

Fifteenth annual fall survey of the Animas River Wetlands

Courtesy of the [Durango Bird Club](#)

Observers: Susan Allerton, Catherine Ortega, and Joseph Ortega

Date/Time: September 9, 2025 8:30 a.m. to 12:08 a.m.

Weather: Cloudy, becoming sunny with some clouds; 50s— ~70 degrees

Summary: 38 species; 197 individuals



9	Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>
1	Calliope Hummingbird	<i>Selasphorus calliope</i>
5	American Coot	<i>Fulica americana</i>
1	Great Blue Heron	<i>Ardea herodias</i>
1	Sharp-shinned Hawk	<i>Accipiter striatus</i>
1	Cooper's Hawk	<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>
2	Hairy Woodpecker	<i>Dryobates villosus</i>
11	Northern Flicker	<i>Colaptes auratus</i>
1	Western Wood-Pewee	<i>Contopus sordidulus</i>
1	Western Kingbird	<i>Tyrannus verticalis</i>
3	Steller's Jay	<i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>
4	Black-billed Magpie	<i>Pica hudsonia</i>
6	American Crow	<i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>
11	Black-capped Chickadee	<i>Poecile atricapillus</i>
2	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>
1	Cedar Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i>
1	White-breasted Nuthatch	<i>Sitta carolinensis</i>
6	House Wren	<i>Troglodytes aedon</i>
1	European Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>
7	Western Bluebird	<i>Sialia mexicana</i>
		<i>Coccothraustes</i>
18	Evening Grosbeak	<i>vespertinus</i>
6	House Finch	<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>
4	Lesser Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis psaltria</i>

7	American Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis tristis</i>
8	Chipping Sparrow	<i>Spizella passerina</i>
15	Brewer's Sparrow	<i>Spizella breweri</i>
24	Vesper Sparrow	<i>Pooecetes gramineus</i>
8	Song Sparrow	<i>Melospiza melodia</i>
3	Lincoln's Sparrow	<i>Melospiza lincolnii</i>
3	Green-tailed Towhee	<i>Pipilo chlorurus</i>
3	Red-winged Blackbird	<i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>
4	MacGillivray's Warbler	<i>Oporornis tolmiei</i>
1	Common Yellowthroat	<i>Geothlypis trichas</i>
1	Yellow Warbler	<i>Setophaga petechia</i>
1	Yellow-rumped Warbler	<i>Setophaga coronata</i>
14	Wilson's Warbler	<i>Cardellina pusilla</i>
1	Western Tanager	<i>Piranga ludoviciana</i>
1	Lazuli Bunting	<i>Passerina amoena</i>