

## Sea & Sage Audubon SJWS Census Report for February 2010

**Census Date:** 02/12/10      **Census Time:** 7:30 - 9:40 am      **Weather:** clear; no breeze  
**Birders who took part in the census were:** Sara Bethurum, Barbara Dixon, Carol Freund, Jan Gaffney, Sharon Harrow, Bob Hogan, Nancy Kenyon, Paul Klahr, Merri Levy, Sally Menzel, Dick Purvis, Barbara Sentovich, Jerry Tolman, Darrell Wilson. The San Diego Creek was not covered.

**See our chapter webpage for data on all of our monthly SJWS bird counts:**  
<http://www.seaandsageaudubon.org/BirdInfo/BirdCounts/SJWSscensus/SJWSscensus.htm>  
**or, using the tinyurl system,** <http://tinyurl.com/cc5gry>

**Comments:** It rained on our original count day of Feb. 5, so we rescheduled the census for Feb. 12. Since ponds A,B,D,C were inaccessible due to construction, those ponds were covered on Sunday morning, Feb. 14. The San Diego Creek was not covered. Two large groups of Killdeer were found in the back portion of the sanctuary along with two large flocks of American Pipits. In Pond A on Sunday morning, a group of 78 Black-necked Stilts were gathered together in the shallow water at the rear of the pond.

<b>Geese &amp; Ducks</b>		<b>Gallinules &amp; Coots</b>		<b>Swallows</b>	
14	Canada Goose	1	Common Moorhen	6	N. Rough-winged Swallow
2	Wood Duck	91	American Coot	2	Cliff Swallow
17	Gadwall	<b>Plovers</b>		<b>Bushtits &amp; Wrens</b>	
62	Mallard	90	Killdeer	52	Bushtit
6	Blue-winged Teal	<b>Stilts</b>		38	Marsh Wren
30	Cinnamon Teal	78	Black-necked Stilt	<b>Kinglets &amp; Gnatcatchers</b>	
117	Northern Shoveler	<b>Gulls &amp; Terns</b>		12	Ruby-crowned Kinglet
15	Northern Pintail	1	Western Gull	27	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
17	Green-winged Teal	4	Ring-billed Gull	<b>Thrushes</b>	
17	Ring-necked Duck	140	California Gull	1	Hermit Thrush
3	Bufflehead	10	Forster's Tern	<b>Mockingbirds &amp; Thrashers</b>	
62	Ruddy Duck	<b>Doves</b>		6	Northern Mockingbird
<b>Grebes</b>		56	Mourning Dove	5	California Thrasher
7	Pied-billed Grebe	<b>Swifts</b>		<b>Pipits</b>	
12	Eared Grebe	4	White-throated Swift	63	American Pipit
4	Western Grebe	<b>Hummingbirds</b>		<b>Warblers</b>	
3	Clark's Grebe	66	Anna's Hummingbird	6	Orange-crowned Warbler
<b>Cormorants</b>		9	Allen's Hummingbird	143	Yellow-rumped Warbler
34	Double-crested CormorantP	<b>Kingfishers</b>		2	Townsend's Warbler
<b>Bitterns, Herons &amp; Egrets</b>		2	Belted Kingfisher	88	Common Yellowthroat
1	Least Bittern	<b>Woodpeckers</b>		1	Wilson's Warbler
3	Great Blue Heron	5	Nuttall's Woodpecker	<b>Towhees &amp; Sparrows</b>	
4	Great Egret	2	Downy Woodpecker	37	Spotted Towhee
3	Snowy Egret	3	Northern Flicker	1	Fox Sparrow
2	Green Heron	<b>Flycatchers</b>		169	Song Sparrow
14	Black-crowned Night-Heron	16	Black Phoebe	35	White-crowned Sparrows
<b>Diurnal Birds of Prey</b>		1	Say's Phoebe	<b>Blackbirds</b>	
6	Turkey Vulture	2	Cassin's Kingbird	18	Red-winged Blackbird
2	Osprey	<b>Vireos</b>		1	Great-tailed Grackle
1	Cooper's Hawk	1	Hutton's Vireo	<b>Finches</b>	
1	Red-shouldered Hawk	<b>Crows &amp; Ravens</b>		115	House Finch
1	Red-tailed Hawk	17	American Crow	88	Lesser Goldfinch
2	American Kestrel	1	Common Raven	20	American Goldfinch
<b>Rails</b>		<b>Swallows</b>			
3	Sora	88	Tree Swallow		