



Checklist of Bird Species

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CODES	Y	Year-round, breeding
	M	Migratory, non-breeding
	MB	Migratory, breeding
	C	Common
	U	Uncommon to rare

The following 263 species have been observed & recorded on the CCWA lands and waters. Please report any sightings of rare birds on the property to the Wetlands Center staff. 2010

GEESE, SWANS & DUCKS

GRT. WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE	M/U
SNOW GOOSE	M/U
ROSS'S GOOSE	M/U
CANADA GOOSE	Y/C
WOOD DUCK	Y/C
GADWALL	M/C
AMERICAN WIDGEON	M/C
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK	M/U
MALLARD	Y/C
BLUE-WINGED TEAL	M/C
NORTHERN SHOVELER	M/C
NORTHERN PINTAIL	M/U
GREEN-WINGED TEAL	M/C
CANVASBACK	M/U
REDHEAD	M/U
RING-NECKED DUCK	M/C
GREATER SCAUP	M/U
LESSER SCAUP	M/C
BUFFLEHEAD	M/C
COMMON GOLDENEYE	M/U
HOODED MERGANSER	M/C
RED-BREASTED MERGANSER	M/U
RUDDY DUCK	M/C

RAILS & MARSH BIRDS

KING RAIL	M/U
VIRGINIA RAIL	MB/U
SORA	M/U
COMMON MOORHEN	Y/C
AMERICAN COOT	Y/C



DIVING & WADING BIRDS

PIED-BILLED GREBE	Y/C
HORNED GREBE	M/U
EARED GREBE	M/U
DBL-CRESTED CORMORANT	M/C
ANHINGA	M/U
AMERICAN BITTERN	M/U
LEAST BITTERN	M/U
GREAT BLUE HERON	Y/C
GREAT EGRET	M/C
SNOWY EGRET	M/U
LITTLE BLUE HERON	M/U
TRICOLORED HERON	M/U
CATTLE EGRET	M/U
GREEN HERON	MB/C
BLK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON	M/U
YEL-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON	MB/U
WHITE IBIS	M/U

VULTURES, RAPTORS & CRANES

BLACK VULTURE	Y/C
TURKEY VULTURE	Y/C
OSPREY	MB/U
MISSISSIPPI KITE	M/U
BALD EAGLE	Y/U
NORTHERN HARRIER	M/U
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK	M/U
COOPER'S HAWK	Y/C
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK	Y/C
BROAD-WINGED HAWK	MB/U
RED-TAILED HAWK	Y/C
AMERICAN KESTREL	M/U
MERLIN	M/U
PEREGRINE FALCON	M/U
SANDHILL CRANE	M/C

QUAIL

WILD TURKEY	Y/U
NORTHERN BOBWHITE	Y/U

SHOREBIRDS

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER	M/U
AMERICAN GOLDEN-PLOVER	M/U
SEMIPALMATED PLOVER	M/U
KILLDEER	Y/C
GREATER YELLOWLEGS	M/C
LESSER YELLOWLEGS	M/C
SOLITARY SANDPIPER	M/C
WILLET	M/U
SPOTTED SANDPIPER	M/U
UPLAND SANDPIPER	M/U
SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER	M/U
WESTERN SANDPIPER	M/U
LAST SANDPIPER	M/U
WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER	M/U
BAIRD'S SANDPIPER	M/U
PECTORAL SANDPIPER	M/C
DUNLIN	M/U
STILT SANDPIPER	M/U
BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER	M/U
SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER	M/U
LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER	M/U
WILSON'S SNIPE	M/U
AMERICAN WOODCOCK	Y/U

GULLS, TERNS, SKIMMERS

LAUGHING GULL	M/U
FRANKLIN'S GULL	M/U
BONAPARTE'S GULL	M/U
RING-BILLED GULL	M/U
HERRING GULL	M/U
CASPIAN TERN	M/U
ROYAL TERN	M/U
COMMON TERN	M/U
FORSTER'S TERN	M/U
BLACK TERN	M/U

PIGEONS, DOVES, CUCKOOS, OWLS

ROCK PIGEON	Y/C
EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE	Y/U
MOURNING DOVE	Y/C
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO	M/U
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO	MB/C
EASTERN SCREECH-OWL	Y/U
GREAT HORNED OWL	Y/C
BARRED OWL	Y/C

NIGHTJARS & SWIFTS	
COMMON NIGHTHAWK	M/U
CHUCK-WILL'S-WIDOW	M/U
WHIP-POOR-WILL	M/U
CHIMNEY SWIFT	MB/C
HUMMINGBIRDS	
RUBY-THRT. HUMMINGBIRD	MB/C
KINGFISHERS & WOODPECKERS	
BELTED KINGFISHER	Y/C
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER	Y/U
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER	Y/C
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER	M/C
DOWNY WOODPECKER	Y/C
HAIRY WOODPECKER	Y/C
NORTHERN FLICKER	Y/C
PILEATED WOODPECKER	Y/C
FLYCATCHERS, KINGBIRDS, SHRIKES	
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER	M/U
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE	MB/C
YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER	M/U
ACADIAN FLYCATCHER	MB/C
WILLOW FLYCATCHER	M/U
LEAST FLYCATCHER	M/U
EASTERN PHOEBE	Y/C
GREAT-CRESTED FLYCATCH.	MB/C
EASTERN KINGBIRD	MB/C
LOGGERHEAD SHRIKE	Y/U
VIREOS	
WHITE-EYED VIREO	MB/C
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO	MB/C
BLUE-HEADED VIREO	M/U
WARBLING VIREO	M/U
PHILADELPHIA VIREO	M/U
RED-EYED VIREO	MB/C
JAYS, LARKS, SWALLOWS	
BLUE JAY	Y/C
AMERICAN CROW	Y/C
FISH CROW	Y/C
HORNED LARK	M/U
PURPLE MARTIN	MB/C
TREE SWALLOW	MB/C
N. ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW	MB/C
BANK SWALLOW	M/U
CLIFF SWALLOW	M/U
BARN SWALLOW	MB/C

CHICKADEES THRU WRENS	
CAROLINA CHICKADEE	Y/C
TUFTED TITMOUSE	Y/C
RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH	M/U
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH	Y/C
BROWN-HEADED NUTHATCH	Y/C
BROWN CREEPER	M/U
CAROLINA WREN	Y/C
HOUSE WREN	Y/U
WINTER WREN	M/U
SEdge WREN	M/U
MARSH WREN	M/U
GNATCATCHERS THRU WAXWINGS	
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER	MB/C
RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET	M/C
GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET	M/C
EASTERN BLUEBIRD	Y/C
VEERY	M/U
GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH	M/U
SWAINSON'S THRUSH	M/C
HERMIT THRUSH	M/C
WOOD THRUSH	MB/C
AMERICAN ROBIN	Y/C
GRAY CATBIRD	MB/C
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD	Y/C
BROWN THRASHER	Y/C
EUROPEAN STARLING	Y/C
AMERICAN PIPIT	M/C
CEDAR WAXWING	M/C
Wood Warblers	
BLUE-WINGED WARBLER	M/U
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER	M/U
TENNESSEE WARBLER	M/C
ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER	M/U
NASHVILLE WARBLER	M/U
NORTHERN PARULA	MB/C
YELLOW WARBLER	M/U
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER	M/C
MAGNOLIA WARBLER	M/C
CAPE MAY WARBLER	M/U
BLK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER	M/U
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER	M/C
BLK-THR. GREEN WARBLER	M/C
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER	M/U
YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER	M/U
PINE WARBLER	Y/C
PRAIRIE WARBLER	M/U
PALM WARBLER	M/C
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER	M/U
BLACKPOLL WARBLER	M/C
CERULEAN WARBLER	M/U
BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER	M/C
AMERICAN REDSTART	M/C

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER	M/U
WORM-EATING WARBLER	M/U
SWAINSON'S WARBLER	MB/U
OVENBIRD	M/U
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH	M/U
LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH	MB/C
KENTUCKY WARBLER	MB/U
CONNECTICUT WARBLER	M/U
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT	Y/C
HOODED WARBLER	MB/C
WILSON'S WARBLER	M/U
CANADA WARBLER	M/U
YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT	MB/C
TANAGERS THRU SPARROWS	
SUMMER TANAGER	MB/C
SCARLET TANAGER	MB/U
EASTERN TOWHEE	Y/C
CHIPPING SPARROW	Y/C
FIELD SPARROW	Y/C
VESPER SPARROW	M/U
LARK SPARROW	M/U
SAVANNAH SPARROW	M/C
GRASSHOPPER SPARROW	M/U
HENSLow'S SPARROW	M/U
FOX SPARROW	M/C
SONG SPARROW	Y/C
LINCOLN'S SPARROW	M/U
SWAMP SPARROW	M/C
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW	M/C
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW	M/U
DARK-EYED JUNCO	M/C
CARDINAL THRU BUNTINGS	
NORTHERN CARDINAL	Y/C
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK	M/C
BLUE GROSBEAK	MB/C
INDIGO BUNTING	MB/C
DICKCISSEL	M/U
BLACKBIRDS	
BOBOLINK	M/U
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD	Y/C
EASTERN MEADOWLARK	Y/C
RUSTY BLACKBIRD	M/U
COMMON GRACKLE	Y/C
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD	Y/C
ORCHARD ORIOLE	MB/U
BALTIMORE ORIOLE	M/U
FINCHES	
PURPLE FINCH	M/U
HOUSE FINCH	Y/C
PINE SISKIN	M/U
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH	Y/C



Accidental / Out-of-Normal Range Species (5 or less sightings)	
Blk-bellied Whist. Duck-	Sanderling
Tundra Swan	Purple Sandpiper
Mottled Duck	Red-necked Phalarope
Surf Scoter	Red Phalarope
White-winged Scoter	Sooty Tern
Black Scoter	Black Skimmer
Long-tailed Duck	Common Ground Dove
Red-necked Grebe	Rufous Hummingbird
American White Pelican	Vermilion Flycatcher
Glossy Ibis	Western Kingbird
Roseate Spoonbill	Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
Wood Stork	Wood Stork
Limpkin	Evening Grosbeak
Piping Plover	Lapland Longspur
Black-necked Stilt	Yellow-headed Blackbird
American Avocet	

- Birding Ethics & CCWA Rules**
- ◆ No harassment or interference with birds or other wildlife
 - ◆ No use of audio equipment to attract birds January thru August
 - ◆ No collecting of species or nests
 - ◆ No blocking of walkways or roadways by birders or equipment
 - ◆ No interference by photographers of other's efforts to observe birds
 - ◆ No trespassing into closed areas or into the water
 - ◆ No release of any bird species (see Wetlands Center staff naturalist)



Birding Resources

Atlanta Audubon Society
www.atlantaaudubon.org

Georgia Ornithological Society
www.gos.org

GOS Georgia Rare Bird Alert
770-493-8862

Public Access Sites for Birding at the CCWA

Open throughout the year:
Huie Ponds & Wetlands
10061 Dixon Industrial Blvd., Jonesboro

Newman Wetlands Center
2755 Freeman Road, Hampton

Open March thru October:
Blalock & Shamrock Reservoirs*
2610 Shamrock Road, Jonesboro

J.W. Smith Reservoir
143 Northbridge Rd., Hampton

*Birding permit available for Blalock & Shamrock reservoir birding during winter.

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