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President's Page

Kelly Preheim

Ever since I became passionate about birds, I've wanted others to be interested in birds as well. These last ten years, I have incorporated birds and nature into my kindergarten curriculum. My students become experts on bird identification and bird song recognition by the end of the school year, often being able to identify 300-400 species. The best part is that they become passionate about birds and have greatly improved nature awareness. As they get older, many students join my Chickadee Bird Club that meets weekly. This past year, there were 42 members from grades 1-6. We went birding in town or had lessons in the classroom. We loved being together and talking about birds!

I make sure that each student has a bird field guide of their own and I encourage them to study it at home. For example, if waterfowl migration is about to begin, I ask them to try to learn the waterfowl in their field guide. Then we study it at Bird Club too.

I teach the common birds first by comparing a bird's size to the American Robin, which is a helpful reference point. I also have acquired over 30 pair of good binoculars from kind people and businesses, and I teach them how to use binoculars, so they can observe nature more closely.

No matter the age of the person, I think it is good to teach others how to go birding and be mindful in nature. I encourage them to walk a bit slower and try to be somewhat quiet. I ask students to be careful observers by stopping often and watching for movement, while listening for sounds. I challenge students to notice if a bird is carrying nesting material in its bill or if it is carrying food, etc. They catch on to this quickly and I enjoy hearing their bird reports.

I often incorporate a 5-minute observation time where I ask my young birders to spread out, be perfectly quiet and still while they look and listen to their surroundings. Then we gather to discuss what they observed.

If you take children birding, understand that they will want to investigate birds, but also turtles, frogs and flowers. Perhaps they will want to throw rocks in the water too, but that is perfectly normal and important for them to experience.

As people become increasingly immersed in technology, they are spending much more time indoors. Anything we can do to offset that would be important and getting others out in nature may make a difference in their lives. Exploring varied habitats is interesting and you never know when they will see that "spark bird." In time, they may learn how calming it is to be out in nature. I challenge you to do what you can to get others outdoors. The ripple effects may continue through generations!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SDOU is back to in-person meetings! The 2022 Fall meeting will be September 29 – October 1 in Sioux Falls. There will be paper sessions on current research on South Dakota birds, guest speakers, field trips, and the annual General Membership meeting. See details and register online at sdou.org.

Email will be the primary method of communicating with you in the future. With this in mind, SDOU requests that all members set-up a members account on the sdou.org website and check to ensure that we have an up-to-date email address. If you do not have a computer or an email address, please let us know.

SDOU is very grateful for a donation of more than \$2,800 from the discontinued South Dakota Birding Festival. The annual festival, based out of Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge in Charles Mix County, was last held in 2017 and had some funds left over in its bank account. These funds were donated to SDOU in memory of Marietta Mabie and will be used for a worthwhile bird project.



NOTICE: South Dakota Bird Notes changing to digital-only

Nancy Drilling

At the spring 2022 meeting, the SDOU Board of Directors voted to produce *South Dakota Bird Notes* as a digital-only publication and to discontinue the print version. This change begins with the 2022 Summer issue and thus, the current issue is the last print edition.

Starting with the 2022 Summer issue, we will send the digital version of *Bird Notes* to members via email. Thus we will need a current email address from each member. Please take a moment to verify that we have an up-to-date email address for you in the Login/My Account section of SDOU.org or notify membership@sdoubirds.org or editor@sdoubirds.org.

If you do not have an email address, please let us know so that we can make other arrangements to send *South Dakota Bird Notes* to you.

In addition, members can download and print any issue of *Bird Notes* under the members-only section ('Login' tab) at SDOU.org. In order to access the digital version, you will need to set up a login account at SDOU.org, if you have not already done so.

We remain committed to producing a high quality publication that contributes to SDOU's mission to promote the study of wild birds, to encourage ornithological research, and to preserve the state's avian records. And as always, we will continue to accept your contributions of photos and articles for publication.



Embracing Change

Cheryl Vellenga

Ahh, the sensation of turning a page, whether it be a newspaper, book, or hand-written letter. I love the aroma of a hardbound novel, slipping my fingers behind the upper-right corner of the page of text I'm devouring in anticipation of how the scene will play out. I probably will never change how I snuggle up with a good book or magazine for as long as those are available to us.

In the years I've been a member of SDOU, I've treated the arrival of each issue of *South Dakota Bird*

Notes at my mailbox in this same manner. *Bird Notes* isn't fanciful fiction to become lost in but rather a conduit to people in the wider community of our state with whom I share a common interest. I would carry the booklet into the house with the day's stack of mail, then separate it onto its rightful spot on a living room side table for later perusal. Sometime within the next few evenings, I'd curl up on the chair by the lamp, and read it cover to cover.

To what better source could I, as a birding layperson, turn to find articles about bird research that is being conducted in my own back yard? I am often awed by the expertise and hard labor of people who've made the study of feathery winged creatures their life's work. *Bird Notes* shines a light on these and related projects as well as sharing the observations, lay research and experiences of other birders in South Dakota. It is a repository for rare bird sightings and approvals, seasonal sightings, bird surveys, reports on our latest meetings, and much more. Contributors generously share their experiences as they, like all of us, strive to become better birders. And the editors have had no easy task in writing, recruiting, and curating worthy content for such a targeted readership.

After much consideration, debate and review of the high costs of the printed publication of *Bird Notes* versus the now widely accepted and affordable alternative of an online-only publication, the SDOU Board of Directors is bringing us forward into a new era of how the publication will be distributed. *Bird Notes* of the future will arrive in our inbox instead of our mailbox.

So, what does this change to a digital *Bird Notes* mean for a traditionalist like me? Surprisingly, some very good things! Not only will *Bird Notes*' appeal be enhanced by the availability of more options in photography, fonts, color, layout and content, but text will be searchable and pages can be enlarged for easier reading, which many will find especially useful. Also handy will be the ability to zoom in for better looks at charts and graphs. It might one day come to include clickable links to more information or to related articles. These are exciting upgrades to be sure but I'll also feel wonderful knowing that our bird-loving community is conserving paper and energy while continuing to promote knowledge, discovery and fellowship.

Future *Bird Notes* issues will be kept in a file on my hard drive for easy referral instead of on the stack in my closet and I'll no longer need to remember to pack the latest issue in my travel bag in case I want to read it on the road. It'll be right there on my phone or tablet. I think I'm going to like this!



SDOU 2022 Spring Meeting Report

Kelly Preheim

The 2022 SDOU Spring Meeting was in Belle Fourche, South Dakota on April 29, 30 and May 1. On Friday, April 29 we met at the Branding Iron Steakhouse in Belle Fourche. It was great to be back together in person after two years without meetings due to the pandemic. The evening's presentation was: *Forest Management and Bird Projects in the Northern Black Hills* by Ruben Mares, who works for the Forest Service out of Spearfish.

The SDOU Spring Board of Director's Meeting was held on Saturday afternoon with 19 members present in-person or via Zoom. We had a good discussion and set our Fall meeting to be in Sioux Falls on September 30 - October 2, 2022.

Saturday evening's banquet was very nice as well with great food and conversation. The evening presentation was: *Of Birds and Herds: Grassland Bird Conservation on Working Rangelands in Northwest South Dakota*. The speaker was Jessica Howell of the American Bird Conservancy out of the Buffalo, NRCS office. She talked about the partnerships she is fostering between private landowners and government agencies to improve habitat for Long-billed Curlews and other prairie birds in northwest South Dakota.

On Saturday and Sunday, April 30 and May 1, we had three field trips. Saturday was a cold, windy day, but us hardy birders made the best of it, while Sunday's weather was much better.

Field Trip 1: Butte County with Scott Stolz and Barry Parkin - Early Sunday morning, SDOU members were fortunate to have a nice, long look at the Greater Sage-Grouse lek. There were 16+ grouse and we observed males displaying. Then a coyote loped in and scared them away. Afterwards, Chuck Berdan talked to the group about his experiences doing surveys on Greater Sage-Grouse through the years. Before we left, someone spotted a Long-billed Curlew across the road. Afterwards, we birded around the area and we were thrilled to find a female Thick-billed Longspur, a vocal Sage Thrasher, Chestnut-collared Longspurs and other prairie birds.

Field Trip 2: Northern Black Hills with Todd Jensen – Birders were able to hear the drumming Ruffed Grouse and an American Dipper feeding its young. They also saw other Black Hills birds.

Field Trip 3: Orman Dam and Area Lakes with Nancy Drilling – My group observed 80+ species of birds on Saturday with highlights being Caspian Terns, Black-billed Magpies, Mountain Bluebirds, Loggerhead Shrike, Sharp-tailed Grouse, Willet and Common Loon.

A trip into Sturgis yielded the rare Golden-crowned Sparrow that Nancy Drilling found during the Christmas Bird Count.



As a group we saw 136 species of birds in the Belle Fourche area including northwestern (Harding, Butte, Meade) counties, northern Hills, and nearby prairie lakes (Orman Dam, Bear Butte Lake). You can see the full list on the SDOU web site at <https://sdou.org/SDOU/Past.aspx>

A big thank you to this meeting's organizers, Scott Stolz and Barry Parkin. I also would like to thank our field trip leaders, speakers and all attendees. You all helped to make this a memorable and enjoyable SDOU meeting!



The Second Annual SDOU Collective Big Day 14 May 2022

David Swanson

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the in-person Spring 2021 SDOU meeting was cancelled. *In lieu* of an in-person spring SDOU meeting, SDOU initiated a collective Big Day on 15 May 2021. The event involved individuals or groups birding in an area of their choice in South Dakota, most often, although not exclusively, near their residence, although birding at any location or locations in South Dakota was allowed. The basic rules for the Collective Big Day were that each person or group kept a list of all species observed (seen or heard) during the day, which they submitted to the compiler, David Swanson of Vermillion. The lists also included all locations visited during the 24-hr period, but not separate bird lists for each location visited. Counts of individual bird species observed were also not recorded, only the species list. The inaugural SDOU Collective Big Day resulted in 26 lists submitted and 236 species observed (Swanson 2021 SDBN 73:25-26).

The SDOU Board of Directors voted in Spring 2021 to make the SDOU Collective Big Day an annual

event, loosely associated with Endangered Species Week, which occurs during the second or third week of May. SDOU hosted the second annual SDOU Big Day on 14 May 2022. Birding on the Big Day was allowed for the entire 24-hour period from midnight to midnight on 14 May, or any portion thereof, and the basic rules followed those established for the inaugural Collective Big Day in 2021.

For the second Collective Big Day, I received lists from twenty-nine different individuals or groups, ranging across the state from Harding County in the northwest to Pennington County in the central Black Hills to Roberts and Day counties in the northeast to Union County in the southeastern part of the state. The total species count recorded for the day was 230 species (Table 1), with top list honors going to Jeff Palmer and David Swanson, who conducted a Kingsbury County Big Day and netted 131 species. Rare birds detected on the Big Day included Kentucky Warbler (Richmond Lake State Park, Brown Co.), “Brewster’s” Warbler (hybrid between Golden-winged and Blue-winged warblers, Newton Hills State Park, Lincoln Co.), Cerulean Warbler (Sioux Falls), and Hooded Warbler (Newton Hills State Park, Lincoln Co.).

Table 1. Species list for 2022 SDOU Collective Big Day

Snow Goose	American Woodcock	Say’s Phoebe	Lark Sparrow
Gr. White-fronted Goose	Wilson’s Snipe	Great Crested Flycatcher	Lark Bunting
Canada Goose	Spotted Sandpiper	Western Kingbird	Savannah Sparrow
Wood Duck	Solitary Sandpiper	Eastern Kingbird	Grasshopper Sparrow
Blue-winged Teal	Lesser Yellowlegs	Loggerhead Shrike	Song Sparrow
Northern Shoveler	Willet	Bell’s Vireo	Lincoln’s Sparrow
Gadwall	Greater Yellowlegs	Yellow-throated Vireo	Swamp Sparrow
American Wigeon	Wilson’s Phalarope	Blue-headed Vireo	White-throated Sparrow
Mallard	Red-necked Phalarope	Philadelphia Vireo	Harris’s Sparrow
Northern Pintail	Bonaparte’s Gull	Warbling Vireo	White-crowned Sparrow
Green-winged Teal	Franklin’s Gull	Red-eyed Vireo	Dark-eyed Junco
Canvasback	Ring-billed Gull	Canada Jay	Yellow-breasted Chat
Redhead	Least Tern	Blue Jay	Yellow-headed Blackbird
Ring-necked Duck	Caspian Tern	Black-billed Magpie	Bobolink
Lesser Scaup	Black Tern	American Crow	Western Meadowlark
Bufflehead	Forster’s Tern	Horned Lark	Orchard Oriole
Hooded Merganser	Common Loon	Purple Martin	Bullock’s Oriole
Common Merganser	Double-crested Cormorant	Tree Swallow	Baltimore Oriole
Ruddy Duck	American White Pelican	Violet-green Swallow	Red-winged Blackbird
Ring-necked Pheasant	Great Blue Heron	N. Rough-winged Swallow	Brown-headed Cowbird
Greater Sage-Grouse	Great Egret	Bank Swallow	Rusty Blackbird
Sharp-tailed Grouse	Cattle Egret	Cliff Swallow	Brewer’s Blackbird
Wild Turkey	Green Heron	Barn Swallow	Common Grackle
Pied-billed Grebe	White-faced Ibis	Black-capped Chickadee	Great-tailed Grackle
Eared Grebe	Turkey Vulture	Red-breasted Nuthatch	Ovenbird
Western Grebe	Osprey	White-breasted Nuthatch	Northern Waterthrush
Rock Pigeon	Bald Eagle	Pygmy Nuthatch	Golden-winged Warbler
Eurasian Collared-Dove	Northern Harrier	House Wren	Blue-winged Warbler
Mourning Dove	Sharp-shinned Hawk	Sedge Wren	Black-and-White Warbler
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Cooper’s Hawk	Marsh Wren	Tennessee Warbler
Common Poorwill	Broad-winged Hawk	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	Orange-crowned Warbler
Eastern Whip-poor-will	Swainson’s Hawk	American Dipper	Nashville Warbler
Chimney Swift	Red-tailed Hawk	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Mourning Warbler
White-throated Swift	Ferruginous Hawk	Eastern Bluebird	Kentucky Warbler
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	Golden Eagle	Mountain Bluebird	Common Yellowthroat
Virginia Rail	Eastern Screech-Owl	Townsend’s Solitaire	Hooded Warbler
Sora	Great Horned Owl	Veery	American Redstart
American Coot	Burrowing Owl	Gray-cheeked Thrush	Cape May Warbler
American Avocet	Barred Owl	Swainson’s Thrush	Cerulean Warbler
Black-bellied Plover	Northern Saw-whet Owl	Wood Thrush	Northern Parula
American Golden-Plover	Belted Kingfisher	American Robin	Magnolia Warbler
Semipalmated Plover	Red-headed Woodpecker	Gray Catbird	Yellow Warbler

Piping Plover	Red-bellied Woodpecker	Brown Thrasher	Chestnut-sided Warbler
Killdeer	Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	European Starling	Blackpoll Warbler
Upland Sandpiper	Red-naped Sapsucker	Cedar Waxwing	Palm Warbler
Long-billed Curlew	Downy Woodpecker	House Sparrow	Yellow-rumped Warbler
Hudsonian Godwit	Hairy Woodpecker	House Finch	Blk-throated Green Warbler
Marbled Godwit	Northern Flicker	Red Crossbill	Scarlet Tanager
Stilt Sandpiper	Pileated Woodpecker	Pine Siskin	Western Tanager
Sanderling	American Kestrel	American Goldfinch	Northern Cardinal
Dunlin	Merlin	Chestnut-collared Longspur	Rose-breasted Grosbeak
Baird's Sandpiper	Prairie Falcon	Spotted Towhee	Black-headed Grosbeak
Least Sandpiper	Olive-sided Flycatcher	Eastern Towhee	Blue Grosbeak
White-rumped Sandpiper	Eastern Wood-Pewee	Chipping Sparrow	Lazuli Bunting
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	Willow Flycatcher	Clay-colored Sparrow	Indigo Bunting
Pectoral Sandpiper	Least Flycatcher	Brewer's Sparrow	Dickcissel
Semipalmated Sandpiper	Cordilleran Flycatcher	Field Sparrow	
Long-billed Dowitcher	Eastern Phoebe	Vesper Sparrow	

Despite a strong overall total of 230 species, just six species short of the 236-species total for the inaugural SDOU Collective Big Day, a number of regular species for South Dakota for the middle of May were missed. Some of the western breeding species hadn't arrived yet, which accounted for some of the missed species. In any event, 50 species that I consider to be regular migrants or breeding species (excluding species classified as rare) were missed on the Collective Big Day (Table 2), perhaps providing areas or bird species to target for next year. Let's see if we can beat the records of 29 lists submitted and 236 species observed when we conduct the 2023 SDOU Collective Big Day, tentatively scheduled for 13 May 2023.

Table 2. Regular migrants or breeding species not observed on the 2022 SDOU Collective Big Day.

Trumpeter Swan	Snowy Egret	Canyon Wren
Northern Bobwhite	Black-crowned Night-Heron	Golden-crowned Kinglet
Greater Prairie-Chicken	Barn Owl	Sage Thrasher
Gray Partridge	Long-eared Owl	Sprague's Pipit
Ruffed Grouse	Short-eared Owl	Evening Grosbeak
Horned Grebe	Lewis's Woodpecker	Cassin's Finch
Red-necked Grebe	American Three-toed Woodpecker	Lesser Goldfinch
Black-billed Cuckoo	Black-backed Woodpecker	Baird's Sparrow
Common Nighthawk	Peregrine Falcon	LeConte's Sparrow
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	Western Wood-Pewee	Nelson's Sparrow
Ruddy Turnstone	Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	Eastern Meadowlark
Short-billed Dowitcher	Alder Flycatcher	Virginia's Warbler
California Gull	Dusky Flycatcher	MacGillivray's Warbler
Herring Gull	Plumbeous Vireo	Blackburnian Warbler
Common Tern	Pinyon Jay	Canada Warbler
American Bittern	Clark's Nutcracker	Wilson's Warbler
Least Bittern	Rock Wren	



First December Records for Savannah Sparrow and Baird's Sandpiper and First January Record for Pine Warbler in South Dakota

David Swanson

I was fortunate to observe three bird species classified as accidental during winter in South Dakota (Tallman et al. 2002) during the winter of 2021-2022 in southeastern South Dakota. All three records have



been approved by the Rare Bird Records Committee of the South Dakota Ornithologists' Union. I observed a Savannah Sparrow (*Passerculus sandwichensis*) on 11-12 December 2021 in a grassy/weedy ditch along 459th Avenue in Clay County, about ½-mile south of Highway 50 and approximately 3.5 miles northwest of Vermillion (Fig. 1). According to the South Dakota Ornithologists' Union (SDOU) Bird Observation Database (SDOU 2021), this record represents the first December observation of Savannah Sparrow for South Dakota, although one previous winter record exists for the state, from Lake Andes National Wildlife Refuge on 3 January 2012 (SDOU 2021).

Figure 1 – Savannah Sparrow in Clay County, South Dakota, on 12 December 2021. Photograph by the author.

Tallman et al. (2002) list no winter records of Savannah Sparrow for South Dakota, with the latest fall record of 18 November 2000 in Brookings County. Moreover, no eBird records exist for Savannah Sparrow in South Dakota after mid-November (eBird 2021). The northern boundary of the regular winter range of Savannah Sparrow in the central United States includes Oklahoma, extreme southeastern Kansas and southern Missouri (Wheelright and Rising 2020). In surrounding states, no records of Savannah Sparrow after mid- to late November exist for North Dakota and Wyoming, and the species is very rare in December through February for Minnesota (19 total December and January records, Minnesota Ornithologists' Union 2021), Montana and Iowa (eBird 2021). The species is listed as a rare casual winter visitor in Nebraska, in the south and east, and late December through early March records are increasing there in recent years (Silcock and Jorgensen 2021a).

I observed two Baird's Sandpipers (*Calidris bairdii*) on 14 December 2021 in Yankton County, along the north shore of the Missouri River approximately 400 m east of the outlet of Lake Yankton into the



Missouri River. Greg Pavelka photographed what was presumably one of these birds at the same location on 21 December 2021 (Fig. 2). These observations represent the first winter records for Baird's Sandpiper in South Dakota. The previous late fall date was 20 November 2004 (Swanson 2006).

Figure 2 – Baird's Sandpiper in Yankton County, South Dakota, on 21 December 2021. Photograph by Greg Pavelka.

The winter range of Baird's Sandpiper is typically in central to southern South America, but the species is accidental in winter in North America (Moskoff and Montgomerie 2020). As a side note, I observed a Baird's Sandpiper on the wintering range in a saline lagoon in the Atacama Desert of northern Chile in April of 2009. Nebraska has five winter records of Baird's Sandpiper, spanning from 1-23 December (Silcock and Jorgensen 2020). Late fall dates in Minnesota and Iowa are 25 November and 27 November, respectively (MOU 2021, Iowa Ornithologists' Union 2021). Records from eBird for nearby states in the central United States include observations through the first week of November for Montana and Wyoming, the third week of November for North Dakota, Minnesota, Nebraska, the last week of November for Iowa and Colorado, the first week of December for Kansas, and the second week of December for Oklahoma (eBird 2021).

Finally, I observed a Pine Warbler (*Setophaga pinus*) on 9 and 29 January 2022 near the Horse Camp Area

at Union Grove State Park, Union County, in an area dominated by eastern red cedars, *Juniperus virginiana* (Fig. 3). This observation represents the first January record for Pine Warbler from South Dakota, although two previous December records for this species exist for the state, from Meade and Yankton counties (SDOU 2021). The winter range of the Pine Warbler is primarily in the southeastern United States, with the northern boundary of the typical winter range in the central United States extending from eastern Oklahoma to northern Arkansas (Rodewald et al. 2020). The species is rare but regular in winter north of its typical winter range in the central and northeastern United States (Rodewald et al. 2020).

Figure 3 – Pine Warbler at Union Grove State Park, Union County, South Dakota, on 9 January 2022. Photograph by the author.

Silcock and Jorgensen (2021) list Pine Warbler as a rare casual winter visitor in east and central Nebraska. For states and provinces in north-central North America, no January eBird records of Pine Warbler exist for South Dakota, Nebraska or Manitoba (eBird 2021). Minnesota has eBird records from the first and last weeks of January, North Dakota from the last week of January, Iowa from the first, second and last weeks of January, and Wisconsin from all four weeks in January (eBird 2021). Iowa lists five winter records from 4 December through 10 February, collectively (IOU 2021), and Minnesota lists winter records from five counties, with these records extending as far north as St. Louis County (MOU 2021).



The observations of all three species are consistent with a trend of later fall migration with recent climate warming (van Buskirk et al. 2009, Ellwood et al. 2015, Miller et al. 2015). The observations of Savannah Sparrow and Pine Warbler might represent lingering fall migrants that settle to overwinter north of the typical wintering range as early winter temperatures increase in central North America (Tebaldi et al. 2013), a trend that has been documented previously (La Sorte and Thompson 2007, Niven et al. 2009). Swanson et al. (2020) documented patterns of recent increases in winter occurrence records in South Dakota for three formerly casual to accidental winter species, Hermit Thrush (*Catharus guttatus*), Fox Sparrow (*Passerella iliaca*), and Yellow-rumped Warbler (*Setophaga coronata*). Swanson et al. (2020) suggested that a combination of warming winters and red cedar expansion within the state might be responsible for increasing winter occurrences for these species in the state, as all three species will eat the fleshy cones (i.e., “berries”) of cedars. This explanation might also apply to the Pine Warbler observation, as I found the bird in an area dominated by eastern red cedar and Pine Warblers also regularly consume fruit (Rodewald et al. 2020), so may also consume cedar “berries.”

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The 2021 Fall Season

01 August 2021 to 30 November 2021

Compiled By Chris Anderson

There were 311 species, including 4 rarities (Mute Swan, Mississippi Kite, Hammond's Flycatcher, and White-eyed Vireo) reported to the SDOU online database during the 2021 Fall season. The ten-year (2011-2020) average is 317. Below, I have tried to highlight the more significant sightings (early/late dates as given in the online database or first county records in bold text, or species that are significantly out of range). For early/late migration dates, I have listed the three earliest/latest dates. However, if these did not include a sighting East River, West River, and along the Missouri River, I have included the earliest/latest reported date from the missing region also. Included at the end of this report is a list of species that were not reported this year but might be expected during the Fall Season. A species is placed on the list if it was not reported this year but had been reported during fall in at least 2 of the previous 5 years. Numbers in parentheses indicate the number of consecutive years (up to 4) that the species has appeared on the list during the season. Not reported during the fall season the last 5 years, Cassin's Kingbird was removed from the list. A full listing of all reported sightings can be obtained from the online database (<https://research.dsu.edu/sdousbor/default.aspx>).

- Snow Goose** Early: 01 Aug Brown GO; 10 Oct Fall River JSP; 11 Oct Pennington CLG; 14 Oct Sully KM ... Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 26 Nov Douglas KP; 19 Nov Perkins ND
- Ross's Goose** Early: 21 Oct Potter RDO; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 10 Nov Brown ND ... Late: 18 Nov Charles Mix KP; 13 Nov Douglas KP; 12 Nov Stanley RDO
- Greater White-fronted Goose** Early: 02 Oct Lake JSP; 03 Oct Douglas KP; 11 Oct Brown GO; 12 Oct Stanley RDO; 12 Oct Sully KM ... Late: 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 18 Nov Charles Mix KP
- Cackling Goose** Early: 25 Oct Pennington CLG; 31 Oct Brown GO; 07 Nov Douglas KP; 19 Nov Yankton RND
- Trumpeter Swan** All Reports: 05 Aug Oglala Lakota ND; 23 Aug Perkins ND; **23 Oct Buffalo JSP**; 09 Nov Bennett ND; 19 Nov Meade ND; **27 Nov Clay DS**
- Tundra Swan** All Reports: 05 Nov Hand CA; 10 Nov Brown ND; 18 Nov Meade ND; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 23 Nov Butte ND; 26 Nov Brookings JSP
- Wood Duck** Late: 16 Nov Hughes RDO; 13 Nov Charles Mix KP; 12 Nov Lawrence JSP; 01 Nov Brown GO
- Blue-winged Teal** Late: 13 Nov Douglas KP; 05 Nov Aurora CA; 23 Oct Charles Mix KP; 11 Oct Pennington CLG
- Northern Shoveler** Late: 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 26 Nov Hughes RDO; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 11 Oct Pennington CLG
- Gadwall** Late: 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP
- American Wigeon** Late: 30 Nov Pennington ND; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP
- Northern Pintail** Late: 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 26 Nov Bon Homme RND; 26 Nov Douglas KP; 09 Nov Bennett ND
- Green-winged Teal** Late: 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 26 Nov Bon Homme RND; 26 Nov Stanley RDO; 09 Nov Bennett ND
- Canvasback** Late: 23 Nov Hughes KM; 20 Nov Pennington ND; 10 Nov Butte KM; 10 Nov Brookings ND
- Redhead** Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 28 Nov Stanley RDO; 23 Nov Hughes KM; 22 Nov Pennington CLG; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP
- Ring-necked Duck** Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 20 Nov Hand JSP; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 14 Nov Pennington JSP
- Greater Scaup** Early: 05 Nov Aurora CA; 10 Nov Day ND; 23 Nov Stanley RDO; 28 Nov Stanley RDO

Lesser Scaup Late: 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 26 Nov Hughes RDO; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 20 Nov Pennington ND

Surf Scoter All Reports: 24 Oct Yankton DS; 28 Oct Lake JSP; 20 Nov Yankton DS

White-winged Scoter All Reports: 24 Oct – 26 Nov Yankton RND, DS; 01 Nov Hughes RDO; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 13 Nov Fall River JSP

Black Scoter All Reports: 06 Nov Yankton DS; 20 Nov Lyman JSP; 20 Nov Yankton DS

Long-tailed Duck All Reports: 06 Nov Yankton DS; 24 Nov Yankton DS; 26 Nov Yankton RND

Bufflehead Early: 20 Sept Pennington CLG; 12 Oct Stanley RDO; 12 Oct Sully KM; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP ... Late: 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP

Common Goldeneye Early: 06 Nov Butte ND; 08 Nov Pennington CLG; 08 Nov Hughes KM ... Late: 30 Nov Hughes KM; 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP

Hooded Merganser Early: 01 Aug Day CA; 07 Aug Roberts JSP; 20 Oct Sully KM; 06 Nov Butte ND ... Late: 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP

Common Merganser Early: 02 Aug Pennington CLG; 04 Sept Stanley RDO; 03 Nov Fall River ND

Red-breasted Merganser All Reports: 12 Nov Butte DS; 20 Nov Lyman JSP

Ruddy Duck Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 26 Nov Brookings JSP; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 23 Sept Pennington JLB

Northern Bobwhite All Reports: 04 Aug Gregory KP; 12 Aug Charles Mix KP

Gray Partridge All Reports: 01 Sept Harding KM; 17 Sept Custer MMM; 06 Nov Meade ND; 19 Nov Perkins ND

Ruffed Grouse All Reports: 11 Sept Lawrence EK; 13 Nov Custer JSP

Greater Prairie Chicken All Reports: 24 Sept Jones KM; 17 Oct Sully KM; 10 Nov Haakon KM

Pied-billed Grebe Late: 20 Nov Pennington ND; 10 Nov Brookings ND; 10 Nov Meade KM; 06 Nov Yankton GJS

Horned Grebe Early: 08 Aug Charles Mix KP; 17 Oct Brookings JSP; 21 Oct Potter, Sully RDO ... Late: 16 Nov Yankton RND; 06 Nov Yankton DS

Red-necked Grebe All Reports: 14 Oct Sully KM, RDO; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 08 Nov Sully RDO

Eared Grebe Late: 28 Nov Brookings JSP; 20 Nov Pennington ND; 03 Nov Fall River ND; 21 Oct Potter RDO

Western Grebe Late: 23 Nov Butte ND; 20 Nov Lyman JSP; 20 Nov Yankton DS; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP

Clark's Grebe Late: 01 Nov Sully RDO; 24 Oct Stanley RDO; 23 Oct Hughes RDO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP

White-winged Dove All Reports: 07 Aug Clay GJS; 04 Sept Stanley RDO

Mourning Dove Confirmed Breeding: 02 Aug Fall River (NE) ND; 15 Aug Sully (NE) KM. Late: 30 Nov Hughes KM; 07 Nov Charles Mix KP; 02 Nov Brown GO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP

Yellow-billed Cuckoo Late: 28 Aug Hughes KM; 05 Aug Gregory KP

Black-billed Cuckoo Only Report: 09 Aug Stanley RDO

Common Nighthawk Late: 07 Oct Charles Mix KP; 05 Oct Lake JSP; 26 Sept Douglas KP; 05 Sept Fall River JSP

Common Poorwill All Reports: 08 Aug Sully KP; 15 Aug Custer MMM; 29 Aug Harding KM

Eastern Whip-poor-will All Reports: 13 Aug Lincoln CA, ND

Chimney Swift Late: 16 Sept Douglas KP; 11 Sept Lake JSP; 09 Sept Yankton KP; 30 Aug Pennington CLG

White-throated Swift All Reports: 21 Aug Custer DB; 04 Sept Custer JSP

Ruby-throated Hummingbird Early West River: 01 Aug Pennington ND ... Late: 26 Sept Lake JSP; 25 Sept Clay GJS; 19 Sept Stanley RDO; 22 Aug Pennington ND

Broad-tailed Hummingbird All Reports: 04 Aug Pennington ND; 12 Aug Pennington RDO; 04 Sept Lawrence JSP

Rufous Hummingbird All Reports: 02 Aug Pennington ND; 12 Aug Pennington RDO

Calliope Hummingbird Only Report: 06 Aug Pennington ND

Virginia Rail Late: 10 Oct Fall River JSP; 30 Sept Hughes KM; 11 Sept Lake JSP

Sora Late: 22 Oct Hughes KM; 04 Oct Pennington CLG; 19 Sept Lincoln CA

Common Gallinule All Reports: 01 Aug Day CA; 24 Aug Day KM
American Coot Late: 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 26 Nov Brookings JSP
Sandhill Crane Early: 25 Sept Pennington JSS; 14 Oct Sully KM; 15 Oct Lawrence VDF ... Late: 01 Nov Stanley RDO; 21 Oct Potter RDO; 21 Oct Sully RDO
Whooping Crane All Reports: 06 – 22 Aug Sully ND, KM, RDO
Black-necked Stilt Late: 24 Aug Day KM; 15 Aug Minnehaha CA; 12 Aug Sully ND
American Avocet Late: 02 Oct Lake JSP; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 08 Sept Kingsbury KM; 19 Aug Hughes KM; 12 Aug Jackson ND
Black-bellied Plover All Reports: 12 Aug Sully ND; 15 Aug Sully KM; 12 Sept Sully RDO; 05 Oct Bon Homme RND
American Golden-Plover All Reports: 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 17 Oct Charles Mix KP
Semipalmated Plover Late: 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 22 Aug Sully KM
Piping Plover Late: 19 Aug Hughes KM; 14 Aug Sully KM; 13 Aug Clay GJS
Killdeer Late: 07 Nov Douglas KP; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 05 Nov Aurora CA; 23 Sept Pennington JLB
Upland Sandpiper Late: 12 Aug Pennington ND; 11 Aug Hughes KM; 09 Aug Custer MMM; 01 Aug Kingsbury CA
Long-billed Curlew All Reports: 01 Aug Custer MMM; 03 Aug Butte ND; 09 Aug Hughes KM; 23 Aug Butte ND
Marbled Godwit All Reports: 03 Aug Butte ND; 03 Aug Sully RDO; 11 Aug Hughes KM; 12 Aug Jackson ND
Red Knot All Reports: **07-10 Sept Brookings KM, CV**
Stilt Sandpiper Late: 16 Oct Clay DS; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 11 Oct Douglas KP; 21 Aug Meade ND
Sanderling Late: 05 Nov Lyman CA; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 09 Oct Sully RDO; 26 Sept Butte EK
Dunlin All Reports: 05 Sept Douglas KP; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 23 Oct Hutchinson KP
Baird's Sandpiper Late: 18 Sept Douglas KP; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 12 Sept Sully RDO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP
Least Sandpiper Late: 23 Oct Davison KP; 19 Oct Minnehaha CA; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 11 Sept Charles Mix KP; 05 Sept Fall River JSP
White-rumped Sandpiper All Reports: 10 Sept Hamlin CV; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA
Buff-breasted Sandpiper All Reports: 06 Aug Sully KM, RDO; 08 Aug Charles Mix KP; 09-11 Aug Hughes KM; 12 Aug Sully ND; 19 Aug Hughes KM
Pectoral Sandpiper Late: 23 Oct Hutchinson KP; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 05 Oct Bon Homme RND; 05 Sept Fall River JSP
Semipalmated Sandpiper Late: 23 Oct Hutchinson KP; 18 Sept Douglas KP; 12 Sept Sully RDO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP
Short-billed Dowitcher All Reports: 15 Aug Minnehaha CA; 24 Aug Minnehaha RND
Long-billed Dowitcher Late: 23 Oct Hutchinson KP; 21 Oct Potter, Sully RDO; 23 Sept Pennington JLB
Wilson's Snipe Late: 23 Oct Davison KP; 17 Oct Minnehaha CA; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 06 Oct Hughes KM; 05 Sept Fall River JSP
Wilson's Phalarope Late: 11 Sept Lake JSP; 28 Aug Kingsbury JSP; 24 Aug Minnehaha RND; 12 Aug Pennington ND
Red-necked Phalarope All Early: 01 Aug Kingsbury CA; 03 Aug Butte ND; 03 Aug Sully RDO ... Late: **16 Oct Kingsbury JSP**; 02 Oct Lake JSP; 08 Sept Hamlin KM
Spotted Sandpiper Late: 03 Oct Charles Mix KP; 27 Sept Pennington CLG; 21 Sept Brookings CV
Solitary Sandpiper Late: 25 Sept Lake JSP; 10 Sept Brookings CV; 07 Sept Brown GO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 27 Aug Yankton RND
Greater Yellowlegs Late: 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 05 Nov Aurora, Hand CA; 23 Oct Buffalo JSP; 23 Sept Pennington JLB
Willet All Reports: 01 Aug Day CA; 05 Aug Bennett ND; 09 Aug Hughes KM

Lesser Yellowlegs Late: 23 Oct Clay DS; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 10 Oct Lyman RDO; 01 Oct Brown GO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP

Bonaparte's Gull Early: 11 Sept Brookings CA; 10 Oct Lyman RDO; 12 Oct Stanley RDO ... Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 25 Nov Stanley RDO; 23 Nov Hughes KM; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 03 Nov Fall River ND

Franklin's Gull Late: 13 Nov Union GJS; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 24 Oct Lyman RDO; 05 Sept Fall River JSP

Ring-billed Gull Late: 29 Nov Stanley KM; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 27 Nov Hughes KM; 27 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 23 Nov Butte ND

California Gull Late: 25 Nov Stanley RDO; 05 Nov Hughes CA; 03 Nov Fall River ND

Herring Gull Early: 17 Aug Yankton DS; 12 Sept Sully RDO; 13 Oct Stanley RDO; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP ... Late: 27 Nov Hughes KM; 26 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 25 Nov Stanley RDO; 23 Nov Butte ND

Iceland Gull All Reports: 17-20 Nov Yankton RND, DS; 24 Oct Hughes RDO; 03 Nov Hughes KM; 18 Nov Hughes RDO

Lesser Black-backed Gull Early: 12 Sept Hughes RDO; 17 Oct Sully RDO; 19 Oct Stanley RDO ... Late: 26 Nov Hughes RDO; 20 Nov Stanley RDO; 16 Nov Yankton RND

Least Tern Late: 21 Aug Clay GJS; 14 Aug Sully KM; 09 Aug Hughes KM

Caspian Tern Late: 11 Sept Lake JSP; 04 Sept Butte EK; 26 Aug Day KM; 13 Aug Sully KM

Black Tern Late: 30 Aug Brown GO; 29 Aug Hutchinson KP; 28 Aug Kingsbury JSP; 22 Aug Sully KM; 05 Aug Bennett ND

Common Tern Only Report: 28 Aug Kingsbury JSP

Forster's Tern Late: 16 Sept Stanley RDO; 15 Sept Brown GO; 11 Sept Charles Mix KP; 05 Sept Fall River JSP

Pacific Loon All Reports: 25 Oct Sully RDO; 27 Oct Hughes RDO; 13 Nov Fall River DS

Common Loon Early: 26 Sept Hughes RDO; 09 Oct Sully RDO; 21 Oct Potter RDO; 03 Nov Fall River ND ... Late: 26 Nov Brookings JSP; 20 Nov Buffalo JSP; 20 Nov Yankton DS; 10 Nov Meade KM

Neotropic Cormorant All Reports: 03-22 Sully ND, KM, RDO; **03 Aug Edmunds RDO (first county record)**

Double-crested Cormorant Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 23 Nov Butte ND; 23 Nov Hughes KM; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP

American White Pelican Late: 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 20 Nov Hutchinson KP; 17 Nov Yankton RND; 06 Nov Butte ND

American Bittern All Reports: 05 Aug Oglala Lakota ND; 01 Oct Brown GO; 03 Oct Charles Mix KP; 06 Nov Day GO

Least Bittern All Reports: 01 Aug Day CA; 03 Aug Edmunds RDO

Great Blue Heron Late: 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 06 Nov Day GO; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 17 Oct Yankton RND

Great Egret Late: 17 Oct Minnehaha CA; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 02 Oct Brookings JSP; 17 Sept Lyman RDO

Snowy Egret Late: 18 Sept Day JSP; 11 Sept Lake JSP; 10 Sept Brookings KM; 03 Aug Potter RDO

Cattle Egret Late: 25 Sept Charles Mix KP; 21 Aug Douglas KP

Green Heron Late: 20 Sept Minnehaha CA; 10 Sept Hamlin CV; 08 Sept Brookings KM; 23 Aug Yankton RND

Black-crowned Night-Heron Late: 14 Oct Minnehaha MMM; 05 Sept Douglas KP; 19 Aug Brown RDO; 03 Aug Potter RDO

White-faced Ibis Late: 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 10 Oct Lyman RDO; 03 Oct Charles Mix KP

Turkey Vulture Late: 12 Oct Clay GJS; 12 Oct Lake JSP; 09 Oct Stanley RDO; 04 Oct Pennington CLG

Osprey Confirmed Breeding: 06 Aug Pennington (NY) CLG. Late: 25 Oct Hughes KM; 19 Oct Brookings CV; 16 Oct Yankton DS; 20 Sept Pennington CLG

Golden Eagle Early: 23 Oct Buffalo JSP; 09 Nov Stanley RDO

Sharp-shinned Hawk Early: 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 10 Sept Clay GJS; 11 Sept Lake CA

Northern Goshawk Only Report: 03 Aug Sully RDO

Red-shouldered Hawk Only Report: 06 Sept Lincoln CA

Broad-winged Hawk Early: 20 Aug Roberts CV; 26 Aug Day KM; 08 Sept Brookings KM ... Late: 05 Oct Yankton RND; 30 Sept Clay GJS; 27 Sept Hughes KM; 21 Sept Brookings CV

Swainson's Hawk Late: 01 Oct Brown GO; 18 Sept Roberts JSP; 11 Sept Lake JSP; 01 Sept Pennington MMM; 03 Aug Potter RDO

Rough-legged Hawk Early: 23 Oct Buffalo JSP; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 01 Nov Sully KM; 03 Nov Fall River ND

Ferruginous Hawk Late: 30 Nov Custer MMM; 29 Nov Pennington MMM; 28 Nov Butte ND

Burrowing Owl Late: 07 Oct Jones KM; 01 Oct Custer MMM; 25 Aug Ziebach RDO

Barred Owl All Reports: 13 Aug Lincoln CA, ND

Long-eared Owl Only Report: 14 Nov Sully KM; 23 Nov Union DS

Northern Saw-whet Owl All Reports: 09-28 Stanley KM; 15 Nov Hughes KM

Belted Kingfisher Late: 29 Nov Pennington CLG; 16 Nov Hughes KM; 12 Nov Lawrence JSP; 23 Oct Douglas KP

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker Late: 28 Sept Hughes KM; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 20 Aug Marshall CV

Red-naped Sapsucker All Reports: 04 Sept Custer JSP; 22 Sept Lawrence VDF

Lewis's Woodpecker Only Report: 21 Aug Custer DB

Red-headed Woodpecker Late: 25 Sept Clay GJS; 25 Sept Kingsbury JSP; 18 Sept Douglas KP; 04 Sept Custer JSP

Red-bellied Woodpecker West River: 09 Sept Lawrence VDF; 12 Nov Lawrence JSP

American Three-toed Woodpecker All Reports: 11 Oct Custer JSP; 22 Sept Lawrence VDF

Black-backed Woodpecker All Reports: 03 Sept Pennington JSP; 21 Sept Lawrence KM; 21 Nov Pennington ND

Merlin Early: 20 Aug Roberts CV; 29 Aug Lincoln CA; 09 Sept Yankton KP

Gyrfalcon Only Report: 25 Nov Harding ND

Peregrine Falcon Early: 11 Aug Fall River ND; 24 Aug Minnehaha CA ... Late: 30 Oct Minnehaha CA; 02 Oct Lake JSP; 14 Sept Hughes KM

Prairie Falcon Early: 22 Aug Sully KM; 18 Sept Charles Mix KP; 07 Oct Jones KM

Olive-sided Flycatcher Early: 03 Aug Codington KM; 10 Aug Hughes KM; 14 Aug Stanley RDO; 17 Aug Custer DB ... Late: 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 04 Sept Minnehaha CA; 04 Sept Union GJS

Western Wood-Pewee Late: 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 30 Aug Pennington CLG; 21 Aug Custer DB

Eastern Wood-Pewee Late: 25 Sept Gregory KP; 10 Sept Brookings JSP; 09 Sept Lincoln CA

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher Only Report: 29 Sept Hughes GFP

Willow Flycatcher All Reports: 08 Aug Charles Mix KP; 18 Aug Stanley RDO; 04 Sept Charles Mix KP

Least Flycatcher Late: 10 Sept Brookings CV; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 04 Sept Hughes KM

Cordilleran Flycatcher Only Report: 10 Sept Lawrence VDF

Eastern Phoebe Late: 02 Oct Brookings JSP; 17 Sept Clay GJS; 05 Sept Sully RDO

Say's Phoebe Late: 15 Sept Jackson KM; 06 Sept Custer JSP; 01 Sept Harding KM

Great Crested Flycatcher Late: 11 Sept Charles Mix KP; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 05 Sept Hughes KM; 05 Aug Oglala Lakota ND

Western Kingbird Late: 04 Sept Lawrence JSP; 02 Sept Hughes KM; 22 Aug Minnehaha CA

Eastern Kingbird Late: 24 Sept Yankton RND; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 12 Sept Hughes KM; 11 Sept Pennington MMM

Bell's Vireo Late: 06 Sept Sully KM; 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 05 Sept Hughes KM

Yellow-throated Vireo Late: 12 Sept Roberts CV; 11 Sept Charles Mix KP; 06 Sept Lincoln CA

Blue-headed Vireo Early: 25 Aug Day KM; 27 Aug Stanley RDO; 28 Aug Hughes KM ... Late: 07 Oct Clay GJS; 25 Sept Union DS; 14 Sept Hughes KM; 10 Sept Brookings KM

Plumbeous Vireo All Reports: 21 Aug Custer DB; 06 Sept Custer JSP; 09 Sept Lawrence VDF

Philadelphia Vireo Early: 21 Aug Douglas KP; 26 Aug Yankton KP; 27 Aug Union DS ... Late: 13 Sept Hughes KM; 12 Sept Roberts CV; 09 Sept Brookings KM

Warbling Vireo Late: 01 Oct Clay GJS; 18 Sept Roberts JSP; 14 Sept Hughes KM; 18 Aug Lawrence ND

Red-eyed Vireo Late: 19 Sept Douglas KP; 14 Sept Hughes KM; 14 Sept Stanley RDO; 30 Aug Pennington CLG

Loggerhead Shrike All Reports: 19 Aug Hughes KM; 20 Aug Fall River ND; 03 Sept Brown GO; 04 Sept Butte EK; 11 Sept Custer MMM

Northern Shrike Early: 21 Oct Hughes KM; 21 Oct Sully RDO; 01 Nov Clay DS; 03 Nov Fall River ND

Canada Jay All Reports: 17-21 Aug Custer DB; 26 Aug Pennington MMM; 14 Nov Pennington JSP; 23 Nov Lawrence ND

Pinyon Jay All Reports: 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 10 Oct Fall River JSP

Clark's Nutcracker All Reports: 12 Aug Pennington MMM; 17 Aug Custer DB; 04 Sept Custer JSP; 11 Oct Custer JSP

Black-billed Magpie reported 17 Oct Sully KM; 09 Nov Tripp RDO

Northern Rough-winged Swallow Late: 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 21 Aug Day RDO; 13 Aug Minnehaha ND; 09 Aug Pennington CLG; 05 Aug Gregory KP

Purple Martin Late: 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 31 Aug Douglas KP; 28 Aug Lake JSP

Tree Swallow Confirmed Breeding: Late: 07 Aug Roberts (NY) JP. 25 Sept Charles Mix KP; 19 Sept Douglas KP; 18 Sept Day JSP; 16 Aug Pennington CLG

Violet-green Swallow All Reports: 09 Aug Pennington CLG; 20 Aug Lawrence VDF; 21 Aug Custer DB; 23 Aug Pennington CLG

Bank Swallow Late: 25 Sept Clay DS; 08 Sept Kingsbury KM; 21 Aug Day RDO; 05 Aug Bennett ND

Barn Swallow Confirmed Breeding: 09 Aug Pennington (ON) CLG. Late: 07 Oct Clay RND; 03 Oct Lincoln CA; 01 Oct Brown RDO; 06 Sept Pennington CLG

Cliff Swallow Late: 09 Sept Brookings KM; 28 Aug Kingsbury JSP; 23 Aug Harding ND; 03 Aug Gregory KP

Golden-crowned Kinglet Early: 13 Oct Hughes KM; 26 Oct Stanley KM; 31 Oct Lincoln CA

Ruby-crowned Kinglet Early: 26 Aug Clay GJS; 09 Sept Brookings KM; 11 Sept Hughes KM ... Late: 04 Nov Clay DS; 28 Oct Lake JSP; 27 Oct Sully RDO; 10 Oct Fall River JSP

Red-breasted Nuthatch Early: 01 Aug Brown GO; 20 Aug Hughes KM; 24 Aug Minnehaha CA

Pygmy Nuthatch All Reports: 17 Aug Custer DB; 20 Aug Pennington ND; 07 Nov Pennington JLB; 18 Nov Pennington ND

Brown Creeper Early: 25 Sept Lake JSP; 07 Oct Clay GJS; 15 Oct Hughes KM

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher Late: 15 Sept Jackson KM; 11 Sept Lake JSP; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 04 Sept Charles Mix KP

Rock Wren All Reports: 31 Aug – 01 Sept Harding KM; 15 Sept Jackson KM; 02 Oct Meade MMM; 02 Oct Pennington KM

Canyon Wren All Reports: 03 Sept Pennington JSP; 10 Oct Fall River JSP; 03 Nov Fall River ND

House Wren Late: 10 Oct Hughes KM; 09 Oct Lawrence JSP; 07 Oct Charles Mix KP; 03 Oct Lincoln CA

Winter Wren All Reports: 12 Sept Sully RDO; 09-10 Oct Hughes KM; 25 Oct Hughes KM; 03 Nov Hughes KM

Sedge Wren Late: 22 Oct Hughes KM; 03 Oct Charles Mix KP; 03 Oct Lincoln CA

Marsh Wren Late: 23 Nov Hughes KM; 09 Oct Douglas KP; 03 Oct Lincoln CA

Carolina Wren All Reports: 21 Aug Lincoln JSP; 03 Oct Lincoln CA

American Dipper All Reports: 12 Aug Lawrence RDO; 23 Nov Lawrence ND

Gray Catbird Late: 31 Oct Hughes KM; 27 Oct Stanley RDO; 25 Sept Clay GJS; 21 Sept Brookings CV; 20 Sept Pennington CLG

Brown Thrasher Late: 02 Oct Lake JSP; 30 Sept Hughes KM; 27 Sept Stanley RDO; 15 Sept Jackson KM

Eastern Bluebird Late: 09 Nov Jackson ND; 07 Nov Brown GO; 03 Nov Fall River ND; 30 Oct Yankton RND

Mountain Bluebird All Reports: 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 22 Sept Pennington KM; 24 Sept Lawrence VDF; 09 Nov Jackson ND

Townsend's Solitaire Early: 28 Sept Hughes KM; 01 Nov Sully KM; 09 Nov Stanley KM; 15 Nov Brown GO

Veery All Reports: 20 Aug Marshall CV; 02 Sept Hughes KM; 11 Sept Stanley RDO

Swainson's Thrush Early: 28 Aug Hughes KM; 28 Aug Stanley RDO; 30 Aug Lake JSP ... Late: 04 Oct Hughes GFP; 29 Sept Clay GJS; 25 Sept Union DS; 07 Sept Brown GO

Hermit Thrush All Reports: 30 Sept Hughes KM, RDO

Wood Thrush All Reports: 13 Aug Lincoln CA, ND; 21 Aug Lincoln JSP; 05 Sept Lincoln CA; 16 Sept Stanley RDO

Bohemian Waxwing Early: 04 Nov Sully RDO; 06 Nov Lake JSP; 14 Nov Stanley RDO; 19 Nov Perkins ND

American Pipit All Reports: 23 Oct Buffalo JSP; 23 Oct Charles Mix KP; 30 Oct Yankton RND; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 11 Nov Aurora JSP

Sprague's Pipit All Reports: 24 Sept Jones KM; 06-07 Oct Jones KM

Evening Grosbeak All Reports: 30 Oct Lawrence VDF; 22-29 Nov Roberts CV

Gray-crowned Rosy-Finch Only Report: 25 Nov Harding ND

Purple Finch Early: 22 Sept Lawrence VDF; 30 Oct Hughes KM; 01 Nov Roberts CV

Common Redpoll Early: 28 Oct Hughes KM; 09 Nov Stanley KM; 10 Nov Brookings ND; 12 Nov Butte JSP

White-winged Crossbill All Reports: 10 Nov Brookings ND; 19 Nov Perkins ND; 22 Nov Hughes RDO; 23 Nov Union DS (first county record)

Pine Siskin Early: 11 Sept Hughes KM; 14 Oct Roberts CV; 18 Oct Lake JSP

Lesser Goldfinch Only Report: 05 Sept Fall River JSP

Lapland Longspur All Reports: 05 Nov Hand CA; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 09 Nov Lyman, Tripp RDO; 13 Nov Charles Mix KP

Chestnut-collared Longspur Late: 07 Oct Jones KM; 03 Oct Custer MMM; 23 Aug Butte ND

Snow Bunting Early: 05 Nov Aurora CA; 06 Nov Sully RDO; 10 Nov Hamlin ND; 19 Nov Perkins ND

Grasshopper Sparrow All Reports: 01 Aug Clay GJS; 02 Aug Fall River ND; 04 Aug Gregory KP; 08 Aug Charles Mix KP; 15 Aug Fall River ND

Chipping Sparrow Late: 25 Oct Hughes KM; 22 Oct Clay GJS; 21 Oct Potter RDO; 16 Oct Douglas KP; 16 Sept Lawrence VDF

Clay-colored Sparrow Late: 09 Oct Hughes KM; 03 Oct Douglas KP; 03 Oct Charles Mix KP; 24 Sept Jones KM

Field Sparrow Late: 10 Oct Hughes KM; 05 Oct Yankton RND; 03 Oct Lincoln CA; 15 Sept Jackson KM

Brewer's Sparrow Only Report: 20 Sept Lawrence VDF

Lark Sparrow Late: 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 01 Sept Harding KM; 28 Aug Kingsbury JSP; 26 Aug Yankton KP

Lark Bunting Late: 23 Aug Pennington MMM; 23 Aug Perkins ND; 19 Aug Hughes KM

American Tree Sparrow Early: 06 Oct Hughes KM; 09 Oct Custer MMM; 09 Oct Lawrence JSP; 16 Oct Douglas KP

Fox Sparrow Early: 27 Sept Brown GO; 30 Sept Hughes RDO; 13 Oct Lawrence VDF ... Late: 24 Nov Yankton DS; 20 Nov Roberts CV; 10 Nov Brookings ND

Dark-eyed Junco Early: 11 Sept Hughes KM; 14 Sept Brown GO; 20 Sept Stanley RDO

White-crowned Sparrow Early: 04 Sept Custer JSP; 11 Sept Pennington MMM; 18 Sept Charles Mix KP; 21 Sept Douglas KP ... Late: 18 Nov Charles Mix RND; 31 Oct Lawrence VDF; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP

Harris's Sparrow Early: 14 Sept Brown GO; 23 Sept Lake JSP; 27 Sept Hughes KM; 29 Sept Jones RDO ... Late: 07 Nov Charles Mix KP; 04 Nov Hughes GFP; 01 Nov Brown GO; 16 Oct Lawrence VDF

White-throated Sparrow Early: 05 Sept Douglas KP; 05 Sept Hughes KM; 06 Sept Sully KM; 10 Sept Lawrence VDF ... Late: 06 Nov Hughes GFP; 27 Oct Lawrence VDF; 26 Oct Sully KM; 16 Oct Lake JSP

Vesper Sparrow Late: 17 Oct Charles Mix KP; 14 Oct Sully KM; 11 Oct Douglas KP; 11 Oct Lyman JSP; 07 Oct Lawrence VDF

LeConte's Sparrow Early: 14 Sept Charles Mix KP; 23 Sept Hughes KM ... Late: 06 Nov Clay DS; 09 Oct Hughes KM; 03 Oct Lincoln CA

Nelson's Sparrow All Reports: 03 Aug Sully RDO; 26 Sept – 06 Oct Hughes KM, RDO; 22 Oct Clay GJS

Savannah Sparrow Late: 23 Oct Buffalo JSP; 23 Oct Charles Mix KP; 17 Oct Sully KM; 16 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 07 Oct Jones KM

Song Sparrow Late: 30 Nov Hughes KM; 18 Nov Charles Mix RND; 24 Oct Sully KM; 23 Oct Douglas KP; 18 Oct Pennington CLG

Lincoln's Sparrow Early: 04 Sept Custer JSP; 04 Sept Hughes KM; 07 Sept Douglas KP ... Late: 23 Oct Charles Mix KP; 22 Oct Clay GJS; 13 Oct Hughes KM; 11 Oct Douglas KP; 10 Oct Fall River JSP

Swamp Sparrow Late: 27 Oct Hughes KM; 17 Oct Minnehaha CA; 17 Oct Lake JSP; 05 Aug Bennett ND

Spotted Towhee Late: 25 Oct Hughes KM; 15 Oct Lawrence VDF; 12 Oct Sully KM; 03 Oct Lincoln CA

Eastern Towhee Late: 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 21 Aug Union DS; 13 Aug Clay GJS

Yellow-breasted Chat Late: 05 Sept Fall River JSP; 05 Sept Hughes KM; 16 Aug Custer MMM

Yellow-headed Blackbird Late: 26 Nov Bon Homme RND; 13 Nov Charles Mix KP; 07 Oct Butte VDF; 02 Oct Douglas KP

Bobolink All Reports: 10 Aug Turner KP; 12 Aug Sully ND; 20 Aug Douglas KP; 28 Aug Kingsbury JSP

Western Meadowlark Late: 18 Nov Charles Mix RND; 05 Nov Buffalo CA; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP; 10 Oct Fall River JSP

Orchard Oriole Late: 11 Sept Hughes KM; 04 Sept Charles Mix KP; 23 Aug Clay GJS; 20 Aug Douglas KP; 16 Aug Custer MMM

Bullock's Oriole Only Report: 06 Sept Lawrence VDF

Baltimore Oriole Late: 11 Sept Charles Mix KP; 11 Sept Hughes KM; 10 Sept Stanley RDO; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 04 Sept Lawrence JSP

Red-winged Blackbird Late: 30 Nov Hughes KM; 28 Nov Charles Mix KP; 26 Nov Bon Homme RND; 26 Nov Brookings JSP; 19 Nov Perkins ND

Brown-headed Cowbird Late: 26 Nov Bon Homme RND; 13 Nov Charles Mix KP; 17 Oct Douglas KP; 15 Aug Fall River ND

Rusty Blackbird Early: 17 Oct Brown GO; 21 Oct Potter RDO; 28 Oct Kingsbury JSP ... Late: 20 Nov Yankton DS; 13 Nov Charles Mix KP; 07 Nov Douglas KP

Brewer's Blackbird Late: 13 Nov Charles Mix KP; 07 Nov Douglas KP; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP; 11 Oct Custer JSP

Common Grackle Late: 26 Nov Bon Homme RND; 22 Nov Pennington CLG; 21 Nov Hughes KM; 06 Nov Kingsbury JSP

Ovenbird Late: 23 Sept Hughes GFP; 09 Sept Brookings KM; 06 Sept Custer JSP

Northern Waterthrush Early: 26 Aug Day KM; 29 Aug Marshall CV ... Late: 14 Sept Hughes KM

Golden-winged Warbler Only Report: 27 Aug Union DS

Black-and-white Warbler Early: 05 Aug Bennett ND; 16 Aug Hughes KM; 22 Aug Lake JSP ... Late: 19 Sept Lincoln CA; 17 Sept Clay GJS; 17 Sept Lake JSP; 01 Sept Lawrence VDF

Tennessee Warbler Early: 20 Aug Roberts CV; 21 Aug Union DS; 25 Aug Day KM ... Late: 20 Sept Stanley RDO; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 13 Sept Hughes KM

Orange-crowned Warbler Early: 22 Aug Lake JSP; 26 Aug Yankton KP; 02 Sept Hughes KM; 06 Sept Custer JSP ... Late: 31 Oct Hughes KM; 14 Oct Lawrence VDF; 11 Oct Pennington CLG; 02 Oct Brookings JSP

Nashville Warbler Early: 25 Aug Day KM; 26 Aug Stanley RDO; 26 Aug Yankton KP ... Late: 13 Oct Hughes KM; 09 Oct Stanley RDO; 05 Oct Yankton RND; 02 Oct Lake JSP

MacGillivray's Warbler Only Report: 04 Sept Custer JSP

Mourning Warbler All Reports: 26 Aug Day KM; 29 Aug Lincoln CA; 04-05 Sept Hughes KM
Common Yellowthroat Late: 09 Oct Stanley RDO; 08 Oct Hughes KM; 03 Oct Charles Mix KP; 27 Sept Pennington CLG; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA
American Redstart Late: 12 Oct Hughes GFP; 18 Sept Charles Mix KP; 14 Sept Stanley RDO; 09 Sept Brookings KM; 03 Sept Pennington JSP
Northern Parula All Reports: 22 Aug Roberts CV; 27 Aug Day KM; 28 Aug Union DS; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 07 Sept Brookings KM
Magnolia Warbler All Reports: 25 Aug Day KM; 29 Aug Marshall CV; 05-06 Sept Lincoln CA
Bay-breasted Warbler All Reports: 26 Aug Day KM; 26-27 Aug Union DS; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 08 Sept Brookings KM; 13 Sept Hughes KM
Blackburnian Warbler All Reports: 26-27 Aug Day KM; 26-28 Aug Union DS; 28 Aug Lake JSP
Yellow Warbler Late: 05 Oct Yankton RND; 30 Sept Stanley RDO; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 06 Sept Pennington CLG
Chestnut-sided Warbler All Reports: 26-28 Aug Union DS; 28 Aug – 05 Sept Hughes KM; 05 Sept Lincoln CA; 11 Sept Lake JSP; 13 Sept Hughes KM; 14 Sept Stanley RDO
Blackpoll Warbler All Reports: 27 Aug Day KM; 12 Sept Hughes KM
Black-throated Blue Warbler All Reports: 08 Sept Brookings KM; 02 Oct Brookings JSP
Palm Warbler All Reports: 09 Sept Brookings KM; 11 Sept Hughes KM; 12 Sept Sully RDO; 14 Sept Hughes KM; 17 Sept Minnehaha CA; 21 Sept Brown GO
Yellow-rumped Warbler Early: 29 Aug Roberts CV; 04 Sept Hughes KM; 08 Sept Brookings KM ... Late: 24 Nov Yankton DS; 23 Nov Hughes KM; 22 Nov Stanley KM; 19 Nov Perkins ND; 28 Oct Lake JSP
Townsend's Warbler All Reports: 18 Aug Lawrence ND; 06 Sept Custer JSP; 12 Sept Hughes KM
Black-throated Green Warbler All Reports: 26-27 Aug Union DS; 04 Sept Union GJS; 13 Sept Hughes KM; 22 Sept Brown GO; 10 Oct Hughes KM
Canada Warbler Early: 20 Aug Roberts CV; 25 Aug Day KM; 26 Aug Yankton KP ... Late: 11 Sept Hughes KM; 29 Aug Lincoln, Minnehaha CA
Wilson's Warbler Early: 14 Aug Stanley RDO; 18 Aug Lawrence ND; 25 Aug Day KM ... Late: 15 Nov Pennington CLG; 19 Oct Stanley RDO; 30 Sept Hughes KM; 19 Sept Lincoln CA
Scarlet Tanager All Reports: 26 Aug Union DS; 06 Sept Lincoln CA
Western Tanager Late: 04 Sept Custer JSP; 03 Sept Lawrence VDF; 02 Sept Meade MMM
Rose-breasted Grosbeak Late: 14 Sept Hughes GFP; 06 Sept Lincoln CA; 03 Sept Brown GO
Black-headed Grosbeak Late: 09 Sept Lawrence VDF; 04 Sept Custer JSP; 04 Sept Hughes KM
Blue Grosbeak Late: 25 Sept Gregory KP; 18 Sept Lincoln CA; 07 Sept Custer MMM
Lazuli Bunting All Reports: 17 Aug Custer DB; 18 Aug Fall River ND; 05 Sept Fall River JSP
Indigo Bunting Late: 09 Oct Hughes KM; 19 Sept Lincoln CA; 11 Sept Charles Mix KP
Dickcissel Late: 05 Sept Lincoln CA; 23 Aug Perkins ND; 13 Aug Clay GJS

Species Expected But Not Reported

American Black Duck (3), Hudsonian Godwit, Black-legged Kittiwake (2), Sabine's Gull, Little Gull (2), Glaucous Gull, Great Black-backed Gull (4), Yellow-crowned Night-Heron, Short-eared Owl, Common Raven, Alder Flycatcher (2), Dusky Flycatcher (2), Northern Mockingbird (3), Cassin's Finch, Smith's Longspur, Baird's Sparrow (4), Blue-winged Warbler, Virginia's Warbler (2)

Reports Requiring Acceptance By The Rare Bird Records Committee

Mute Swan: 19 Aug Union DS (first county record; already accepted by committee)
Mississippi Kite: 22-25 Aug Minnehaha CA, RND, RDO, JSP, CV
Hammond's Flycatcher: 05 Sept Fall River JSP
White-eyed Vireo: 11 Sept Hughes KM

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