There was a lot of bird activity on the morning of our count. Several flocks of White-faced Ibis took off early, later followed by a small flock of Canada Geese. Apparently, these birds spend the night at the SJWS and the day feeding elsewhere. We had a couple of Cattle Egrets at ponds 1 & 2, which was a nice surprise, and 3 Black-bellied Plovers also showed up at ponds 1 & 2. These plovers seldom visit the marsh any more so this was indeed a treat to see them. Another uncommon species was the Horned Grebe at pond 5. Though none of these species are rare, they are uncommon enough to be count highlights. There was an extensive amount of vegetation at pond E which made it a real challenge to find all the birds among the plants; this was not helped by the flighty behavior of the Western Sandpipers which kept moving around from spot to spot, finally flying over the wall into the treatment plant. A flock of 252 American White Pelicans was scattered all over the marsh, with the predominant number in ponds 1 & 2; we hope they will remain here for the winter. They are so beautiful to see in flight against a blue sky!

**GEESE & DUCKS**
- 12 5 Canada Geese
- 41 12 Mallard
- 4 13 Gadwall
- 27 Green-winged Teal
- 7 American Wigeon
- 3 Northern Pintail
- 93 1 Northern Shoveler
- 2 Blue-winged Teal
- 27 Cinnamon Teal
- 2 Canvasback
- 15 Ring-necked Duck
- 46 Ruddy Duck

**GALLINULES & COOTS**
- 127 74 American Coot
- 3 4 Black-bellied Plover
- 16 Killdeer

**CORMORANTS & PELICANS**
- 127 74 American Coot
- 3 4 Black-bellied Plover
- 16 Killdeer

**GREBES**
- 14 5 Pied-billed Grebe
- 1 Horned Grebe
- 6 Eared Grebe
- 17 Western Grebe
- 7 Clark’s Grebe

**CORMORANTS & PELICANS**
- 136 5 Double-crested Cormorant
- 252 American White Pelican
- 1 Brown Pelican

**HERONS, EGRETS & IBIS**
- 6 Great Blue Heron
- 5 Great Egret
- 22 Snowy Egret
- 2 Cattle Egret
- 4 Green Heron
- 13 Black-crowned Night-Heron
- 18 White-faced Ibises (flyovers)

**DIURNAL BIRDS OF PREY**
- 4 Turkey Vulture
- 2 Osprey
- 1 Cooper’s Hawk
- 2 Red-shouldered Hawk
- 2 Red-tailed Hawk

**RAILS, GALLINULES & COOTS**
- 2 Virginia Rail
- 2 Common Gallinule

**CROWS & RAVENS**
- 3000 American Crow
- 1 Common Raven

**SWALLOWS**
- 8 N. Rough-winged Swallow

**MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASHERS**
- 45 California Thrasher
- 3 Townsend’s Warbler

**WARBLERS**
- 1 Black-throated Gray Warbler
- 3 Townsend’s Warbler

**FINCHES**
- 118 House Finch
- 8 American Goldfinch
- 27 Lesser Goldfinch

**EXOTIC SPECIES**
- 10 Nutmeg Mannikin

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