR).

Black-billed Magpie - 1 at SI MULT 4 Oct (m. ob.).

Horned Lark - 50+ MULT 29 Nov (IT).


Mountain Chickadee - Up to 6 birds seen at Bonneville Dam MULT 22-30 Nov (IT, JFi).

Ruby-crowned Kinglet - First migrants noted Smith L. 21 Sept (AnF).

Golden-crowned Kinglet - Migrants noted at PM 22 Sept (WG).

Swainson's Thrush - Pair in Portland 10 Oct (MkM, MMA).

Townsend's Solitaire - 1 noted at PM 22 Nov (WG).

Varied Thrush - First migrants noted at Mt. Tabor MULT 12 Sept (GL).

American Pipit - First migrants noted at FW 25 Sept (GG). 100 at Smith L. 24 Oct (JFi).
Nashville Warbler – 1 at PM 9 Oct (WG).

Black-throated Blue Warbler – Male at Tanner Creek MULT 18-30 Nov (IT, JFi, m. ob.). Female at Smith/Bybee L. 29 Nov (IT).

Common Yellowthroat – HY male at FW 19 Nov (GG).

Orange-crowned Warbler – 1 at Smith L. 27 Oct (DHz), another there 28 Nov (PJ).

Northern Waterthrush – 1 very out of range in Portland 28 Oct-3 Nov (SJJa).

Vesper Sparrow – 1 at PDX 11 Aug (EdM).

Fox Sparrow – 1 at Mt. Tabor MULT 4 Sept (PJ), 1 at PM 16 Sept (WG), 1 at SI MULT 3 Oct (SJJa).


Chipping Sparrow – 1 GP MULT 20 Sept (JWi).

Lincoln’s Sparrow – 1 at Smith L. 21 Sept (AnF). Several noted at FW 25 Sept (GG).

Swamp Sparrow – 1 at FW 25 Sept (GG). 1 at Smith/Bybee L. 23 Nov (WG).

Slate-colored (Oregon) Junco – 1 in Portland 23 Oct (KB), another 1 Nov (KMc).

Lapland Longspur – 1 at FW 18 Sept (TE).

Snow Bunting – Non-breeding adult at Molalla STP 22 Oct (ES). 1 at SI COLU 28 Nov (IT).

Black-headed Grosbeak – 1 in Portland 17 Sept (AFr).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak – Male in Aloha WASH 12 Oct (HBN).

Lazuli Bunting – Singing adult at Oaks Bottom 28 Sept (EK p.ob).

Common Grackle – 1 seen briefly in SW Portland 24 Oct (JWi).

Gray-crowned Rosy Finch – 200 Mt. Hood CLAC 15 Oct (JR).

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Abbreviations:

AJOMF Ashland joint organization meeting field trip – September 2004
AL Agate Lake, JACK
APRI Applegate River, just west of Provolt, JOSE
DWA Denman Wildlife Area, JACK
EL Emigrant Lake, JACK
KSP Kiriland Road sewage ponds, JACK
LCR Lost Creek Res., JACK
LS Lake Selmac, JOSE
LRR Lower River Road area (west of Grants Pass), JOSE
LTR Lower Table Rock Nature Conservancy Preserve, JACK
MMP Merlin Mill Ponds, east of Merlin, JOSE
MP Mile Point
MRS Manzanita Rest Stop (north of I-5 exit 61), JOSE
NAMC North American Migration Count – 18 September 2004
OCNM Oregon Caves National Monument, JOSE
REP Roguelea Estates ponds (w. Grants Pass), JOSE
WS Whetstone Savannah – Nature Conservancy Reserve, JACK

Counties: DOUG = Douglas; JACK = Jackson; JOSE = Josephine.

Greater White-fronted Goose – 2 birds near Whetstone Pond JACK 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF). 
Snow Goose – 1 along Sam’s Valley Rd (near Modoc Rd.) JACK 13 Nov (DV).
Brant – Bird reported seen (once only) near Sutherlin in Oct (fide RoM).
Gadwall – 1 male at REP 27 Oct (DV).
American Wigeon – Bird at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF). 9 at MMP 18 Sep (DV).
Northern Shoveler – 2 at MMP 18 Sep (DV).
Northern Pintail – Seen at LCR 5 Aug (GS); seen at AL 2 Sep (DV); bird at MMP 9 Sep (DV).
Green-winged Teal – Birds at AL 2 Sep (DV); seen at MMP 9 Sep (DV).
Canvasback – 1 at REP 3 Nov (DV).
Ring-necked Duck – 75 at REP 3 Nov (DV).
Surf Scoter – Bird at LCR 4 and 6 Aug (JLi, NB).

White-winged Scoter – 1 below dam at LCR 29 Nov (NB).
Barrow’s Goldeneye – Injured bird along Rogue R. at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF).
Common Loon – Bird at LCR 12 Sep (NB); 1 at LS 26 Oct (DV).
Horned Grebe – 15 at KSP 15 Sep (NB). 1 at Nelson Way farm pond (east of Merlin I-5 exit) JOSE from 10 to 17 Nov (DV).
Red-necked Grebe – 1 at LCR 26 Sep (NB).
Eared Grebe – 1 at MMP 3 Nov (DV).
Western Grebe – 1 at LS 26 Oct (DV). 1 at Applegate R. gravel extraction ponds (west end Leonard Rd.) JOSE 27 Oct (DV).
Black-crowned Night-Heron – Bird at LCR 18 Aug (NB).
Turkey Vulture – 3 along Finch Rd (north of Kerby) JOSE 2 Oct (DV). 1 along N. Umpqua R.(Garden Valley Rd bridge) DOUG 13 Nov (MH).
White-tailed Kite – 1 at APRI 2 Aug (DV).

Northern Harrier – 1 along LRR 3 Nov (DV).
Red-shouldered Hawk – 1 at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF).
Rough-legged Hawk – 1 east of Dutchman Peak 27 Sep (DV); seen near Howard Prairie 20 Nov (PeT).
Golden Eagle – 1 near Dutchman Peak JACK 27 Sep (DV).
Merlin – Bird seen at LCR 26 Aug and at Shady Cove 29 Aug (NB).
Peregrine Falcon – 1 attacking White-tailed Kite at Whetstone Pond JACK 11 Sep (DV, AJOMF); immature bird at LS 26 Oct (DV).
Semipalmated Plover – 1 at EL 11 Sep (TJ, AJOMF). 1 at KSP 12 Sep (JWi, AJOMF).
Greater Yellowlegs – 4 at KSP 12 Sep (JWi, AJOMF).
Lesser Yellowlegs – 1 at KSP 11 Sep (DV, AJOMF).
Long-billed Dowitcher – 2-4 birds at EL 10-12 Sep (NK, TJ, JWi, AJOMF); seen at LCR 12 Sep (NB, JLi).
Least Sandpiper – 2 at MMP 18 Sep (DV).

Pectoral Sandpiper – 20-25 birds at KSP 26 Sep (JLi); bird north of Roseburg at mill pond near I-5 on 9 Oct (JGa).

Long-billed Dowitcher – Bird at KSP 12 Sep (JWi, AJOMF).
Wilson’s Snipe – 1 at KSP 11 Sep (DV, AJOMF).

Caspian Tern – 10 at EL 10 Sep (NKS, AJOMF). 3 at Tou Velle S.P. JACK 19 Sep (fide SJ). 4 at LCR 26 Sep (NB).

Glaucous-winged Gull – 1 below dam at LCR 13 Nov (DV).
Caspian Tern – 10 at EL 10 Sep (NKS, AJOMF). 3 at Tou Velle S.P. JACK 19 Sep (fide SJ). 4 at LCR 26 Sep (NB).
Band-tailed Pigeon – 100 near Glide 1 Oct (MaW); at least 170 in Bolan Mtn. area JOSE 2 Oct (DV).

Northern Pygmy-Owl – 1 at APRI 28 Oct was unusual (DV).

Great Gray Owl – Bird seen near Soda Mtn. JACK 27 Aug (TS); one near Howard Prairie 29 Aug (NB).

Common Nighthawk – 1 at APRI 31 Oregon Birds 31(1):29, Spring 2005
Aug was unusual (DV).

**Black Swift** — 1 along Rogue R. in Grants Pass 19 Sep (JGa). 2 at AL 19 Sep (JLi).

**Vaux’s Swift** — Last seen 19 Sept at Tou Velle S.P. JACK (fide SJ).

**Lewis’s Woodpecker** — Bird at LTR 8 Sep (NKS); several at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF).

**Williamson’s Sapsucker** — 1 female at Mt. Ashland 11 Sep (NKS, AJOMF).

**White-headed Woodpecker** — Bird at Tipsoo CG, Applegate L. JACK 21 Nov (NB).

**Olive-sided Flycatcher** — Bird at Grouse Gap (near Mt. Ashland) JACK 21 Aug (DV).

**Hammond’s Flycatcher** — 3 near OCNM (Bigelow L., nesting location) 18 Aug (DV).

**Say’s Phoebe** — 1 near Glide 14 Aug (MaW), 3 in Mt. Ashland area 10 Sep (TJ, AJOMF). 1 near west end of Leonard Rd. JOSE 27 Oct (DV). 1 at WS 14 Nov (DV).

**Ash-throated Flycatcher** — 1 *Myiarchus* sp. (possibly this species) in c. Douglas Co. 18 Sep (fide RoM, NAMC). 1 bird at Stewart Park DOUG 23 Sep (DeW).

**Northern Shrike** — 1 along Dead Indian Memorial Rd. (MP 5) JACK 9 Nov (FLo).

**Cassin’s Vireo** — Bird at DWA 11 Sep (DV, AJOMF).

**Warbling Vireo** — 1 at API 21 Sep (DV).

**Clark’s Nutcracker** — Bird near Mt. Ashland 10 Sep (TJ, AJOMF). 1 east of Dutchman Peak JACK 27 Sep (DV).

**Violet-green Swallow** — At least 20 in flight above Happy Camp Rd. (southeast of Takilma) JOSE 2 Oct (DV).

**Barn Swallow** — 13 at API 20 Aug, likely migrants (DV). A few at MMP 9 Sep (DV). 2 at Stewart Park DOUG 26 Oct (DeW).

**Mountain Chickadee** — 15 near OCNM (Bigelow L.) 18 Aug (DV); bird in Ashland (SOU campus) 21 Sep (fide SJ).

**Red-breasted Nuthatch** — 24 near OCNM (Bigelow L.) 18 Aug (DV).

**Rock Wren** — Bird near Glide 3 Sep (MaW).

**House Wren** — 2 near OCNM (Bigelow L.) 18 Aug (DV). 1 near Dutchman Peak JACK 21 Aug (DV). 1 at DWA 19 Sep (fide SJ).

**Blue-gray Gnatcatcher** — 1 at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF). 1 at MRS (east side) 12 Sep (NKS) and 18 Sep (DV). Bird at LTR 16 Sep (JaH).

**Swainson’s Thrush** — Bird at DWA 2 Sep (DV); bird at API 13 Oct (DV).

**Varied Thrush** — 1 at API 21 Sep (DV); bird east of Merlin I-5 exit JOSE 25 Sep (DV); at least 270 in flight (migrating) along Happy Camp Rd. (southeast of Takilma) JOSE 2 Oct (DV).

**Northern Mockingbird** — 1 at Whetstone Pond JACK 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF). 1 in nw. Grants Pass 29 Oct (TeB).

**American Pipit** — 18 in Dutchman Peak area JACK 27 Sep (DV). 20 along Deer Cr. Rd.(near MP 8) JOSE 26 Oct (DV).

**Orange-crowned Warbler** — 15 near OCNM (Bigelow L.) 18 Aug (DV).

**Yellow-rumped Warbler** — First seen along Applegate R. 21 Sep at API (DV).

**Black-throated Gray Warbler** — Adult feeding juv. along lower Grayback Cr. (near Cave Junction) JACK 21 Aug (DV).

**Common Yellowthroat** — 1 at WS 3 Aug and API 11 Aug (DV), both non-breeding locations.

**Western Tanager** — Bird at API 5 Oct (DV); late bird near Jacksonville 6 Nov (LN).

**Chipping Sparrow** — 3 east of Merlin I-5 exit JOSE 18 Sep (DV).

**Clay-colored Sparrow** — Bird at DWA 16 Sep (MRB, LaB); bird east of Canyonville DOUG 9 Oct (JGa).

**Breuer’s Sparrow** — 2 at WS 3 Aug (DV); seen along Shale City Rd. JACK 4 Sep (NB).

**Lark Sparrow** — Seen at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF).

**Fox Sparrow** — 3 Sooty race birds along Bolan Mtn Rd JOSE 2 Oct (DV).

**Harris’s Sparrow** — Bird in Ashland in Nov (BQ).

**Golden-crowned Sparrow** — Seen at DWA 10 Sep (DV, AJOMF). Mt. Ashland 11 Sep (NKS, AJOMF). 45 in Dutchman Peak area JACK 27 Sep (DV).

**Dark-eyed Junco** — At least 180 near OCNM (Bigelow L.) 18 Aug (DV). 150 at Grouse Gap (near Mt. Ashland) JACK 21 Aug (DV).

**Rose-breasted Grosbeak** — 1 at feeder in Medford 15 Aug (CaB).

**Black-headed Grosbeak** — 1 at DWA 11 Sep (DV, AJOMF). 1 at API 21 Sep (DV).

**Bullock’s Oriole** — Bird seen 15 Nov near Green DOUG (RoW).

**Purple Finch** — At least 80 at Horse Cr., Siskiyou N.F. (18 mi. west of Grants Pass) JOSE 10 Aug (DV).

**Brewer’s Finch** — 4 near OCNM (Bigelow L.) 18 Aug (DV). 15 at Grouse Gap (near Mt. Ashland) JACK 21 Aug (DV).

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Forster's Tern, 17 November, below the John Day Dam, Sherman Co. Photo/M. Denny

Abbreviations:

Counties: CROO = Crook; DESC = Deschutes; GILL = Gilliam; HOOD = Hood River, JEFF = Jefferson; SHER = Sherman, WASC = Wasco; WHEE = Wheeler.

Frequently cited locations: Bend, DESC; Clarno, WHEE; Green Ridge, JEFF; Gutierrez Ranch, CROO; Hatfield L., DESC; Haystack Res., JEFF; Houston L. & Little Houston L., CROO; John Day Dam, SHER; Ochoco Res., CROO; Prineville, CROO; Prineville STP, CROO; Prineville Res., CROO; Redmond STP, DESC; Sisters, DESC; Wickiup Res., DESC.

Greater White-fronted Goose - 9, Hatfield L., 4 Sep (HHo); 1, Spray, WHEE, 17 Sep (WWe); 80, Deschutes NAMC, 18 Sep (fide SDo); 12, Gutierrez Ranch, 18 Sep (CG); 4, Wickiup Res., 16 Nov (SDo, KO). 5, Hatfield L., 20 Sep (SDo). 15, near Bend Airport, DESC, 1 Nov (SDo, KO). 1, Fireman's Pond, DESC, 16 Nov (SDo, KO).

Snow Goose - 41 n. of Prineville, 11 Nov (CG).

Trumpeter Swan - 2, Gutierrez Ranch, 18 Sep (CG); 6, Haystack Res., 20 Oct (ChH).

Eurasian Wigeon - 1, Hatfield L., 3 Oct (SK, HHo, PTS); 2, Hatfield L., 31 Oct (DiK); 1, Government Cove, HOOD, 14 Nov (JaS).

Greater Scaup - 25, Hatfield L., 3 Oct (SK, HHo, PTS); 1, Prineville STP, 27 Oct (CG); 3, Ochoco Res., 31 Oct (SDo).

Surf Scoter - 1, Prineville STP, 24 Oct (CG); 1, Haystack Res., 25 Oct (SDo); 4, L. Billy Chinook, JEFF, 25 Oct (SDo); 3, Columbia R. e. of John Day R., GILL, 26 Oct (WCa); 2, Hatfield L., 31 Oct (JMe); 11, Wickiup Res., 1 Nov (SDo, KO), 1, L. Billy Chinook, JEFF, 7 Nov (SDo); 1, Hatfield L., 13 Nov (MM, CM).

White-winged Scoter - 1, Prineville STP, 25 Oct (SDo); 7, Columbia R. e. of John Day R., GILL, 26 Oct (WCa); 2, Wickiup Res., 1 Nov (SDo, KO).

Red-breasted Merganser - 2, Wickiup Res., 1 Nov (SDo, KO); 1, Haystack Res., 21 Nov (SSh).

Ruddy Duck - 1, Tumalo Res., DESC, 1 Aug (DeH), almost pure white bird.

Chukar - 27, Wheeler NAMC, 18 Sep (fide JeG).

Ruffed Grouse - 5, Metolius Preserve, JEFF, 29 Sep (SSh).

Blue Grouse - 2, Pacific Crest Trail near Lava Camp, DESC, 2 Sep (DDe); 4, Green Ridge, 22 Aug (SSh, KBo, CG, MH).

Mountain Quail - 6 near Spring Cr. Campground, JEFF, 1 Sep (SDo); 6, Green Ridge, 26 Sep (PL); 1, Clarno, 18 Sep (MB); low for this area; 10 near Hash Rock, CROO, 5 Oct (NM).

Pacific Loon - 2, Ochoco Res., 29 Sep (CG); 1, Mirror Pond, DESC, 31 Oct (fide TC); 1 below John Day Dam, 27 Nov (RGe); 1, Biggs, SHER, 27 Nov (RGe).

Common Loon - 1, Wickiup Res., 21 Aug (DeH, PL, JMe, SWr); 6, Ochoco Res., 29 Sep (CG).

YELLOW-BILLED LOON - 1 below John Day Dam, 28 Oct (THe).

Horned Grebe - 3, Gutierrez Ranch, 4 Sep (CG, SSh); 1, Hatfield L., 3 Oct (SK, HHo, PTS); 4, Haystack Res., 23 Oct (BBC); 5, Wickiup Res., 1 Nov (SDo, KO); 1, Hatfield L., 13 Nov (MM, CM); 1, Haystack Res., 7 Nov (SDo); 1, Haystack Res., 21 Nov (SSh).

Red-necked Grebe - 1, Suttle L., JEFF, 15 Sep (SSh); 1, Prineville Res., 16 Sep (fide SSh); 1, Wickiup Oct (SDo).
First-winter Franklin’s Gull, 17 November, below the John Day Dam, Sherman Co. Photo/M. Denny

Res., 2 Oct (fide SK); 1, Columbia R. e. of Cascade Locks, HOOD, 31 Oct (JGa).


American White Pelican – 1, Columbia R., WASC, 1 Aug (B&JB, PTS); 30, Rufus, SHER, 12 Aug (RGe); 1, Willow Cove, GILL, 28 Aug (PTS).

Brown Pelican – Possible sighting 1, Pacific Crest Trail near Lava Camp, DESC, 2 Sep (DDe).

American Bittern – 1, Little Houston L, 21 Aug (CG).

Great Egret – 1, Tumalo Res., DESC, 11 Aug (DeH); 5, Wickiup Res., 16 Nov (SDo); 2, Hatfield L, 21 Nov (DHa).

Black-crowned Night-Heron – 1, North Shore Rd., CROO, 15 Aug (SDo); 1, North Shore Rd., CROO, 4 Sep (CG, SSh).

White-faced Ibis – 1, Redmond STP, 9 Aug (KO); 1, Tetherow Crossing, DESC, 12 Aug (SDo); 2, North Bank Rd., CROO, 15 Aug (SDo); 20, Gutierrez Ranch, 15 Aug (CG).

Osprey – 1, Lower Bridge, DESC, 13 Nov (KS).

Northern Goshawk – 1 near Waldo L., DESC, 10 Aug (DDe); 1, Ochoco Cr. Rd., CROO, 29 Aug (CG); 1, Redmond STP, 30 Aug (KO); 3, Deschutes NAMC, 18 Sep (fide SDo); 5, Green Ridge, multiple dates & m. ob.

Red-shouldered Hawk – 1, Wickiup Res., 21 Aug (DeH, PL, JMe, Swr); 1 Tetherow Crossing, DESC, 29 Aug (SDo); 1, Little Deschutes R., DESC, 18 Sep (fide SDo); 1, Gerke Rd., CROO, 18 Sep (JMe), second county record.

Swainson’s Hawk – 4, Gutierrez Ranch, 15 Aug (CG); 1, Terrebonne, DESC, 13 Sep (SDo); 1 near Lower Bridge, DESC, 13 Sep (SDo); 1, Hatstack Res., 17 Sep (SDo).


Merlin – 1, Juniper Aquatic Center in Bend, 11 Aug (CCa); this is an early sighting.

Peregrine Falcon – 1, Hatfield L., 23 Aug (DeH, HHo JMe); 1, Ochoco Res., 2 Sep (CG); 1, Redmond STP, 17 Sep (KO); 2, Sherman NAMC, 18 Sep (fide DB); 2, Wickiup Res., 20 Sep (SDo); 1, Hatfield L., 17 Oct (fide JMe).

Sandhill Crane – 9, Hosmer L., DESC, 3 Aug (CyB); 55, Gutierrez Ranch, 15 Aug (CG); 3, Wickiup Res., 21 Aug (DeH, PL, JMe, Swr); 75, Gutierrez Ranch, 4 Sep (CG, SSh); 56, Crook NAMC, 18 Sep (fide CG); 1, Paulina Hwy, CROO, 23 Nov (KaM).

Black-bellied Plover – 1, Wickiup Res., 19 Sep (DT).

PACIFIC GOLDEN PLOVER – 1, Wickiup Res., 18 Sep (HHo, SDo).


American Avocet – 1, Ochoco Res., 2 Aug (CG); 2, Prineville STP, 6 Sep (CG); 2, Houston L., 18 Sep (CG).

Solitary Sandpiper – 1, jct. of Kent-Grass Valley Rd. and Wilson Rd., SHER, 1 Aug (PTS, B&JB); 1, Rufus, SHER, 12 Aug (RGe); 1, Moro, SHER, 12 Aug (RGe); 1, Kent, SHER, 12 Aug (RGe); 7, Redmond STP, 16 Aug (KO); 1, Hatfield L., 15 Aug (DeH); 1, Prineville STP, 19 Aug (CG); 1, Wickiup Res., 12 Sep (HHo).

Hudsonian Godwit – 1, Wickiup Res., 18 Sep (HHo, SDo), first DESC county record.

Ruddy Turnstone – 1, Wickiup Res., 21 Aug (DeH, PL, JMe, Swr).

Sanderling – 1, Ochoco Res., 6 Sep (CG).

Semipalmated Sandpiper – 7, Redmond STP, 2 Aug (KO); 2, Hatfield L., 7 Aug (MM, CM); 5, Kent, SHER, 12 Aug (RGe); 6, Haystack Res., 20 Aug (CG); 5, Hatfield L., 23 Aug (JMe, HHo DHa); 5, Ochoco Res., 18 Sep (PL); 1, Painted Cove Res., WHEE, 28 Sep (JeG), hard to find in WHEE.

Pectoral Sandpiper – 1, Gutierrez Ranch, 15 Aug (CG); 7, Ochoco Res., 17 Sep (CG); 7, Ochoco Res., 17 Sep (CG); 3, Deschutes NAMC, 18 Sep (fide SDo).
Short-billed Dowitcher – 1, Ochoco Res., 2 Sep (CG).

Red Phalarope – 1, Lost L., HOOD, 29 Aug (AnF); 1, Prineville STP, 26 Oct (CG).

Red-necked Phalarope – 6, Redmond STP, 2 Aug (KO); 10, Hatfield L., 7 Aug (MM, CM); 14, Prineville STP, 27 Aug (CG), 24, Crook NAMC, 18 Sep (fide CG); 3, Hatfield L, 19 Sep (DS).

Parasitic Jaeger – 1, Fredrick Butte Road, DESC, 24 Aug (CCa), bird found dead; 1, Prineville Res., 16 Sep (fide SSh), first CROO county record.

Franklin’s Gull – 1, Prineville STP, 27 Oct (CG); 1, John Day Dam, 17 Nov (M&MLD).

Little Gull – Possible sighting, 1, Giles French Park, SHER, 12 Aug (RG).

Bonaparte’s Gull – 1, Hatfield L., 7 Aug (MM, CM); 1 n. of Giles French Park, SHER, 12 Aug (RGe); 11, Hatfield L., 24 Oct (HHo); 200, Prineville STP, 26 Oct (CG); 21, Wickiup Res., 1 Nov (SDo, KO); 16, John Day Dam, 17 Nov (M&MLD).

Sabine’s Gull – 1, Gutierrez Ranch, 4 Sep (CG, SSh); 1, Haystack Res., 7 Sep (KO, SDo); 1, Prineville STP, 12 Sep (CG); 1 below John Day Dam, 9 Oct (DaM).

Common Tern – 1, Ochoco Res., 6 Sep (CG); 4, Redmond STP, 13 Sep (KO); 1, Prineville Res., 16 Sep (fide SSh); 2, Prineville Res., 16 Sep (fide SSh); 7, Price Rd. Ponds, WASC, 18 Sep (DLu); 21, Shernan NAMC, 18 Sep (fide DB); 4, Wickiup Res., 19 Sep (KO, CG); 1 below Hwy 97 Bridge, WASC, 26 Sep (DLu, PTS); 1, Hatfield L., 4 Sep (HHo); 1, Haystack Res., 7 Sep (SDo).

Forster’s Tern – 1, John Day Dam, 17 Nov (M&MLD), late date.

Band-tailed Pigeon – 1, Forest Rd. 14, JEFF, 29 Sep (SSh).

Barn Owl – 1 ne. of Sisters, 17 Aug (SSh); 4, Shernan NAMC, 18 Sep (fide DB); 1 near Climro, 18 Sep (MBe); 1, Redmond STP, 19 Nov (KO).

Flammulated Owl – 1, Virginia Meissner Snow Park, DESC, 18 Sep (JMe).

Western Screech Owl – 1, Crooked R., CROO, 8 Sep (KS); 1 se. of Mosier, WASC, 26 Sep (DLu, PTS).

Northern Hawk Owl – Possible sighting 1, Kline Falls Rd., DESC, 14 Nov (DeS); this bird was not relocated.

Northern Pygmy-Owl – 3, Crook NAMC, 18 Sep (fide CG); 3, Deschutes NAMC, 18 Sep (fide SDo); 2, Green Ridge, 26 Sep (KO); 1, Clear L., WASC, 26 Sep (DLu, PTS); 1, Tumalo SP, DESC, 24 Oct (SSh); 1, Wickiup Res., 1 Nov (SDo, KO); 1, North Twin L., DESC, 1 Nov (SDo, KO); 1, Grizzly Butte, CROO, 7 Nov (CG); 1, Smith Rock, DESC, 27 Nov (BGr).

Barred Owl – 1, Devil’s Half-Acre, HOOD, 28 Aug (SD); 1, Camp Polk Meadow, DESC, 5 Sep (SSh); 1, USFS Rd 380 above Todd L., DESC, 1 Oct (PTS).

Great Gray Owl – 1 near Round L., JEFF, 18 Sep (SSh).

Long-eared Owl – 1, Redmond STP, 10 Nov (KO).

Short-eared Owl – 1, Reif Rd. Powell Butte, CROO, 4 Nov (CG).

Northern Saw-whet Owl – 1, Green Ridge, 3 Oct (JMe); 1, Indian Ford CG, DESC, 9 Oct (DMA); 2 e. of Bend, 13 Nov (CM, MM).

Common Poorwill – 1 e. of Sisters in JEFF, 1 Oct (ST), late date.

Black-chinned Hummingbird – 1, ne. of Sisters, 9 Aug (SSh); 1 e. of Bend, 9 Aug (MM, CM).

Anna's Hummingbird – 1 e. of Bend, 9 Aug (MM, CM); 1 n. of Sisters, 10 Aug (JGk); 1, Deschutes R. Woods, DESC, 13 Aug (JM); 1, Pine Grove, WASC, 26 Sep (DLu, PTS); 1 e. of Bend, 10 Oct (MM).

Costa's Hummingbird – 1, Deschutes R. Woods, DESC, 13 Aug (JM).

Lewis' Woodpecker – 1, Willow Cove, GILL, 28 Aug (PTS); 14, Crook NAMC, 18 Sep (fide CG); 12, Wasco NAMC, 18 Sep (DLu); 3, Deschutes NAMC, 18 Sep (fide SDo); 24, Wheeler NAMC, 18 Sep (fide JeG), unusually high number.

Red-naped x Red-breasted Sapsucker – 1 se. of Sisters, 18 Nov (SSh).

White-headed Woodpecker – Many reports from the Sisters area; 3, Crook NAMC, 18 Sep (fide CG); 2, Wheeler NAMC, 18 Sep (fide JeG).

Three-toed Woodpecker – 2, Round L., JEFF, 10 August, (JEn); 2, Pacific Crest Trail near Waldo L., DESC, 10 Aug (DD); 1, Jack L. Loop Trail, JEFF, 15 Sep (SSh).

Black-backed Woodpecker – 1, Paulina Falls, DESC, 2 Aug (AA); 1, Davis L. CG, DESC, 2 Aug (fide AA); 1, Hash Rock Burn, CROO, 22 Aug (CG); 2, Link Burn, JEFF, 24 Aug (SSh); 1, Jack L. Loop Trail, JEFF, 15 Sep (SSh).

Willow Flycatcher – 1, Tetherow Crossing, DESC, 15 Aug (SD); 1, North Shore Rd., CROO, 23 Aug (SDo, CG, KO); 1, Camp Polk Meadow, DESC, 5 Sep (SSh); 1, Lower Bridge, DESC, 7 Sep (SDo).

Least Flycatcher – Possible sighting 1, Phoebe Pond, DESC, 11 Sep (KO).

Pacific Slope Flycatcher – 1, Moro, SHER, 1 Aug (PTS, B&JB); 1, Hay Canyon Rd., SHER, 1 Aug (PTS, B&JB).

Eastern Kingbird – 2, Gutierrez Ranch, 15 Aug (CG); 1, Prineville, 21 Aug (RHa); 2, Willow Cove, GILL, 28 Aug (PTS).

Loggerhead Shrike – 4, Gutierrez Ranch, 15 Aug (CG); 1 near Clarno, 18 Sep (MBe); 2, Shernan NAMC, 18 Sep (fide DB); 1, Houston L, 25 Oct (SDo); 1 near Moro, SHER, 27 Nov (RGe).

Northern Shrike – 1, Alkalfa, DESC, 31 Oct (DiK); 1, Powell Butte, CROO, 13 Nov (CG); 1, Powell Butte, CROO, 16 Nov (SDo, KO); 1, CRR, JEFF, 18 Nov (fide KS); 1, Cloverdale, DESC, 18 Nov (SSh); 1 near Moro, SHER, 27 Nov (RGe).

Red-eyed Vireo – 1, Tumalo SP, DESC, 28 Aug (HHo).

Steller's x Western Scrub Jay – 1 e. of Bend, 20 Oct (MM).

Blue Jay – 1, Sunriver, DESC, 12 Oct (Bob, Erickson); 1, Redmond, DESC, 22 Oct (DDE); 3, Bend, 23 Oct (JiG); 4, Fossil, WHEE, 23 Oct (LeB); 1,
Mill Creek, CROO, 29 Oct (ShP); 2, Redmond, DESC, 31 Oct (SCr); 2, Prineville, 31 Oct (fide RHa); 1, Aubrey Butte Bend, 3 Nov (APe); 1, O’Neil Hwy, CROO, 9 Nov (MLu); 3, Redmond, DESC, 20 Nov (JMe, DiK, PL, HHo); 1, Between Rufus and Wasco, SHER, 27 Nov (RGe).

*Chesnut-backed Chickadee* - 3, Scout L., JEFF, 15 Sep (SSh); 7, Wasco NAMC, 18 Sep (DLu).

*Bewick’s Wren* - 10, Willow Cove, GILL, 28 Aug (PTS); 2, DRSP, SHER, 2 Oct (RL).

*Blue-gray Gnatcatcher* - 4, North Shore Rd, CROO, 16 Aug (SDo); 1 s. of Powell Butte Cemetery, CROO, (CG).

*Northern Mockingbird* - 1 nw. of Sisters, 20 Aug (DoC); 1 e. of Bend, 3 Nov (C&M).


*Hermit Warbler* - 2, Independent Mine, CROO, 29 Aug (CG), *fourth county record.*

*Canadian Warbler* - Possible sighting 1, Tetherow Crossing, DESC, 3 Sep (SDo).

*Swamp Sparrow* - 1, Hatfield L., 23 Oct (CM, MM).

*Harris’s Sparrow* - 1, Discovery Center w. of The Dalles, WASC, 18 Nov (MLD).

*Indigo Bunting* - 1 se. of Sisters, 8 Sep (SSh).

*Lapland Longspur* - 1, Hatfield L., 3 Oct (HHo, PTS, SK); 1, Hatfield L., DESC, 7 Nov (CM, MM).

*Chesnut-collared Longspur* - 1, Hatfield L., 3 Oct (HHo, PTS, SK).

*Bobolink* - 1, Hatfield L., 19 Sep (SK, PL, DHa), first DESC county record.

*Gray-crowned Rosy Finch* - 1, Grizzly Butte, CROO, 6 Nov (KS); 2, Grizzly Butte, CROO, 11 Nov (CM, MM); 25, Smith Rock, DESC, 21 Nov (DaF); 65, Smith Rock, DESC, 24 Nov (KO); 100, Smith Rock, DESC, 29 Nov (KS).

*Purple Finch* - 12, Deschutes R. Woods, DESC, 6 Sep (JM); 1, Wickiup Res., 29 Sep (TC).

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**South Central Field Notes: Fall 2004**

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**Abbreviations**

SLWMA Summer Lake Wildlife Management Area

WRW Wood River Wetlands, KLAM

MIWMA Miller Island Wildlife Management Area

UKLB Upper Klamath Lake Basin, KLAM

AJOMF Ashland joint organization meeting field trip

**Counties:** KLAM = Klamath; LAKE = Lake.

**Frequently cited locations:** Chiloquin, KLAM; Fort Rock SP, LAKE; Klamath Falls, KLAM; Langell Valley, KLAM; Warner Valley, LAKE; Upper Klamath L., KLAM.


**Eared Grebe** - 90, L. Ewauna, KLAM, 22 Oct (KTS); 22, mostly Putnam’s Pt., KLAM, 7 Nov (KTS).

**Western Grebe** - 689, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS).

**Clark’s Grebe** - 1, Ana Res., LAKE, 21 Aug (PTS); 29, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS); 2, Putnam’s Pt., KLAM, 7 Nov (KTS) *last date reported.*

**Aechmophorus sp.** - 400, Pelican Marina, Moore Pk., Klamath Falls, 3 Sep (KTS).

**Western and Clark’s Grebe** - pair, 2 ad., (with 2 yng.), Putnam’s Pt., KLAM, 22 Oct (KTS); *ads. with distinctive species characteristics; yng. with intermediate plumage characteristics.*

**American White Pelican** - 1, Davis Res., KLAM, 15 Aug (KLa, WG); 120, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS); 907, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS); 3, Putnam’s Pt., KLAM, 7 Nov (KTS).

**Double-crested Cormorant** - 2187, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS).

**Great Egret** - 284, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS).

**Green Heron** - 4, Chiloquin, 8 Aug (KLAM, 12 Sep (WS); 2, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS); 1, Rocky Pt., KLAM, 10 Sep (KTS); 1, Chiloquin, 3 Oct (WS) *last date reported.*

**Black-crowned Night-Heron** - 130, Link R. roost, KLAM, 7 Nov (KTS).

**White-faced Ibis** - 43, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS).

**Turkey Vulture** - 40, Malin Pk., KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS).

**Greater White-fronted Goose** - 110, WRW, 18 Sep (WS).

**Canada Goose** - 400, WRW, 8 Oct (WS).

**Mute Swan** - 1, WRW, through season (KTS, DHi, WS).

**Wood Duck** - 15, WRW, 23 Aug (WS); 8, WRW, 18 Sep (WS).

**American Wigeon** - 48, Chiloquin, 28 Nov (WS).

**Blue-winged Teal** - 1, Summer L. basin, LAKE, 7 Aug (TeM); 5, WRW, 10 Sep (WS).


**Common Goldeneye** - 16, Chiloquin, 7 Nov (WS).

**Barrow’s Goldeneye** - 85, Link R., (KTS).
KLAM, 7 Nov (KTS).
Hooded Merganser – 6, Chiloquin, 28 Nov (WS).
Ossprey – 1, WRW, 8 Oct (WS) last date reported.
Northern Goshawk – 1, near Cold Sp. trailhead, KLAM, 6 Sep (KTS); 1, Warner Mtns., Fremont NF e. of Lakeview, LAKE, 1 Aug (JeG).
Red-shouldered Hawk – 1, Davis L., KLAM, 15 Aug (KLa, WG); 2, Odessa CG and near jct. Westside and Hwy 140 Rds, 10 -12 Sep, KLAM; 1, WRW, 8 Oct (WS); 2, Keno Bridge, KLAM, 9 Sep (AJOMF fide JeG); 1, Langell Valley, 18 Sep (KTS); 1, Lakeshore Dr. and Hwy 140, near end of period (KTS) amazing fall numbers for this area.
Swainson’s Hawk – ~45, Township Rd., KLAM, 10 Sep (Rob Hewitt); ~14, Township Rd., KLAM, 16 Sep (CKi) southward movement; 1, Township Rd., KLAM, 18 Sep (TSe) last date reported.
Red-tailed Hawk – >30, Hwy 31, especially dense south of Summer L., LAKE, 4 Oct, (TSe) mostly in Winter Rim burn.
Ferruginous Hawk – 5, Fort Rock – Christmas Valley, LAKE, 23 Aug (KBo); 1, Fort Rock SP, 14 Sep (TSe); 1, Abert Basin, LAKE, 3 Oct (TSe).
Rough-legged Hawk – 1, near Wocus Bay, KLAM, 9 Sep (AJOMF fide JeG); 1, Fort Rock SP, 14 Sep (DT) both very early.
Merlin – 1, Klamath Falls, 21 Oct (KTS).
Peregrine Falcon – 1, WRW, 7 Oct (WS); 1, SLWMA, 7 Aug (TeM); 1, Davis L., KLAM, 15 Aug (KLa, WG); 3, MIWMA and Upper Klamath L., 18 Sep (DHi, KTS).
California Quail – 147, Chiloquin, 28 Nov (WS).
American Coot – 3050, WRW, 23 Aug (WS); 1362, Agency L., KLAM, 8 Oct (WS).
American Avocet – 300, SLWMA, 1 Aug (JeG); 14, Lakeview STP, LAKE, 23 Sep (KTS).
Snowy Plover – 4, SLWMA, 1 Aug (JeG); 16, Schoolhouse L., SLWMA, 21 Aug (PTS); noted, Abert L., LAKE, 3 Oct (TSe).
Solitary Sandpiper – 1, Davis L., KLAM, 15 Aug (KLa, WG).
Western Sandpiper – 50, SLWMA, 1 Aug (JeG); 30, Warner Valley, 1 Aug (JeG).
Least Sandpiper – 100, SLWMA, 1 Aug (JeG); 15, Warner Valley, 1 Aug (JeG).
Baird’s Sandpiper – 1, Schoolhouse L., SLWMA, 21 Aug (PTS).
Pectoral Sandpiper – Noted, Abert Basin, LAKE, 3 Oct (TSe).
Short-billed Dowitcher – 2, SLWMA, 21 Aug (PTS) rare to uncommon east side.
Long-billed Dowitcher – 17, Lakeview STP, LAKE, 23 Sep (KTS); 180, WRW, 8 Oct (WS).
Wilson’s Phalarope – 200, SLWMA, 1 Aug (JeG).
Red-necked Phalarope – 4, Stateline Rd., KLAM, 9 Sep (NKS).
Bonaparte’s Gull – 96, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS); 85, L. Ewauna, KLAM, 22 Oct (KTS).
Mew Gull – 1 ad, L. Ewauna, KLAM 9 Sep - 22 Oct (Jon Dunn, KTS).
Herring Gull – 3, Moore Pk. Marina, KLAM, 23- 29 Aug (WS); 1 Odessa CG, 18 Sep (KTS); 1, Chiloquin, 8 Aug - 12 Sep, KLAM (WS).
Short-billed Dowitcher – 2, Winter Rim, LAKE, 21 Aug (PTS).
Least Sandpiper – 100, SLWMA, 1 Aug (PTS).
White-throated Swift – Heard only, near Annie Ck. Falls, Crater Lake National Park, KLAM, 9 Sep (Bob Evans) extremely rare, few records for Klamath Co.
Baird’s Sandpiper – 1, host’s residence, Fort Rock SP, 21 Aug (PTS).
Anna’s Hummingbird – 1, host’s residence, Fort Rock SP, 21 Aug (PTS); 1, Moore Pk., Klamath Falls, 3 Sep (KTS); 1, Chiloquin, 8 Aug-KLAM, 6 Sep (WS); 1, Klamath Falls, 18 Sep (KTS).
Calliope Hummingbird – 1, SLWMA, 7 Aug (TeM).
Rufous Hummingbird – 3-4, Chiloquin, 1 Aug-6 Sep KLAM (WS); 1, Klamath Falls, 18 Sep (KTS).
Lewis’s Woodpecker – 3, Langell Valley residence, 18 Sep (JvH); 3 pairs nested on property during summer ’04. 1, Chiloquin, 18 Sep (WS).
Red-naped Sapsucker – 1-2, Chiloquin, 8 Aug to 12 Sep, KLAM (WS).
Red-breasted Sapsucker – 9, UKLB, 18 Sep (KTS).
White-headed Woodpecker – 1, Odessa CG, KLAM, 10 Sep (KTS); 2, Mare’s Egg Sp., KLAM, 12 Sep (KTS); 2, Cabin L. CG, LAKE, 17 Oct (AR).
Olive-sided Flycatcher – 1, Westside Rd., KLAM, 18 Sep (DHi).
Willow Flycatcher – 8, WRW, KLAM, 23-29 Aug (WS); 1 Odessa CG, KLAM, 10 Sep (Jon Dunn).
Hammond’s Flycatcher – 1, Odessa CG, KLAM, 10 Sep (Joe Morlan).
Black Phoebe – 1, Bonanza City Pk., 18 Sep and 3 Dec. (KTS); 1, near Stateline and Hwy 39 on Lost R., KLAM, 21 Sep (KTS); 2, Putnam’s Pt., and L. Ewauna, Klamath Falls, KLAM, 22 Oct (KTS) unusually high numbers.
Say’s Phoebe – 1, Chiloquin, 26 Sep (WS).
EASTERN KINGBIRD – 1, near Valley Falls, LAKE, 7 Aug (TeM).
Pinyon Jay – 75, Cabin L. CG, LAKE, 21 Aug (PTS); 30, n. of Christmas Valley, LAKE, 22 Sep (ALC); 130, Langell Valley, 18 Sep thru end of period (JvH); 15, Cabin L. CG, LAKE, 26 Aug (AR).
American Crow – Noted, near SLWMA, 7 Aug (TeM).
Violet-green Swallow – 62, Chiloquin, 18 Sep (WS).
Barn Swallow – Noted, Abert basin, LAKE, 3 Oct (TSe).
Black-capped Chickadee – 4, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS); 1, Odessa CG, KLAM, 10 Sep (Jon Dunn); 5, WRW, 10 Sep (WS); 4, Link R., KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS); 3, near Yacht Club, Upper Klamath L., 7 Nov (KTS).
Oak Titmouse – 2, Moore Pk., KLAM, 3 Sep (KTS).
Juniper Titmouse – 3, Fifteen Mile Ck. drainage, LAKE, 1 Aug (JeG); 3, Langell Valley residence, 18 Sep (JVH).
Red-breasted Nuthatch – 1, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS).
White-breasted Nuthatch – 2, Odessa CG, KLAM, 10 Sep (Jon Dunn) calls noted to be of “coastal form”; “interior form” known to be further north on eastside near Bend; familiarity with calls of both forms needed for awareness of distribution as species split being considered.
Rock Wren – Family of 3, backyard, Klamath Falls, 6 Sep (KTS).
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher – 3, Moore Pk, KLAM, 3 Sep (KTS); 3, Fifteen Mile Ck. drainage, LAKE, 1 Aug (JeG).
Western Bluebird – 24, Langell Valley residence, 18 Sep (JVH); 13, Chiloquin, 18 Sep (WS); 10, Cabin L. CG, LAKE, 26 Aug (AR); 20, Klamath Falls, 24 Oct (KTS).
Varied Thrush – 2, WRW, 8 Oct (WS); 3, Chiloquin, 31 Oct (WS).
Sage Thrasher – 3, near Merrill, 18 Sep (KTS).

American Pipit – 6, Township Rd. area, 18 Sep (KTS); 21, WRW, 8 Oct (WS); 7, Chiloquin, 7 Oct (WS).
Orange-crowned Warbler – 70, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS); 36, WRW, 10 Sep (WS).
Yellow-rumped Warbler – 90, Moore Pk., 3 Sep and 190, southern Klamath Co., KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS); 49, (6 Myrtle), WRW, 8 Oct (WS); 50, (6 Myrtle), Klamath Falls, 22 Oct (KTS).
Black-throated Gray Warbler – 1, SLWMA, 7 Aug (WS); 1, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS); 3, Rocky Pt., KLAM, 12-18 Sep (KTS, DHt); 3 singles observed during period were likely different individuals.
Townsend’s Warbler – 4, Westside Rd. area, 18 Sep (KTS).
Black and White Warbler – 1, Hart Mountain Hot Sp. CG, LAKE, 29 Aug (TS).
Yellow-breasted Chat – 1, near SLWMA, 7 Aug (TeM).
Western Tanager – 55, WRW, 4 Sep (KTS).
Green-tailed Towhee – 2, Cabin L. CG, LAKE, 26 Aug (AR).
Chipping Sparrow – 61, Chiloquin, 18 Sep (WS); 4, Chiloquin, 3 Oct (WS) last date reported.
Brewer’s Sparrow – Several, including ad. & juv., Davis L., KLAM, 15 Aug (KLa, WG); 1, MIWMA, KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS).
Sage Sparrow – Noted, Abert basin, LAKE, 3 Oct (TSe) last date reported.
Savannah Sparrow – 143, Klamath Basin, KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS).

Fox Sparrow – 1, Wingwatchers Trail, Klamath Falls, 22 Oct (KTS) Sooey race.
White-throated Sparrow – 1 (tan-striped), Chiloquin, 26 Sep, KLAM. 1 (tan-striped), WRW, 8 Oct (WS).
White-crowned Sparrow – 6, Langell Valley, 18 Sep (JVH); 43 and 55 Chiloquin, 26 Sep and KLAM, 3 Oct (WS).
Black-headed Grosbeak – 1, Westside Rd., KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS).
Tricolored Blackbird – Noted, SLWMA, 7 Aug (TeM) very rare in LAKE; 2, MIWMA, KLAM, 9 Sep (RHJo).
Yellow-headed Blackbird – Noted, Davis L., KLAM, 15 Aug (KLa).
Brewer’s Blackbird – 145, Spring L., KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS).
Purple Finch – 9, Moore Pk., Klamath Falls, 3 Sep (KTS); 7, Chiloquin, 5 Sep (WS); 4, WRW, 18 Sep (WS).
Cassin’s Finch – 13, Chiloquin, 3 Oct (WS).
Red Crossbill – 82, Chiloquin, 28 Nov (WS).
Pine Siskin – 68, Chiloquin, 12 Sep (WS).
Lesser Goldfinch – 85, Klamath Basin, 18 Sep (KTS, WS).
American Goldfinch – 92, Klamath Basin, KLAM, 18 Sep (KTS, WS).
Evening Grosbeak – 66, Chiloquin, 18 Sep (WS); 142, Chiloquin, 3 Oct (WS); 10, WRW, 8 Oct (WS).
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Abbreviations:

Frequently cited locations: Bear Valley, GRAN; Bowman Tr. (in Eagle Cap Wild.), WALL; Cold Springs NWR, UMAT; Elgin STP, UNIO; John Day, GRAN; Joseph STP, WALL; La Grande & La Grande STP, UNIO; Ladd Marsh WMA, UNIO; McNary Dam (on Columbia R.) & McNary WP, UMAT; Morgan L., UNIO; Olive L., GRAN; Tenderfoot Tr. (in Eagle Cap Wild.), WALL; Thief Valley Res., UNIO; Umatilla NWR, MORR; Unity Res., BAKE; Wallowa L., WALL.


Greater White-fronted Goose – 10 at McKay Res., UMAT, 4 Sep (PBC).

Snow Goose – Numerous sightings from GRAN, late Oct - mid Nov (GCBC).

Wood Duck – 3 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

Eurasian Wigeon – 2 at Ladd Marsh WMA, 23 Nov (CN).

American Wigeon – 3 at Ladd Marsh WMA, 23 Nov (CN).

Blue-winged Teal – 4 at the Joseph STP, 19 Sep (MD & MLD).

Cinnamon Teal – 1 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc). 1 at Ladd Marsh WMA, late Nov (TrB & CN).

Northern Shoveler – 40 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc). 150 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).

Green-winged Teal – 12 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc). 150 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).

Canvasback – 1 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe). 5 near Olive L., 2-8 Oct (SpO). 8 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).

Redhead – 1 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).

Ring-necked Duck – 6 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).

Lesser Scaup – 4 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).

Bufflehead – 6 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).


Barrow’s Goldeneye – 1 female at the La Grande STP, (TrB). 3 near McNary Dam, 12 Nov (PBC).


Red-breasted Merganser – 2 females with Commons near McNary Dam, 30 Oct (MD & MLD). 1 female at the Seventh St. Pond, in John Day, 4 - 7 Nov (GCBC).

Ruddy Duck – 1 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc). 200+ at Wallowa L., 6 Oct (FC).


White-winged Scoter – 1 male at the La Grande STP, 12 - 14 Oct (TrB & MPM), second documented UNIO record.

Chukar – Several near Dayville, GRAN, Aug (GCBC).

Gray Partridge – 35 near Mt Emily off of Lefel Rd., UNIO, 16 Oct (TrB, MRH, SS & CD).


Spruce Grouse – 2 females along Bowman Tr., 27 Sep (CSw & DSt).

Blue Grouse – 5 near Morgan L., 1 Aug - 26 Oct (TrB & MRH). 1 near Dale, UMAT, 4 Aug (PBC). 2 near...
Moss Springs GS, UNIO, 7 Oct (KCo).

**Mountain Quail** — 5 near Dale, UMAT, 4 Aug (PBC). 2 adults with 14 young near Fields Cr., GRAN, 7 Aug (RR).

**California Quail** — 400+ near Union, UNIO, Nov (fide TrB).


**Pacific Loon** — 12 near McNary Dam, 11 Nov (PBC). 1 dead bird found near John Day, 21 Oct (GCBC), first documented GRAN record.

**Pied-billed Grebe** — Several at Ladd Marsh WMA, 22 Sep (KA & CN).

**Horned Grebe** — 3 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB). 1 at Unity Res., Sep (MaR). 4 at Wallowa L., 6 Oct (FC).

**Eared Grebe** — 13 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).

**Western Grebe** — 2 at Wallowa L., 17 Sep (FC). 11 at Wallowa L., 6 Oct (FC). 1 at Olive L., 2 - 8 Oct (SpO).

**Clark’s Grebe** — 1 at Unity Res., Sep (MaR). 1 at the La Grande STP, 12 Oct (TrB).

**American White Pelican** — Several at Ladd Marsh WMA, 22 Sep (KA & CN).

**Double-crested Cormorant** — 150 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe). Several at Ladd Marsh WMA, 22 Sep (KA & CN).

**American Bittern** — 1 at Ladd Marsh WMA, 22 Sep (KA & CN).

**Great Blue Heron** — 9 near Ladd Marsh WMA, Nov (fide TrB).

**Green Heron** — 1 near John Day, 10 Oct (GCBC), first documented GRAN record.


**Cattle Egret** — 1 along Stateline Rd.

**Northern Harrier** — 2 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

**Sharp-shinned Hawk** — 4 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

**Cooper’s Hawk** — 1 adult male Lake Fork drg., Eagle Cap Wild., BAKE, Sep 3 (MD). 1 along Bowman Tr., 27 Sep (Csw & Dst).

**Northern Goshawk** — 1 near Prairie City, GRAN, 8 Aug (GCBC). 1 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

**Swainson’s Hawk** — 2 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

**Red-tailed Hawk** — 15 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

**Ferruginous Hawk** — 1 near Dog Cr., GRAN, 9 Aug (GCBC). 1 along Wilkinson Rd. near the intersection of Peach Rd., UNIO, 11 Sep (CBe & JqS).

**Rough-legged Hawk** — 1 along Hwy 203 near Hot L., UNIO, 29 Sep (CN).

**Golden Eagle** — 2 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD). 1 along Tenderfoot Tr., 26 Sep (Csw & Dst).

**American Kestrel** — 3 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).


**Prairie Falcon** — 2 near Thief Valley County. Photo/T. Bray.
Black Swift and Turkey Vulture 24 August, over the southeast corner of Wenaha-Tucannon Wilderness one mile east of the Hoodoo Trailhead, Wallowa Co. Photo/T. Bray.

Res., 10 Oct (TrB).


**American Coot** - 1 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc). 250 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).

**Sandhill Crane** - Several at Unity Res., Sep (MaR).


**Killdeer** - 110 at Thief Valley Res., 18 Sep (TrB & PuH).

**American Golden Plover** - 4 at Cold Springs NWR, 1 Oct (CC, JuC & NH).

**Black-bellied Plover** - 7 at Cold Springs NWR, 30 Sep (CC, JuC & NH).

**Greater Yellowlegs** - 4 at Thief Valley Res., 18 Sep (TrB & PuH). 1 near Pendleton, UMAT, 26 Nov (PBC).

**Lesser Yellowlegs** - 20 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).

**Willet** - 1 near Bear Valley, Aug (GCBC).

**Solitary Sandpiper** - 1 at McKay Res., UMAT, 7 - 14 Aug (PBC). 1 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

**Spotted Sandpiper** - 4 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

**Marbled Godwit** - 1 along Peach Rd. in Ladd Marsh WMA, 10 Sep (KA).

**Sanderling** - 1 at the Joseph STP, 10 Sep (FC). 1 at Unity Res., Sep (MaR).

**Semipalmated Sandpiper** - 2 at McKay Res., UMAT, 14 Aug (PBC). 1 at the Joseph STP, 10 Sep (FC).


**Pectoral Sandpiper** - 20 at Thief Valley Res., 18 Sep (TrB & PuH). 1 at the Joseph STP, 19 Sep (MD & MLD).

**Dunlin** - 40 at McNary WP, Nov (CC).


**Wilson’s Snipe** - 9 at Thief Valley Res., 18 Sep (TrB & PuH).

**Wilson’s Phalarope** - Several near Prairie City, GRAN, Aug (GCBC).


**Sabine’s Gull** - 1 at McNary WP, 11-13 Sep (CC & PBC). 1 imm. at Wallowa L., 17-18 Sep (FC & CBe).

**Franklin’s Gull** - 1 at the Joseph STP, 10 Sep (FC).

**Bonaparte’s Gull** - 3 at McNary WP, 11 Sep (CC). 100+ near McNary
Mew Gull – 2 near McNary Dam, 26 Nov (CC).
Ring-billed Gull – 40 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).
California Gull – 97 at Wallowa L., 19 Sep (MD & MLD).
Herring Gull – 2 at Wallowa L., 19 Sep (MD & MLD).
- 2 at McNary Dam, 16 Sep (WWe).
- 2 at Wallowa L., 19 Sep (MD & MLD).
Heerman’s Gull – 2 near McNary Dam, 26 Nov (WWe).
Herring Gull – 2 at Wallowa L., 19 Sep (MD & MLD).
- 2 at McNary Dam, 30 Oct (MD & MLD).
Ring-billed Gull – 40 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).
- 97 at Wallowa L., 19 Sep (MD & MLD).
Northern Pygmy-Owl – BAKE, 15 Sep (CG).
Western Screech-Owl – near 1-84, UNIO, 10 Nov (MMe).
- 2 near a Cove residence, UNIO, 9 - 11 Sep (NaC). 2 near Richland, BAKE, 15 Sep (CG).
Mourning Dove – 50 along Gekler Rd., UNIO, late Nov (fide TrB).
Barn Owl – 1 heard calling near Morgan L., 8 Nov (TrB & MRH). 2 adults with young along Foothill Rd. near I-84, UNIO, 10 Nov (MMe).
Western Screech-Owl – 2 near a Cove residence, UNIO, 9 - 11 Sep (NaC). 2 near Richland, BAKE, 15 Sep (CG).
Great Horned Owl – 2 near Richland, BAKE, 15 Sep (CG).
Barred Owl – 1 pair Lake Fork drg., Eagle Cap Wild., BAKE, Sep 3 (MD).
Great Gray Owl – 1 along Kanine Ridge near Cayuse, UMAT, 10 Aug (PBC). 1, Lake Fork drg., Eagle Cap Wild., BAKE, Sep 3 (MD).
Long-eared Owl – 1 near Bear Valley, Aug (GCBC).
Common Nighthawk – 1 at McNary WP, 11 Sep (CC).
Vaux’s Swift – Several at Unity Res., Sep (MaR). 21 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).
Black-chinned Hummingbird – 1 imm. male at a La Grande feeder, 18 Sep (TrB).
Anna’s Hummingbird – 1 subadult male at a Joseph feeder, WALL, 6 Oct (FC & SCO), the first documented sighting in county. 2 subadult males at a La Grande feeder, 27 Sep - 14 Oct (RAI & TrB) were the second documented UNIO record, photos taken.
Rufous Hummingbird – 1 imm. male at a La Grande feeder, 17 Sep (JGa). 1 near Mt. Vernon, GRAN, 4 Nov (GCBC).
Belted Kingfisher – 5 near Olive L., 2 - 8 Oct (SpO).
Williamson’s Sapsucker – 1 near Bear Valley, Aug (GCBC).
Red-naped Sapsucker – 1 near Bear Valley, Aug (GCBC).
Yellow-breasted Sapsucker – 1 near John Day, Nov (GCBC). No details.
Downy Woodpecker – 1 near Bear Valley, Aug (GCBC).
Hairy Woodpecker – 4 near Olive L., 2 - 8 Oct (SpO). 1 male & 1 female near Morgan L., Aug to the end of the period (TrB & MRH).
White-headed Woodpecker – 1 male at a La Grande feeder, 13 - 21 Nov (TrB & MRH).
American Three-toed Woodpecker – 1 along Tenderfoot Tr., 26 Sep (CSW & DSt). 1 at a feeder near Morgan L., Oct (TrB & MRH).
Ash-throated Flycatcher – 1 near Prairie City, GRAN, Aug (GCBC).
Willow Flycatcher – 1 near Morgan L., 28 Sep (TrB).
Say’s Phoebe – 2 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe). Several from GRAN, late Oct - mid Nov (GCBC).
Loggerhead Shrike – 1 near Dayville, GRAN, Aug (GCBC).
Steller’s Jay – 10 near Olive L., 2 - 8 Oct (SpO).
Blue Jay – 50 sightings from Union County, 30 Sep - Nov (fide TrB). 23 sightings from Umatilla County, 5 Oct - 12 Nov (PBC & CC). 2 at a feeder near Enterprise, WALL, 6 Oct (FC). Approx. 5 sightings from GRAN, Oct - Nov (GCBC).
Clark’s Nutcracker – 1 near Morgan L., 4 Sep (TrB, SS & MMB).
Common Raven – 65 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).
Horned Lark – 12 along Sandridge Rd., UNIO, Nov (fide TrB).
Tree Swallow – 1 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).
Barn Swallow – 60 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).
Black-capped Chickadee – 28 coming to a La Grande feeder, Nov (fide TrB).
Mountain Chickadee – Many sightings from NE OR at lower than normal elevations (fide TrB).
Chesnut-backed Chickadee – 5 at Emigrant Springs SP, UMAT, 15 Oct (PBC).
White-breasted Nuthatch – 1 near Olive L., 2-8 Oct (SPo).

Pygmy Nuthatch – 10 at a feeder near Morgan L., Oct (TrB & MRH).

Brown Creeper – 1 along Bowman Tr., 27 Sep (CSw & DSi). 1 near Morgan L., 12 Oct (TrB).

Rock Wren – 1 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe).

Canyon Wren – 1 near Thie Valley Res., 10 Oct (TrB).

Bewick’s Wren – 1 at Rhinehart Canyon, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc). 4 along Clark Cr., UNIO, 6 Nov (MD & MLD).

Marsh Wren – 1 near Dog Cr., GRAN Oct (GCBC).

House Wren – 1 near the Elgin STP, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

Winter Wren – Several along Bowman Tr., 27 Sep (CSw & DSi).

American Dipper – 1 along Tenderfoot Tr., 26 Sep (CSw & DSi).

Golden-crowned Kinglet – Several near Strawberry L., GRAN, 8 Aug (GCBC).

Ruby-crowned Kinglet – 4 near Morgan L., 12 Oct (TrB).

Western Bluebird – 21 near Morgan L., 19 Aug (TrB).

Mountain Bluebird – Several at Unity Res., 4 at the Joseph STP, 19 Sep (MD & MLD). 80+ near Desolation Butte, GRAN, 2-8 Oct (SPo).

Townsend’s Solitaire – 1 near Morgan L., 11 Aug (TrB).

Swainson’s Thrush – 1 at Hat Rock SP, UMAT, 10 Oct (CC).

Hermit Thrush – 4 near McNary Dam, 30 Oct (MD & MLD).


Varied Thrush – 2 near Morgan L., 20 Oct (TrB).

Gray Catbird – 6 at Rhinehart Canyon, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

American Pipit – 5 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

Bohemian Waxwing – 20 near Modelaire & Sunset St. in La Grande, 13 Nov (RAI). 75 near Foothill Rd. & I-84, UNIO, 21 Nov (CBe).

Cedar Waxwing – 20 at Rhinehart Canyon, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

Cassin’s Vireo – 1 near Canyon Cr., GRAN, Sep (GCBC).

Warbling Vireo – 1 near John Day, Sep (GCBC).


Black-throated Gray Warbler – 1 near John Day, 6 Sep (GCBC). 1 at Clyde Holliday Sp, GRAN, 9 Sep (GCBC).

Yellow Warbler – 4 at Rhinehart Canyon, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

Wilson’s Warbler – 1 in a La Grande yard, late Oct (KCo).

Common Yellowthroat – 1 at McNary WP, 28 Nov (CC & JuC).

Northern Waterthrush – 1 at McNary Park, UMAT, 8 Sep (CC & JuC), fourth documented Umatilla County sighting, video.

Yellow-breasted Chat – 1 at Rhinehart Canyon, 30 Aug (TrB, JqS & LSc).

Western Tanager – 1 at McNary WP, 11 Sep (CC).

Spotted Towhee – 15 near McNary Dam, 30 Oct (MD & MLD).

Green-tailed Towhee – 1 near Silvies R., GRAN, 14 Aug (GCBC).

American Tree Sparrow – 8 along Pierce Rd., near La Grande, 18 Nov (TrB).

Vesper Sparrow – 10 near Morgan L., 2 Sep (MRH & TrB).

Brewer’s Sparrow – 2 along Vinson-Gurdane Rd., UMAT, 27 Aug (PBC).

Savannah Sparrow – 1 near a Mt. Glen feeder, UNIO, 13 Nov (SS & CD).


Lincoln’s Sparrow – 1 near Bear Valley, 14 Aug (GCBC).

Swamp Sparrow – 2 at McNary WP, 7 Nov (MD, MLD & JGa).

Harris’s Sparrow – 1 near John Day, 30 Oct (GCBC). 1 at McNary WP, 11 Nov (PBC).

White-crowned Sparrow – 200+ along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD). 30 at Umatilla NWR, 16 Sep (WWe). 20 at McNary WP, 11 Nov (PBC).


White-throated Sparrow – 2 near McNary Dam, 30 Oct (MD & MLD). 3 at McNary WP, 11 Nov (PBC). 1 adult white-striped at a feeder near Morgan L., 3 Nov (TrB), fifth documented UNIO record, photos taken.

Western Meadowlark – Numerous near John Day, 21 Oct (GCBC).


Bullock’s Oriole – Several near John Day, Canyon City & Spray, GRAN, late Aug - mid Sep (GCBC).

Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch – 2 littoralis near Anthony L., BAKE, 21 Sep (MPM & JAM). 300+ along Clark Cr., UNIO, 6 Nov (MD & MLD).


Red Crossbill – 4 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD). 2 at McNary WP, 11 Sep (CC). 1 at a Union feeder, UNIO, 6 Oct (CN).

Pine Siskin – 12 along FR 64 on Bald Mt., UMAT, 10 Sep (MD & MLD).

Lesser Goldfinch – Several near John Day, 6 Nov (GCBC).

Evening Grosbeak – 26 near Morgan L., 3 Sep - end of the period (MRH & TrB).
Southeast Field Notes: Fall 2004
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Abbreviations:

MNWR Malheur National Wildlife Refuge, Harney County
HQ Headquarters

Counties: HARN = Harney; MALH = Malheur.

Frequently cited locations: Burns, HARN; Fields & Fields Oasis, HARN; Hines, HARN; Steens Mtn, HARN.

Wood Duck – 1 was at MNWR on 24 Aug (Don Field).
Gray Partridge – Birds were seen in the Owyhee Res. area, MALH, on 7 Sep (MaR); reported from Buchanan, HARN, on 29 Oct (LHa).
Snowy Egret – 1 was along the Snake River near Adrian, MALH, on 8 Sep (MaR).
Green Heron – 1 was flushed from the big cottonwoods by the parking area at Benson Pond, MNWR, on 11 Sep (CM).

Canada Warbler, 11 September, Malheur Field Station, Harney Co. Photo/J. Matthews.

Bald Eagle – First report of the winter was 1 at Emigrant Creek Ranger District, HARN, on 15 Nov (LHa).
Northern Goshawk – 1, Sixmile Pond, HARN, 5 Sep (DFa); 1 Hines, 30 Nov (LHa).

Red-shouldered Hawk – this species has become regular in southeast Oregon in fall. 1 immature was at the pond at Riley, HARN, on 3 Sep (ALC, DFa); a juvenile was at P Ranch, MNWR, 4 Sep; 1 was at Sod House Ranch, HARN, on 29 Sep (JG).

Merlin – 1, MNWR HQ, 3 Sep (ALC); 1 was at Leslie Gulch, MALH, on 8 Sep (MaR); 1 of the Prairie (Richardson’s) race was at MNWR HQ on 28-29 Sep (JG); 1 was in Hines, 21 Oct (LHa).

Peregrine Falcon – 1 was at the Narrows, MNWR, on 10 Aug (DHZ).

Semipalmated Plover – 2, east of Burns, 11 Aug (CC).

Solitary Sandpiper – 1 was along Central Patrol Rd., MNWR on 11 Aug (CC); 1 was at the Fields Oasis on 12 Aug (DHZ).

Common Tern – 1 was reported from the display pond at MNWR HQ on 18 Sep (PTS).

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE – 1 was reported from Hines, on 4 Aug (LHa).

Burrowing Owl – Reported from the Leslie Gulch area, MALH, on 8 Sep (MaR).

Long-eared Owl – 1-2, Sixmile Pond, HARN, 5 Sep (ALC, DFa).

Common Poorwill – Birds were encountered at Malheur Field Station, HARN, as late as 5 Sep (ALC).

Vaux’s Swift – 2 were flying around Sodhouse Ranch, HARN, on 6 Sep (ALC, DFa).

Black-backed Woodpecker – Reported from the Emigrant Creek Ranger District, HARN, on 10 Nov (LHa).

Western Wood-Pewee – Last report of the season was 1 at Sod House Ranch, HARN, on 29 Sep (JG).

Blue Jay – 2 visited a feeder in Burns, first observed 16 Oct (LHa, RV); at least one stayed through 30 Nov (LHa).

Western Scrub-Jay – A couple continued to be present in Hines, seen through the period (LHa).

Clark’s Nutcracker – “A couple” were at MNWR HQ on 9 Sep, a very unusual location for this montane species (SMI).

Tree Swallow – A large congregation estimated at over 1,000 birds was at Fish L. on Steens Mtn. on 10 Aug.
Bank Swallow – At least 2,000 birds were north of Benson Pond, MNWR, on 11 Aug (CC).

Mountain Chickadee – 2 were at Fields on 9 Sep (SMI).

Red-breasted Nuthatch – A large movement of birds was noted in the first week of September, when they were found in strange habitats including one bird observed on the rocks at the east rim of Steens Mtn. (ALC, DFa). This species was also “everywhere” in the last week of September (JG).

White-breasted Nuthatch – Reported from Owyhee Res., MALH, on 7 Sep (MaR).

Pygmy Nuthatch – 1 was at MNWR HQ on 18-19 Sep (PTS), an unusual location for this species. Even more unusual were 2 birds working the rocks at the east rim of Steens Mtn. on 25 Sep (JMe).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher – 1-2 birds were at MNWR HQ on 12 Sep (CM).

Hermit Thrush – 1 was still in Hines, on 30 Nov (LHa).

Gray Catbird – 1 was at the Fields Oasis on 4 Sep (TR).

Bohemian Waxwing – About 10 birds were at Fields on 10 Nov, the fourth record for that location since 1994 (M).

Nashville Warbler – last report was 2 at MNWR HQ on 28 Sep (JG).

Northern Parula – 1 male was at Page Springs CG, 25-26 Sep (SSh, m. ob.); 1 immature was at MNWR HQ on 27 Sep (JG, SWr).

Chesnut-sided Warbler – 1 was found on 26 Sep north of Burns, in a willow at the south end of the first major draw along Hwy 395 (DEv).

Black-throated Blue Warbler – 2 different female birds were present simultaneously at MNWR HQ and Sod House Ranch, HARN, on 25 Sep; the one at MNWR HQ stayed through 26 Sep (ALC).

Blackburnian Warbler – 1 immature male was at Page Springs CG on 28 Sep (JG, SWr, m. ob.).

Prairie Warbler – 1 immature was found at MNWR HQ on 27 Sep (ALC, SWr).

Palm Warbler – 1 was 5 miles west of Burns, on 16-17 Nov (PBo).

Canadian Warbler – 1 first year bird was found at MNWR HQ on 11 Sep (CM, MM) and was seen by many through 25 Sep.

Yellow-breasted Chat – 1 was at the Fields Oasis on 5 Sep (ALC, DFa).

Summer Tanager – 1 female was found at Fields on 9 Sep (SMI).

Western Tanager – Last report was 2 at MNWR HQ on 29 Sep (JG); last

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APe Alice Petrie

AR Alan Reid

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BaC Barbara Combs

BaM Barbara Massey

BB Betty Bahn

BBC Bend Bird Club

BD Bill Dowdy

BE Bill Evans

BGr Bob Grant

BLo Bob Loeffel

BQ Bob Quaccia

BS Bob Sh iter

BSt Bill Stotz

BSw Bob Swanson

BW Barbara Woodhouse

CaB Carol Brockfield

CBe Craig Bennett

CC Craig Corder

CCa Chris Carey

CD Catherine Dickson

CG Chuck Gates

CH Christine Hodges

ChH Chuck Harker

CKi Charlotte Kisling

BGP Bird Guide Pelagics

CM Craig Miller

CN Cathy Nowak

CP Chuck Philo

CSh Christine Sheridan

CSw Charles Swift

CyB Cynthia Bassett

DA Dennis Arendt

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