

The Birds of Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge

The information for this list comes from a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service checklist (1995) and was prepared by “Utah Birds” (www.utahbirds.org) in accordance with the 7th A.O.U checklist and 42nd supplement. This Checklist contains 236 species.

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Seasonal Abundance Codes

- C = Common (likely to be seen in suitable habitat)
- U = Uncommon (present, but not always seen)
- O = Occasional, (seen only a few times per season)
- R = Rare (few records over several years)
- A = Accidental (one of two records in a ten year period)
- P = Permanent (year round resident)
- S = Summer (present during nesting season)
- W = Winter (November through March)
- T = Transient (seen as a migrant, spring or fall)
- # = Species for which documentation is requested
- * = Species known to nest on the refuge

Bird List

Loons

- __ Red-throated Loon # A
- __ Pacific Loon RT
- __ Common Loon UT

Grebes

- __ Pied-billed Grebe *CS, UW
- __ Horned Grebe RW
- __ Eared Grebe *US, CT
- __ Western Grebe *CS, RW
- __ Clark's Grebe *CS, RW

Pelicans & Cormorants

- __ American White Pelican CS
- __ Double-crested Cormorant *CS

Bitterns & Herons

- __ American Bittern RS
- __ Great Blue Heron CP
- __ Great Egret RS
- __ Snowy Egret *CS
- __ Cattle Egret CS
- __ Black-crowned Night-Heron *CS

Ibises & Spoonbills

- __ White-faced Ibis *CS

Vultures

- __ Turkey Vulture CS

Swans, Geese & Ducks

- __ Greater White-fronted Goose A
- __ Snow Goose UT
- __ Ross's Goose RT
- __ Canada Goose *CP
- __ Brant # A
- __ Trumpeter Swan # RW
- __ Tundra Swan CT, RW
- __ Wood Duck RW
- __ Gadwall *CS, UW
- __ Eurasian Wigeon # RT
- __ American Wigeon CT, UW

- __ Mallard *CP
- __ Blue-winged Teal US
- __ Cinnamon Teal *CS, RW
- __ Northern Shoveler *CS, UW
- __ Northern Pintail *CS, UW
- __ Green-winged Teal *US, CW
- __ Canvasback UT, RW
- __ Redhead *CS, RW
- __ Ring-necked Duck RT, RW
- __ Greater Scaup RT
- __ Lesser Scaup CT, UW
- __ Harlequin Duck # A
- __ Surf Scoter RW
- __ White-winged Scoter RW
- __ Black Scoter # A
- __ Long-tailed Duck RW
- __ Bufflehead CT, UW
- __ Common Goldeneye CT, UW
- __ Barrow's Goldeneye RW
- __ Hooded Merganser RT, RW
- __ Red-breasted Merganser CT, RW
- __ Ruddy Duck *CS, UW

Hawks & Falcons

- __ Osprey RT
- __ Bald Eagle CW
- __ Northern Harrier *CP
- __ Sharp-shinned Hawk UT, UW
- __ Cooper's Hawk UT, UW
- __ Northern Goshawk RT, RW
- __ Swainson's Hawk CS
- __ Red-tailed Hawk CP
- __ Ferruginous Hawk US
- __ Rough-legged Hawk CW
- __ Golden Eagle UP
- __ American Kestrel CP
- __ Merlin UW
- __ Peregrine Falcon UP
- __ Prairie Falcon UP

Pheasants, Grouse & Quail

- __ Ring-necked Pheasant *UP

Rails & Cranes

- __ Virginia Rail *CS
- __ Sora *CS
- __ Common Moorhen # *RP
- __ American Coot *CP
- __ Sandhill Crane CT, US

Plovers & Sandpipers

- __ Black-bellied Plover UT
- __ American Golden-Plover RT
- __ Pacific Golden-Plover # A
- __ Snowy Plover *CS
- __ Semipalmated Plover RT
- __ Killdeer *CS, RW
- __ Mountain Plover # A
- __ Black-necked Stilt *CS
- __ American Avocet *CS
- __ Greater Yellowlegs CT
- __ Lesser Yellowlegs CT
- __ Solitary Sandpiper UT
- __ Willet *CS
- __ Spotted Sandpiper UT
- __ Whimbrel RT
- __ Long-billed Curlew *CS
- __ Marbled Godwit CT
- __ Ruddy Turnstone # RT
- __ Red Knot RT
- __ Sanderling RT, UW
- __ Semipalmated Sandpiper RT
- __ Western Sandpiper CT
- __ Least Sandpiper CT, RW
- __ Baird's Sandpiper UT
- __ Pectoral Sandpiper RT
- __ Dunlin RT
- __ Stilt Sandpiper RT
- __ Buff-breasted Sandpiper # A
- __ Short-billed Dowitcher RT
- __ Long-billed Dowitcher CT
- __ Common Snipe *CS, UW
- __ Wilson's Phalarope CS
- __ Red-necked Phalarope CT
- __ Red Phalarope A

Gulls, Terns, & Alcids

__Parasitic Jaeger # A
 __Long-tailed Jaeger # A
 __Franklin's Gull CS
 __Bonaparte's Gull UT
 __Mew Gull A
 __Ring-billed Gull *US, CW
 __California Gull *CP
 __Herring Gull UW
 __Thayer's Gull RW
 __Glaucous-winged Gull # A
 __Glaucous Gull RW
 __Sabine's Gull # A
 __Caspian Tern *US
 __Common Tern RT
 __Forster's Tern *CS
 __Black Tern *CT, US

Pigeons & Doves

__Rock Dove *CP
 __White-winged Dove A
 __Mourning Dove *CS

Owls

__Barn Owl UP
 __Great Horned Owl UP
 __Burrowing Owl *US
 __Short-eared Owl *UP

Goatsuckers

__Common Nighthawk CS
 __Common Poorwill US

Swifts

__White-throated Swift US

Hummingbirds

__Black-chinned Hummingbird US
 __Broad-tailed Hummingbird US
 __Rufous Hummingbird UT

Kingfishers

__Belted Kingfisher UP

Woodpeckers

__Downy Woodpecker UP
 __Northern Flicker UP

Flycatchers

__Western Wood-Pewee RT
 __Willow Flycatcher RT
 __Hammond's Flycatcher RT
 __Gray Flycatcher RT
 __Dusky Flycatcher RT
 __Cordilleran Flycatcher RT
 __Say's Phoebe UP
 __Ash-throated Flycatcher RT
 __Western Kingbird US
 __Eastern Kingbird RS

Shrikes

__Loggerhead Shrike UW
 __Northern Shrike UW

Vireos

__Plumbeous Vireo RT
 __Warbling Vireo RT

Jays & Crows

__Black-billed Magpie *CP
 __American Crow RW
 __Common Raven *CP

Larks

__Horned Lark *CP

Swallows

__Tree Swallow CT, US
 __Violet-green Swallow CT, US
 __No. Rough-winged Swallow CT, US
 __Bank Swallow US
 __Cliff Swallow *CS
 __Barn Swallow *CS

Titmice, Verdin & Bushtit

__Black-capped Chickadee UT
 __Mountain Chickadee RT

Wrens

__Rock Wren UT
 __House Wren UT
 __Marsh Wren *CS, UW

Kinglets

__Ruby-crowned Kinglet UT

Gnatcatchers

__Blue-gray Gnatcatcher RT

Thrushes

__Mountain Bluebird UT
 __Townsend's Solitaire RT
 __Swainson's Thrush RT
 __Hermit Thrush UT
 __American Robin UP

Thrashers

__Northern Mockingbird RT, US
 __Sage Thrasher *CT, US

Starling

__European Starling *CP

Pipit

__American Pipit CT, UW

Waxwings & Phainopepla

__Bohemian Waxwing RW
 __Cedar Waxwing RW

Warblers

__Orange-crowned Warbler UT
 __Nashville Warbler RT
 __Virginia's Warbler RT
 __Yellow Warbler UT
 __Yellow-rumped Warbler UT
 __MacGillivray's Warbler RT
 __Common Yellowthroat *CT, CS
 __Wilson's Warbler UT

Tanagers

__Western Tanager UT

Sparrows

__Green-tailed Towhee UT
 __Spotted Towhee UT
 __American Tree Sparrow UW
 __Chipping Sparrow UT
 __Brewer's Sparrow *CS, CT
 __Vesper Sparrow *CS, CT
 __Lark Sparrow US, UT
 __Lark Bunting RT
 __Savannah Sparrow *CS, CT
 __Song Sparrow *CP
 __Lincoln's Sparrow UT
 __White-throated Sparrow RW
 __Harris's Sparrow RW
 __White-crowned Sparrow CT, CW
 __Dark-eyed Junco CT, CW
 __Lapland Longspur UW
 __Snow Bunting UW

Grosbeaks & Buntings

__Black-headed Grosbeak UT
 __Lazuli Bunting UT

Blackbirds & Orioles

__Bobolink RT
 __Red-winged Blackbird *CP
 __Western Meadowlark *CP
 __Yellow-headed Blackbird *CS
 __Brewer's Blackbird *CP
 __Brown-headed Cowbird *CS
 __Bullock's Oriole UT

Finches

__House Finch *CP
 __Pine Siskin UT
 __American Goldfinch CP
 __Evening Grosbeak RT

Weaver Finches

__House Sparrow *CP