

Sea & Sage Audubon
UC Natural Reserve System Census Report for Dec. 5, 2013

Species	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
GEESE & DUCKS					
Canada Goose	32	57	44		133
Mallard	1	16	1		18
Northern Shoveler		24			24
Northern Pintail		3			3
Green-winged Teal		2			2
Canvasback		1			1
Ruddy Duck		14			14
QUAIL					
California Quail				2	2
GREBES					
Pied-billed Grebe	2	4			6
Eared Grebe		2			2
PELICANS & CORMORANTS					
American White Pelican	16	6			22
Double-crested Cormorant	1	2			3
DIURNAL BIRDS OF PREY					
Turkey Vulture	5			2	7
White-tailed Kite			1		1
Northern Harrier		1			1
Cooper's Hawk			1		1
Red-shouldered Hawk		1		1	2
Red-tailed Hawk	1	1	1		3
American Kestrel		1			1
RAILS, GALLINULES & COOTS					
Virginia Rail	1				1
Sora	1	1			2
American Coot	3	31			34
SANDPIPERS					
Wilson's Snipe		2			2
GULLS & TERNS					
gull species		1		3	4

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DOVES					
Mourning Dove	1	1	9	4	15
SWIFTS					
White-throated Swift		25			25
HUMMINGBIRDS					
Anna's Hummingbird	2	3	7	6	18
Allen's Hummingbird	1	2	6	4	13
hummingbird sp.		2			2
WOODPECKERS					
Nuttall's Woodpecker	1	1			2
Downy Woodpecker			1		1
Northern Flicker				1	1
FLYCATCHERS					
Black Phoebe	3	4		3	10
Say's Phoebe	2	3	3		8
Cassin's Kingbird		6		3	9
SHRIKES					
Loggerhead Shrike		1	1		2
CROWS & RAVENS					
American Crow	1	9	14	9	33
LARKS					
Horned Lark			18		18
WRENTITS & BUSHTITS & WRENS					
Bushtit	7		25	9	41
House Wren			1		1
Marsh Wren	6	1			7
KINGLETS & GNATCATCHERS					
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	1		1	2	4
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	1		2		3
California Gnatcatcher			3	3	6

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MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASHERS					
Northern Mockingbird			1	2	3
California Thrasher			2		2
WARBLERS					
Common Yellowthroat	6	8	11	4	29
Yellow-rumped Warbler	15	9	8	15	47
TOWHEES & SPARROWS					
Spotted Towhee	1				1
California Towhee			5	2	7
Savannah Sparrow			10		10
Lincoln's Sparrow		1			1
Song Sparrow	6	14	6	6	32
White-crowned Sparrow	1	25	28	9	63
BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES					
Red-winged Blackbird	2	9	11	3	25
Western Meadowlark		13			13
Great-tailed Grackle	2	2			4
FINCHES					
House Finch	6	27	31	41	105
American Goldfinch			1		1

Monthly Census conducted by Sea & Sage Audubon

Area 1: Sediment Pond & Ponds 1,2,3 (Nancy Kenyon, Terry Hill, Sheila Harlow)

Area 2: Ponds 4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11 (Terry Hill & Sheila Harlow)

Area 3: The Bluff Area (Jan Gaffney & Bonny Ahern)

Area 4: The Arboretum (Darrell Wilson & Sharon Harrow)

Comments: It was a very quiet morning with very few birds vocalizing. With the exception of the Canada Geese which flew over us, honking loudly, the other birds were pretty quiet. In area 1, the Sora & Virginia Rail gave only 1 call apiece, the yellowthroats and yellow-rumps were noticeably subdued, and the Red-winged Blackbirds were calling softly as though they were afraid someone would hear them. Many of the ponds were dry or very low in water, and, as a result, we did not see any herons or egrets. The marsh looked very neat and orderly with the grassy areas around the pond edges neatly mowed and the dead reeds cut and stacked in a pile.