

Tenth annual fall survey of the Animas River Wetlands

Courtesy of the [Durango Bird Club](#)

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Date/Time: September 2020 8:15 a.m. to 12:45 pm

Weather: Sunny and calm; 50-something to 72 degrees



3	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
1	Wild Turkey	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>
1	Hummingbird spp	<i>Archilochus alexandri</i>
2	Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>
2	Turkey Vulture	<i>Cathartes aura</i>
2	Sharp-shinned Hawk	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>
1	Red-tailed Hawk	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>
1	Belted Kingfisher	<i>Megaceryle alcyon</i>
4	Lewis's Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes lewis</i>
1	Red-naped Sapsucker	<i>Sphyrapicus nuchalis</i>
1	Downy/Hairy Woodpecker	<i>Picoides spp.</i>
3	Northern Flicker	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>
2	Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopus cooperi</i>
1	Dusky Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax oberholseri</i>
1	Cordilleran Flycatcher	<i>Empidonax occidentalis</i>
1	Say's Phoebe	<i>Sayornis saya</i>
1	Western Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>
1	Loggerhead Shrike	<i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>
1	Warbling Vireo	<i>Vireo gilvus</i>
5	Steller's Jay	<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>
2	Woodhouse's Scrub-Jay	<i>Aphelocoma woodhouseii</i>
4	Black-billed Magpie	<i>Pica hudsonia</i>
2	Common Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>
1	Violet-green Swallow	<i>Tachycineta thalassina</i>
1	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
5	Black-capped Chickadee	<i>Poecile atricapillus</i>

1	Mountain Chickadee	<i>Poecile gambeli</i>
1	Rock Wren	<i>Salpinctes obsoletus</i>
7	House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
1	Marsh Wren	<i>Cistothorus palustris</i>
2	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	<i>Poliophtila caerulea</i>
1	Ruby-crowned Kinglet	<i>Regulus calendula</i>
2	Western Bluebird	<i>Sialia mexicana</i>
20	Mountain Bluebird	<i>Sialia currucoides</i>
1	Hermit Thrush	<i>Catharus guttatus</i>
16	American Robin	<i>Turdus migratorius</i>
4	American Pipit	<i>Anthus rubescens</i>
1	Sage Thrasher	<i>Oreoscoptes montanus</i>
1	European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
5	House Finch	<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>
49	Pine Siskin	<i>Spinus pinus</i>
10	Lesser Goldfinch	<i>Spinus psaltria</i>
5	American Goldfinch	<i>Spinus tristis</i>
3	Evening Grosbeak	<i>Coccothraustes vespertinus</i>
7	Orange-crowned Warbler	<i>Oreothlypis celata</i>
2	MacGillivray's Warbler	<i>Geothlypis tolmiei</i>
5	Yellow Warbler	<i>Setophaga petechia</i>
19	Yellow-rumped Warbler	<i>Setophaga coronata</i>
22	Wilson's Warbler	<i>Cardellina pusilla</i>
4	Green-tailed Towhee	<i>Pipilo chlorurus</i>
8	Chipping Sparrow	<i>Spizella passerina</i>
3	Brewer's Sparrow	<i>Spizella breweri</i>
1	Vesper Sparrow	<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>
1	Grasshopper Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>
3	Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>
11	Lincoln's Sparrow	<i>Melospiza lincolnii</i>
9	White-crowned Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>
2	Dark-eyed Junco	<i>Junco hyemalis</i>
2	Western Tanager	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>
51	Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>



Bird of the Day: Grasshopper Sparrow.
This is only the second record of this species in La Plata County.