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LOCALITIES AND THEIR COUNTIES IN THIS ISSUE:

Abiquiu Lake - Rio Arriba	Orogrande - Otero
Alameda - Bernalillo	
Alamogordo - Otero	Peloncillo Mts. - Hidalgo
Albuquerque - Bernalillo	Percha Dam St. Park - Sierra
Anthony - Dona Ana	Pleasanton - Catron
Artesia - Eddy	
	Rattlesnake Spring - Eddy
Bell Lake - Lea	Rodeo - Hidalgo
Bitter Lake N. W. R. - Chaves	Roswell - Chaves
Bluewater Lake - Valencia/McKinley	
Boones Draw - Roosevelt	San Cristobal - Taos
Bosque del Apache N. W. R. - Socorro	Sandia Mts. - Bernalillo
	San Simon Cienaga - Hidalgo
Capitan - Lincoln	Santa Fe - Santa Fe
Carlsbad (etc.) - Eddy	Silver City - Grant
Cliff - Grant	Stanley - Santa Fe
Conchas Lake - San Miguel	Sumner Lake - Guadalupe
Cottonwood Gulch - McKinley	
	Thoreau - McKinley
Delaware River - Eddy	Tularosa - Otero
Elephant Butte Lake - Sierra	Ute Lake - Quay
Espanola - Rio Arriba	
Evans Lake - Grant	White Oaks - Lincoln
	Williamsburg - Sierra
Farmington - San Juan	
Fort Bayard - Grant	Zuni - McKinley
Fort Sumner - DeBaca	Zuni Mts. - Valencia/McKinley
Gila Valley - Grant/Catron/Hidalgo	
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Kirtland - San Juan	
Lake Avalon - Eddy	
Lake McMillan - Eddy	
Las Cruces - Dona Ana	
Las Vegas - San Miguel	
Logan - Quay	
Loving - Eddy	
Luna - Catron	
Malaga - Eddy	
Montoya - Quay	
Morgan Lake - San Juan	
Mule Creek - Grant	

The winter period was generally mild and dry well into January, which may well account for lingering of some of the heartier species among our typical summer residents. In this regard, Christmas Count and other records showed notable numbers of species such as House Wrens, Mockingbirds, Lesser Goldfinches, and Lark Sparrows. More unusual were hummingbirds, nighthawks, and Sprague Pipit at Las Cruces, Long-billed Curlews, Pectoral Sandpiper, Franklin Gulls, and Wilson Warbler in the lower Pecos Valley area, and Violet-green Swallow at Bosque del Apache N. W. R. Gnatcatchers also lingered in the winter period, but identification to species is still a perplexing problem.

Besides the lingerers, the winter period was also marked by notable incursions of northerly and/or montane species, such as Rough-legged Hawks, Merlins, Western and Mountain bluebirds, and--locally--such cardueline finches as Cassin Finches, Pine Grosbeaks, and American Goldfinches. Add to these some typical easterly birds e.g. Oldsquaws, White-winged Scoter, Yellow-shafted Flickers, and Snow Buntings (!), and one can see that winter was a mixed bag for the state.

In contrast to winter, spring was cooler than normal--with spotty precipitation. Migration was not spectacular, and some summer species were later than normal in returning. Vagrants were few during the period, perhaps the most notable being a likely Louisiana Waterthrush in the Sandia Mountains--with an Arctic Loon nearby--for the first report for the state. Also noteworthy were Little Blue Heron and California Gull in the northwest, Elf Owl and Varied Thrush in the east, and Common Grackles continued their westward expansion (Zuni) and consolidation (Farmington). Continued work in the Pecos Valley by the team Axelrod-Hildebrandt-Howe yield much basic information for the area, including northerly records of such species as Lesser Nighthawk, Crissal Thrasher, Summer Tanager, and Painted Bunting.

Breeding also began in the period, including by herons, Marsh Hawks, and Black-necked Stilts in the lower Pecos Valley area, Long-eared Owl near Portales, and probably by Eastern Bluebirds at Ft. Sumner. Along with the latter, other notable breeding was reported, including Harris Hawk near Alamogordo (a first for the Tularosa Basin) and Costa Hummingbird in Guadalupe Canyon (a first for the state).

Readers will note some changes in this edition of the Field Notes, including a streamlining of reports. For example, we are now using asterisks to indicate substantiation levels for records that such is desirable. The symbols are explained below. We are still using abbreviations to signal the significance of reports, such as winter records (win/rec), unusual records (uns/rec), and so on. We hope that this is helpful. We would also like to request that all of you continue to submit reports with details for unusual records, plus your assessments on status, et cetera. It is helpful if you place your records in taxonomic order. We welcome your comments on our handling of your records.

CORRECTIONS TO FIELD NOTES:

13(2):28, 1979: BOBWHITE: attribute the record from Bitter Lake N. W. R. 11/7 to (BH), not D&SH.

18(1):8, 1979: GOLDEN PLOVER: delete the 2 referred to Bosque del Apache N. W. R. 4/21 (RT).

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BRC - Bird Record Committee (N. M. O. S.)

br/rec - breeding record

con/rec - continuity record

f - fide (according to)

sp/rec - spring record

uns/rec - unusual record

win/rec - winter record

* detailed record
** photo record
*** specimen record

COMMON LOON: uns/rec - 2 at Bluewater L. 12/15 (AM+); con/rec-singles Abiquiu L. 4/11--breeding plumage--(JH, JT) and Holloman L. 4/26 (FLM).

ARCTIC LOON: uns/rec - an **immature at Sandia Knolls 4/5 and later (HS+).

LEAST GREBE: correction - 1 reported at San Simon Cienaga 12/2/79 and possibly 11/29/79 (RM, in American Birds 34 (3): 296, 1980) should be 12/2/78 and 11/29/78.

HORNED GREBE: con/rec - singles at *Heron L.--breeding plumage--4/11 (JH, JT), Conchas L. 3/3 (JH, JT), and Evans L. 4/24 (JH), plus 1-2 in partial breeding plumage at L. McMillan 3/2 and 3/23 (WH+).

EARED GREBE: win/rec - 4 at Bluewater L. (AM+) and 6 Silver City (RF+) 12/15.

WESTERN GREBE: con/rec - 3 Abiquiu L. 4/11 (JH), 2 (1 each dark and Tight phase) Conchas L. 3/3 (JH, JV), 1 (dark) Bitter Lake N. W. R. 5/3 (WH+), and 2 (dark) L. McMillan 5/3 (WH+).

WHITE PELICAN: win/rec - present at Elephant Butte L. 12/13 and 5 there 1/10 (D. Sutcliffe), and 6 on Delaware River 12/31 (SW+).
sp/rec - up to 93 on L. McMillan during 3/23-4/27 (WH+).

OLIVACEOUS CORMORANT: con/rec - *1 Bosque del Apache N. W. R. 1/18-19 (RT).

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT: win/rec - 218 on Delaware River 12/31 (SW+).
sp/rec - 50 at Harroun L., Eddy Co. 4/15 (FWH). uns/rec - 8 presumably of this species near Alameda 2/15 and later (JP).

GREAT BLUE HERON: win/rec - 3 at Bluewater L. 12/15 (AM+). sp/rec - 1st at Zuni 5/18 (AS).

GREEN HERON: win/rec - 1 at Glenwood 12/29 (JH+). sp/rec - 1 in the Gila Valley 5/3 (RA).

LITTLE BLUE HERON: uns/rec - ***1 adult at Laguna Seca, Rio Arriba Co. 5/3-4 (AN+)--first local record. con/rec - 1 ad. near Anthony 4/21 (KZ), 2 at Dexter, Chaves Co. 5/31 (JD), and 1 (pied plumage) near Artesia 5/5 (WH+).

CATTLE EGRET: con/rec - 1 near Bosque N. W. R. 5/16 (RT), 2 at Bitter Lake N. W. R. 5/8 (WH), 4 at Orogrande 4/16, 1 near Alamogordo 4/26 (FLM), 1 near Artesia 5/5, and 2 at L. McMillan 5/3 (WH+).

GREAT EGRET: win/rec - singles near Roswell 12/15 (HW+) and at Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+). sp/rec - 4 at Orogrande 4/16, 1 at Holloman L. 4/21 (FLM), and 1 at Ft. Sumner 4/24 (WH+).

SNOWY EGRET: sp/rec - seen at Zuni 4/26-5/18 (AS), and singles at Ft. Bayard 5/25 (RF) and Ft. Sumner 4/24 (WH+). br/rec - 23 nests near Artesia 5/24 (WH+).

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON: win/rec - singles near Alameda 1/11 (JP) and at San Simon Cienaga 1/1 (RM). br/rec - 5 on nests near Artesia 5/5 and 10 on 5/24 (WH+).

AMERICAN BITTERN: con/rec - 1 at Espanola 5/10 (WS+).

WHITE-FACED IBIS: sp/rec - 15 at Zuni 5/30 (AS), 1 at Capitan 4/9 (R. Gonzales), and 26 near Tularosa 4/24 (fLM).

WHISTLING SWAN: win/rec - singles at Farmington 2/18 and later (AN) and at *Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+).

CANADA GOOSE: win/rec - 729 at Farmington (AN+), 13 at Bluewater L. (AM+) 12/15, and up to 90 at San Simon Cienaga 12/10-1/1 (RM). sp/rec - 256 Farmington area 5/17 (AN+) and singles at Espanola 5/10 (WS+), 5 near Albuquerque 5/17 (D&SH), and Alamogordo 3/1 (fLM).

WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE: uns/rec - 4-5 at Farmington 4/12 and later (AN)--rare in the area. win/rec - 28 at Las Vegas 12/16 (JG, WHk).

SNOW GOOSE: win/rec - 1 at Farmington 12/15 (AN+) and 7 (1 blue phase) at Las Vegas 12/16 (JG, WHk). sp/rec - 100+ at Ute L. 3/4-5 (JH, JV) and 30 at Holloman L. 3/10 (fLM).

ROSS GOOSE: uns/rec - 3+ at Ute L. 3/4-5 (JH, JV) and 1 at San Simon Cienaga 12/12-1/1 (RM)--rare in these areas; also 3-5 at L. McMillan 12/7-9 and 3/17 (WH, PT).

MEXICAN DUCK: con/rec - 3 at San Simon Cienaga 1/1 (RM) and *2 at L. McMillan 5/15 (WH+); also 1 reported at Ft. Bayard 5/25 (RF).

BLUE-WINGED TEAL: uns/rec - 10 at Roswell 12/15 (HW_) and 1* at Carlsbad Caverns 12/27 (RW+).

CINNAMON TEAL: win/rec - 21 at Roswell 12/15 (HW+)--plus 7 n.e. of there 2/4 (WH+)--1 at Carlsbad Caverns 12/15 (RW+), and 1 near Loving 12/22 (SW+).

WOOD DUCK: win/rec - 1 at Glenwood 12/29 (JH+); sp/rec - 1 Bitter Lake N. W. R. 5/8-14 (MA, WH).

CANVASBACK: win/rec - 3 at Bluewater L. 12/15 (AM+).

GREATER SCAUP: uns/rec - a **male reported at L. McMillan 12/1 (D&SH)--record to BRC.

COMMON GOLDENEYE: win/rec - 1 Glenwood 12/29 (JH) and 11 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+).

OLDSQUAW: uns/rec - *1 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+) and 2 (or 3) at L. McMillan **12/1 (D&SH) and into January (WH, PT)--very rare in New Mexico.

WHITE-WINGED SCOTER: uns/rec - *2 at Bluewater L. 12/2-18 (AM+)--rare in New Mexico.

HOODED MERGANSER: uns/rec - 20 at Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+) and 33 Delaware \$. 12/31 (SW+)--very high numbers for N.M.

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER: con/rec - 1-2 at Morgan L. 4/13 (D&SH) and L. McMillan 2/1 and 3/23, plus 72 at Loving 3/15-16 (WH+).

RAPTORS: win/rec - 34 birds of 5 species at the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project near Farmington 12/26 (AN) attests to this being excellent habitat for birds of prey--particularly for n.w. New Mexico.

MISSISSIPPI KITE: uns/rec - 1 in the Gila Valley 5/3 (RF+); also 1 or more reported in the Alamogordo area 2/23-3/15 (FLM) would be exceptional if correct, as the species winters out of our region.

GOSHAWK: win/rec - singles near Stanley, 2/5 (WS), in the Roswell area 12/10 and 12/15 (MA+), and near Cliff 12/29 (RF+).

HARLAN RED-TAILED HAWK: uns/rec - *1 ad. near Tucumcari, Quay Co. 3/4 (JH,JV).

SWAINSON HAWK: sp/rec - 1-2 near Farmington 4/19-5/31 (AN) and at Zuni 4/1 (AS).

BROAD-WINGED HAWK: uns/rec *1 ad. near Artesia 4/26-27 and an *im. there 5/1-15 (MA,WH).

ZONE-TAILED HAWK: sp/rec - 1 w. of Mule Creek 4/22 (JH).

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK: win/rec - 1-2 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), near Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+), and at Carlsbad Caverns N. P. 12/27 (RW+).

HARRIS' HAWK: uns/rec - pair reported nesting at Alamogordo in May, with 2 birds also seen 2/2 and 1 on 4/12 (FLM); this is the first reported instance of breeding this species in the Tularosa Basin.

BLACK HAWK: con/rec - 1 seen near Luna in spring (DC).

MARSH HAWK: br/rec - a nest with eggs near Artesia 5/18 --a chick there 5/30--(MA) and another at Rattlesnake Springs 5/10 (WH).

OSPREY: sp/rec - at Zuni 4/11 (AS).

MERLIN: con/rec - singles near Stanley--male--2/6 (WS), near Logan 3/5--female/im. bendirei-type (JH,JV), 30 mi. s. of Vaughn, DeBaca Co., (MA, TH), near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), in the Artesia area--male--12/4-18, and near Loving--male--12/22 (WH+); these are areas of infrequent occurrences. Numbers up elsewhere, including Albuquerque-Socorro areas (RT+).

BOBWHITE: con/rec - to 15 Ft. Sumner area 1/13-5/27 (WH+) and 2+ at Boones Draw 5/11 (JH+).

SCALED QUAIL: uns/rec - 2 at Farmington 5/17 (AN+)--locally rare.

MONTEZUMA QUAIL: con/rec - 3 near Alamogordo 5/3-4 (FLM).

CHUKAR: con/rec - 13 at Farmington 12/15 (AN+); also 1 near Roswell 12/15 (HW+)--wild bird?

WILD TURKEY: uns/rec - 1 in mesquite-grassland area west of Loving 1/18 (SW). con/rec - 18 Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+); not seen in San Cristobal area during winter (WH+).

WHOOPIING CRANE: con/rec - 9 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+); last seen was 1 flying north near Cochiti Lake, Sandoval Co., (F. & R. Slower), with earliest spring migrant at Los Alamos, Los Alamos Co. 2/12 (B. C. Lyon).

SANDHILL CRANE: win/rec - 136 near Las Vegas 12/16 (JG, WHK), 800 near Sumner L. 1/14 (WH+), 28 San Simon Cienaga 12/18 (RM), and 2 near Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+). uns/rec - 50+ seen near Farmington 4/1 (fAN) were a county first, while 13 in the Gila Valley 5/3 (RF+) were very late if correctly identified.

COMMON GALLINULE: win/rec - 2 near Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+) and 2 near Loving 12/22 (SW+).

AMERICAN COOT: win/rec - 60 Bluewater L. 12/15 (AM+).

SEMIPALMATED PLOVER: con/rec - 4 at Alamogordo 5/3-4 (FLM), plus singles at Bitter Lake N. W. R. 4/20 and L. McMillan 4/17 (MA,WH).

SNOWY PLOVER: con/rec *4 Bosque N.W.R. 5/24 (JD) and 11 near Bottomless Lakes S. P., Chaves Co. 3/13 (WH+).

KILLDEER: win/rec - 2 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER: win/rec - 2 at L. McMillan 12/5 (WH).

MOUNTAIN PLOVER: con/rec - 1 at Bitter Lake N. W. R. 3/12 (WH).

COMMON SNIBE: win/rec - 1 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

LONG-BILLED CURLEW: uns/rec 8-near Artesia 12/5-9 (TH,WH)--and *1 near Malaga 1/27 (SW)--rare in winter. sp/rec - 1 at Farmington 4/17 (AN), 14 at Tularosa 3/28 (FLM), present Las Cruces 4/23 (L&PH), and 1 at L. McMillan 3/10 (WH).

UPLAND PLOVER: uns/rec - 1 possible near L. McMillan 4/18 (PT)--rare in spring.

SPOTTED SANDPIPER: win/rec - 1 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+) and 4 in the lowermost Pecos Valley 12/22-31 (SW+). con/rec - 6 at Bell L. 5/13 (GS).

SOLITARY SANDPIPER: con/rec - 2 at Bell L. 5/13 (GS).

WILLET: wp/rec - 35 near Espanola 4/27 (WS).

LESSER YELLOWLEGS: win/rec - 7 near Loving 12/22 (SW+). sp/rec - singles near Roswell 3/11 and at L. McMillan 3/17 (WH,PT).

BAIRD SANDPIPER: sp/rec - 3 at Morgan L. 4/12 (AN+).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER: uns/rec - ***1 at L. McMillan 12/5-7 (WH)--this is the first verified winter record for N.M.

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER: sp/rec - 1 reported without details at Holloman L. 4/26 (FLM).

SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER: sp/rec - reported at L. McMillan as follows: *1 on 3/23, ***1 on 4/17, and 2 on 4/18 (MRA, WH).

SANDERLING: sp/rec - singles at *Farmington 5/20 (AN) and L. McMillan 5/3 (MA,WH).

SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER: uns/rec - *1 reported at Bosque del Apache N. W. R. 5/4 (D&SH)--first spring record--to BRC.

BLACK-NECKED STILT: br/rec - 3 nests near Artesia 5/30 (WH+).

AMERICAN AVOCET: uns/rec - 1 at Holloman L. 2/23 (FLM)--rare in winter.

NORTHERN PHALAROPE: sp/rec *30+ at Aztec, San Juan Co., 5/18 (AN+) and *33-37 at Bosque N. W. R. 5/23 (RT).

WILSON PHALAROPE: sp/rec - at Zuni 4/5 (AS).

HERRING GULL: win/rec - 2 at Sumner L. 1/14 (WH) and 1 near Las Cruces 12/15 (TH+). sp/rec - 1 im. at Morgan L. 5/15 (AN).

CALIFORNIA GULL: uns/rec - **1 ad. at Morgan L. 4/21-13 and 5/15 (AN+) was the first recorded for the county. con/rec - 6 ad. at Heron L. 4/11 (JH, JT).

RING-BILLED GULL: con/rec - at Zuni 3/3-5/18 (AS).

FRANKLIN GULL: uns/rec - *7 at Bitter Lake N. W. R. 12/10, and *10 at L. McMillan 12/10 and **1 on 2/1-18 (MA+); these were unprecedented winter records of a species that normally occurs at that season off Latin America. sp/rec - singles near Farmington 5/17 (AN+) and at Tyrone 4/13 and 4/17 (RF).

SABINE GULL: uns/rec - 1 reported without details at White Sands Missile Range, Dona Ana Co., 1/4 (LM)--not known in winter in N.M.

BONAPARTE GULL: win/rec - 1 at L. McMillan 12/7 (WH); sp/rec - 1 im. Farmington area t/17 (AN+).

FORSTER TERN: sp/rec - at Zuni 4/19 (AS), and 6 near Alamogordo 5/3-4 (FLM).

COMMON TERN: uns/rec - an *im. reported at L. McMillan 5/3 (MA,WH)--rare in NM especially in spring.

LEAST TERN: uns/rec - *1 at Las Cruces 5/18 (J. Drummond)--a local first; con/rec - 3 at Bitter L. N. W. R. 5/8 (WH+).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE: win/rec - 12 at Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+), 1 in Alamogordo 12/15-3/31--plus 1 at Tularosa 3/22 and 5/8--(FLM), and 3 at Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+); of these, only the Las Cruces record is not unusual. sp/rec - 1 at Williamsburg by 3/1 (DM), and 1 near L. McMillan 5/19 (TH).

MOURNING DOVE: win/rec - 12 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

INCA DOVE: uns/rec - 2 at Williamsburg 3/27-29 (DM), plus 1-2 near Rodeo 12/29--present for 3 months--(RS+), Tularosa 5/8, and at Alamogordo 4/15-5/5 (fLM)--rare in all these areas.

GROUND DOVE: uns/rec - 1-2 at San Simon Cienaga 12/12-18 (RM)--rare in N.M.

BARN OWL: con/rec - 1 at Boones Draw 5/12 (JH+).

SCREECH OWL: con/rec - singles in Sandia Mts. 12/15 (RT+) and n.e. of Roswell 5/17 (TH,WH).

FLAMMULATED OWL: uns/rec - **2 banded at Boones Draw 5/12 (JH+)--only the third eastern plains record for N.M.

ELF OWL: uns/rec - ***1 at Boones Draw 5/12 (JH+)--first record for eastern plains of N.M. sp/rec - 1 calling at Glenwood 4/7 (BM).

BURROWING OWL: win/rec - 3 Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+), 2 near Alamogordo 12/15 (LM+), and small numbers Roswell-Loving 12/6-2/11 (WH+).

LONG-EARED OWL: win/rec - singles near Silver City 12/15 (RF+) and Rodeo Mts. 12/29 (RS+); br/rec - a nest with young at Boones Draw 5/11-14 (JH+) may be the first for the county.

SHORT-EARED OWL: con/rec - singles near Artesia 4/21 and near Loving 1/7-8 and 3/15-17 (WH,PT).

SAW-WHET OWL: con/rec - single birds calling at Cottonwood Gulch 1/12 (AM), and Cedar Spring, Rio Arriba Co. 5/3 (AN).

POOR-WILL: uns/rec - 3 calling near Rodeo 2/26 (RS)--very early.

WHIP-POOR-WILL: uns/rec - singles near Anthony 5/4 (KZ) and at Alamogordo 4/17 (fLM)--rare in lowlands.

LESSER NIGHTHAWKS: uns/rec - *1 near Malaga 12/12 (SW)--first winter report; also 3 at Bitter L. N. W. R. 4/19 and 6 n.e. of Roswell 5/16 (WH+)--these were north of the normal range; finally a bird possibly of this species at Boones Draw 5/11-12 (JH). sp/rec - early arrival at Las Cruces on 4/4 (L&PH).

NIGHTHAWK SP.: uns/rec - *2 at Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+)--extraordinary, probably very late Lessers.

BLACK SWIFT: sp/rec - reported without details at Santa Fe 5/29 (J. Vance) and 2 at El Valle, Taos Co. 5/30 (B. deBuys).

CHIMNEY SWIFT: uns/rec - singles reported at *Albuquerque 5/3 (RT) and *Percha Dam S. P. 5/4 (D&SH); sp/rec - 2 at Ft. Sumner 5/26 (TH), and singles in the Artesia area 5/1 and 5/3 (WH+).

BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD: sp/rec - 1 at Ft. Sumner 5/27; first at Artesia 4/6 (MA+).

COSTA HUMMINGBIRD: sp/rec - 7 males and 3 females in Guadalupe Canyon, Hidalgo Co. 4/24-5/7, with New Mexico's first certain nest found in the last date (BB).

ANNA HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec - 3 at Silver City 12/15 (RF+) and 1 at Alamogordo 4/11 (FLM)--no details on either report.

CALYPTE sp.: uns/rec - a possible **Costa at Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+)--this would be a first winter record if the species is this one.

HUMMINGBIRD sp.: uns/rec - 1 at Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+).

RIVOLI HUMMINGBIRD: uns/rec - 1 at Alamogordo 5/3-4 and another in the Sacramento Mts., Otero Co. in May (FLM)--rare in the area.

COMMON (YELLOW-SHAFTED) FLICKER: con/rec - single birds as follows: Farmington 12/15 (AN+), Espanola 12/30 (BL+), Albuquerque 1/30 and 2/27 (HS), Ft. Sumner 4/26 (WH+), plus 6 Roswell-Loving 12/15-12/30 (HW+).

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER: sp/rec - singles at Ft. Sumner 4/24 and Artesia 4/26; br/rec - pair at nest hole near Artesia 5/16-30 (WH+).

ACORN WOODPECKER: win/rec - 1 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

LEWIS WOODPECKER: win/rec - 1 at Farmington 12/15 (AN+), 61 at Espanola 12/30 (BL+), and 11 at Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+).

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER: uns/rec - *1 (female) of the eastern race near Anthony 4/27 (KZ), and *another (im.) at Roswell 3/11 and 3/19 (MA, WH).

WILLIAMSON SAPSUCKER: sin/rec - singles at Cottonwood Gulch area 1/13 and 1/23 (AM) and Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+). sp/rec - 1 at Zuni 3/1 (AS).

DOWNY WOODPECKER: win/rec - 2 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+) and 1 near Silver City 12/15 (RF+).

HAIRY WOODPECKER: uns/rec - 1 at San Simon Cienaga 12/18 (RM)--rare in lowlands of that area.

NORTHERN THREE-TOED WOODPECKER: uns/rec - 1 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+)--rare in the Zuni Mts.

EASTERN KINGBIRD: sp/rec - singles at Isleta, Bernalillo Co. 5/24 (JD) and Bell L. 5/13 (GS).

CASSIN KINGBIRD: uns/rec - 1 reported without details at San Simon Cienaga 12/10 (RM). sp/rec - singles in the Ft. Sumner area 4/24 and 5/24 (MA,WH) and at Boones Draw 5/12 (JH+).

GREAT-CRESTED FLYCATCHER: sp/rec - *1 at Boones Draw 5/14 (JH).

ASH-THROATED FLYCATCHER: uns/rec - 1 near Alamogordo 3/14-30 (FLM)--no details and exceptionally early if correct.

EASTERN PHOEBE: win/rec - singles at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+), Roswell 12/15 (HW+), and Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+), plus 3 at Rattlesnake Springs 3/24 (WH).

BLACK PHOEBE: uns/rec - singles at Zuni 4/20-5/30 (AS) and near Alameda 2/29 (JP). con/rec - 2 at Espanola 4/19 and 3 5/10 (WS+).

LEAST FLYCATCHER: sp/rec - 3 netted at Boones Draw 5/11-14 (JH+).

WILLOW FLYCATCHER: sp/rec - 1-2 singing birds at Ft. Sumner 5/25, Artesia 5/18, and L. McMillan area 5/19-20 (WH+).

HAMMOND FLYCATCHER: sp/rec - 2 netted at Boones Draw 5/11 (JH+).

GRAY FLYCATCHER: uns/rec - *1 observed at L. McMillan 4/6 (WH+)--rare eastward in N.H.

EMPIDONAX SP.: win/rec - a *Dusky-like bird at Glenwood 12/29 (JH)--rare in winter.

VERMILION FLYCATCHER: uns/rec - a *male at Boones Draw 5/12-13 (JH)--rare in the area; also 1 at San Simon Cienega 12/10 (RM).

VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW: uns/rec - *male at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+)--very rare in winter in N.H.

TREE SWALLOW: win/rec - 1 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+).

BANK SWALLOW: uns/rec - 1 near Evans L. 2/25 (RF) was very early. sp/rec - 3+ at Zuni 5/18-20 (AS), and 22 Roswell-Loving 4/14-5/30.

PURPLE MARTIN: uns/rec - *7 in Albuquerque 5/15 (RT), several at Percha Dam S. P. 5/4 (D&SH), 1 at Holloman L. 4/26 (FLM), and 1 south of Artesia 5/20 (WH)--rare in lowlands.

BLUE JAY: con/rec - 2+ at Ft. Sumner 1/13-4/26 (WH+), 14 near Roswell 12/15 (HW+), and 1-2 in Artesia 1/28-5/12 (WH+).

SCRUB JAY: con/rec - a few in the Pecos Valley (Ft. Sumner-Roswell) 12/9-5/14 (WH+).

BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE: con/rec - 300 at Espanola 5/10, showing a further increase from past years, i.e. 50 in 5/1977, 100 in 5/1978, and 125 in 5/1979 (WS+).

COMMON RAVEN: con/rec - 2+ S. of Montoya 3/6 (JH), up to 10 at Ft. Sumner 1/13 and 15 and 1 4/24-5/26, and 1 n.e. of Roswell 2/8 (WH+).

WHITE-NECKED RAVEN: win/rec - 9 n.e. of Roswell 2/7 (WH+), 45 near Glenwood 12/29, and 60+ apparently from a roost near Silver City 1/31 (JH+). br/rec - birds at nests in the Roswell-Artesia area as early as 4/4, but eggs not verified until 5/8 (WH+).

COMMON CROW: uns/rec - 18 near Logan 3/5 (JH,JV), plus singles near Mule Creek 4/22 (JH) and 1 near Silver City 12/15 (RF+)--rare in these areas. con/rec - 2 at Farmington 5/17--late (AN+), 17 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), and 19--plus 2 nests--in the Gila Valley 5/3 (RF+).

PINYON JAY: win/rec - 35 Glenwood area 12/29 (JH+), 94 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+), 8 Silver City 12/15 (RF+), and 1 Carlsbad Caverns N. P. 12/27 (RW+). br/rec - 2 building nests in Sandia Mts. 3/2 (HS).

CLARK NUTCRACKER: win/rec - 19 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+) and 1 at Glenwood 12/29 (JH).

PYGMY NUTHATCH: uns/rec - 1 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+)--rare in lowlands.

BROWN CREEPER: win/rec - singles near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+) and Loving 12/22 (SW+).

MOUNTAIN CHICKADEE: win/rec - 5 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+).

PLAIN TITMOUSE: win/rec - 3 near Cliff (RF+) and 14 in the Peloncillo Mts. near Rodeo (RS+) 12/29; numbers down in San Cristobal area in winter (WH).

VERDIN: con/rec - 2 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+) and 1 at Tularosa 4/2-8 (FLM).

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH: con/rec - 1-2 at Ft. Sumner 1/13 and 3/20 (WH+)- these were the only records for the Pecos Valley.

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH: win/rec - numbers up near San Cristobal 12/5-2/27 (WH), 7 in the Zuni Mts. near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), 99 in the Sandia Mts. 12/15 (RT+), 1 near Roswell 12/15 (HW+), and 2 near Glenwood 12/29 (JH+). sp/rec - Farmington 5/5 and 5/15 (AN).

DIPPER: win/rec - 1 at Espanola 12/30+ (BL+). uns/rec - singles in Sandia Mts. 12/15 and 3/7 (RT+), 2 near Luna 1/1-20 (DC), and 1 on the Sacramento River, Sacramento Mts. 3/7 (FLM)--rare in these areas.

HOUSE WREN: win/rec - singles at Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+), *Glenwood 12/29 (JH+), and near Anthony all winter (KZ) plus 7 in the Carlsbad area 12/3-2/14 (TH+). sp/rec - earliest were 5 in the Carlsbad area 3/15-30 (WH+).

WINTER WREN: win/rec - singles near Espanola in December (D&SH), Glenwood 12/29 (JH+), and at Carlsbad Caverns 12/27 (RW+). uns/rec - 7 birds reported at Ft. Sumner 5/26, Roswell area 5/8-9, and Artesia 5/19 (WH+)--very late occurrences.

BEWICK WREN: sp/rec - at Zuni 3/30 (AS), 2 at Ute Lake area 3/5 (JH,JV), and 1 in Loving 5/23 (MRA).

LONG-BILLED MARSH WREN: sp/rec - last at Zuni 4/20 (AS).

SHORT-BILLED MARSH WREN: win/rec - 10 in Roswell vicinity 12/15 (HW+) was high.

CANYON WREN: win/rec - 4 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+); sp/rec - 1 at L. McMillan 3/17-5/3 (WH+).

MOCKINGBIRD: win/rec - 1 at Farmington 12/15 and 1/16 (AN+), 3 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), 2 Albuquerque through winter (HS+), and 1-2 Sandia Mts. 12/15-2/25 (RT+).

BROWN THRASHER: win/rec - 1 Santa Fe 12/29 (fWS); sp/rec - 1 near Anthony 5/4 (KZ).

BENDIRE THRASHER: uns/rec - 1 near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+)--rare in winter.

CURVE-BILLED THRASHER: con/rec - 2 at Monticello, Sandia Mts. 4/18 (HS+), 1 Ft. Sumner 5/26 (WH+), 6 in Glenwood area 12/29 (JH+), and 4 Artesia-Loving 12/2-2/3 (WH+).

CRISSAL THRASHER: uns/rec - 1 south of Ft. Sumner 4/24 (WH) was north of usual range in the Pecos Valley.

SAGE THRASHER: win/rec - 1 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), 10 Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+), 10 Santa Fe-Moriarty, Torrance Co., 2/6 (WS), and 2 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+). sp/rec - singles at Ute L. 3/4-5 and s. of Montoya 3/6 (JH,JV); only 4 Roswell-Loving 3/4-15 (WH+).

AMERICAN ROBIN: con/rec - relatively few in the Pecos Valley (Ft. Sumner-Loving) in the period (WH+).

VARIED THRUSH: uns/rec - **1 near Roswell 4/18 (A. Williams)--second verified N.M. record.

SWAINSON THRUSH: sp/rec - 1-2 in the Farmington area *5/14-17 (AN+) and near Anthony 5/17 (fKZ).

EASTERN BLUEBIRD: con/rec - reported only from the Pecos Valley vicinity, including 8 at Roswell 12/15 (HW+) and 1 n.e. of there 4/3, 2 at Loving 4/14, and 1-2 at Rattlesnake Spring 3/29-5/26 (WH+); also 12 at Ft. Sumner 1/13 and singles on 3/20 and 4/26, plus 2 im. and 1 ad. there 5/25-27 (MA,PT).

WESTERN BLUEBIRD: win/rec - widespread northward, and occurring southward in good numbers to Glenwood (JH+), Silver City (RF+), and Las Cruces (TM+); less numerous in the Alamogordo vicinity (LM+), while in the Pecos Valley a few at Roswell 12/15-3/19 (HW+).

MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD: win/rec - status similar to Western Bluebird, but southerly numbers smaller and none in the Pecos Valley.

TOWNSEND SOLITAIRE: win/rec - 3 at Roswell 12/15 (HW+)--plus 1-4 there 1/26 and 3/13-19 (WH+).

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER: uns/rec - *1 near Roswell 12/8 (PT)--rare in winter in N.M. sp/rec - at Zuni 4/26 (AS) and 1 at El Morro Nat. Mon., Valencia Co., 5/7 (AM).

BLACK-TAILED GNATCATCHER: uns/rec - singles reported at Three Rivers, Otero Co., 3/22 (FLM) and n.e. of *Roswell 5/19 (MA)--these would be range extensions if correction--to BRC.

GNATCATCHER SP: sin/rec - singles near Roswell 12/15 (HW+), *Alamogordo 12/15 (LM+), and at *Carlsbad Caverns N. P. 12/27 (RW+), plus *4 Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+).

GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET: win/rec - 6 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET: win/rec - 11 near Farmington 12/15 (AN+) and 10 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

SPRAGUE PIPIT: uns/rec - singles at *Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+) and near *Artesia 12/10--also at Loving 3/15 (WH)--rare in winter/spring in N.M.

CEDAR WAXWING: con/rec - winter reports include Farmington (AN+), Santa Fe (FRS), Sandia Mts. (RT+), Glenwood (JH+), Las Cruces (TM+), and Loving (SW+); spring records include Espanola (WS), Boones Draw (JH+), and Roswell area (WH+).

PHAINOPEPLA: sp/rec - several pairs at Sitting Bull Falls 5/30 (JD) and 1 bird in Slaughter Canyon 3/24 (WH) for the only reports from the Guadalupe Mts. (or s.e. N.M.).

NORTHERN SHRIKE: uns/rec - singles at *Pleasanton 1/2 (JE,RSk) *White Oaks 1/4 (VG), and *L. McMillan 12/9 (WH)--these were south of the usual range. win/rec - 1 at Bosque N. W. R. 1/18-19 (RT).

COMMON STARLING: win/rec - 30 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

HUTTON VIREO: uns/rec - *1 in the Peloncillo Mts. near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+)--rarely reported in N.M. in winter.

BELL VIREO: con/rec - 1 at Percha Dam S. P., Sierra Co., 5/22 (DM).

GRAY VIREO: sp/rec - singles at Pleasanton 4/22--singing bird--(JH), and at Gila Valley 5/3 (RF+), Sitting Bull Falls--singing bird--5/30 (JD).

SOLITARY VIREO: uns/rec - *1 plumbeus-type at Boones Draw 5/11-14 (JH+) and 1-2 in the Roswell area 5/7-13--plus 2 cassinii-type at Ft. Sumner 5/26 (WH+).

BLACK AND WHITE WARBLER: sp/rec - 2 at Boones Draw 5/14 (JH+), and singles 40 mi. e. Roswell 4/22 and near Artesia 5/1-12 (WH+).

TENNESSEE WARBLER: uns/rec - 2 at Farmington 5/17 (fAN)--first local record; also 1 near Alameda 5/19 (RT+). sp/rec - 6+ Boones Draw 5/13-14 (JH+) and singles n.e. of Roswell 5/13 and near Artesia 4/21-22 (WH+).

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER: sp/rec - 1 at Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+), and 19 Ft. Sumner-Artesia 4/20-5/13 (WH+).

NASHVILLE WARBLER: sp/rec - singles at Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+), Ft. Sumner 4/24, Bitter Lake N. W. R. 5/9, Artesia 4/22, and Loving 5/21, plus two at L. McMillan 5/19 (WH+).

VIRGINIA WARBLER: sp/rec - 3 at Boones Draw 5/11-14 (JH+) and 4 Ft. Sumner-L. McMillan 4/24-5/17 (WH+).

LUCY WARBLER: uns/rec - 1 without details near Alamogordo 5/3 (FLM)--rare in that area.

NORTHERN PARULA WARBLER: uns/rec - 1 banded at Cottonwood Gulch 5/23 (AM); sp/rec - 1 near Artesia 4/20 (WH).

OLIVE WARBLER: win/rec - *3 near Glenwood 12/29 (RSk, K. Skaggs).

YELLOW WARBLER: sp/rec - 3+ Boones Draw 5/11 (JH+) and 25+ Ft. Sumner-Rattlesnake Springs 5/10-27 (WH+).

YELLOW-RUMPED (MYRTLE) WARBLER: win/rec - 8 in the Carlsbad area 12/4-1/9 and 2 at Roswell 1/26 and 2/6 (WH+). sp/rec - 4 Farmington 5/17 (AN+), 1 near Espanola 5/10 (WS), 13 Ft. Sumner 4/26 (WH+), 1-2 near Anthony 4/27 and 5/4 (KZ), 1 at Alamogordo 5/7-8 (FLM), and 42 Roswell-Rattlesnake Springs 3/24-5/19 (WH+).

YELLOW-RUMPED (AUDUBON) WARBLER: win/rec - 70 Farmington area 12/15 (AN+) and 13 Espanola 12/30 (BL+). sp/rec - 536 Farmington 5/17 (AN+), fairly common at Boones Draw 5/11 (JH+), and 20+ at Bell L. 5/13 (GS).

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER: sp/rec - 1 at Bell Lake 5/13 (GS).

BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER: sp/rec - singles at Alamogordo 4/13 (FLM) and L. McMillan 5/1 (WH+).

TOWNSEND WARBLER: sp/rec - singles at Boones Draw 5/13 (C. A. Hundertmark) and Ft. Sumner 4/26, plus 5 near Artesia 4/20-26 (WH+).

BLACKPOLL WARBLER: uns/rec - a female near Farmington 5/17 (AN+)--first for the county. sp/rec - banded at Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+).

PALM WARBLER: uns/rec - **1 at Albuquerque 5/17 (D&SH)--rare in N.M.

OVENBIRD: sp/rec - singles near Anthony 5/17 (fkZ) and near Artesia 4/21-28 (PT+).

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH: sp/rec - 5 at Bell L. 5/13 (GS), plus singles near Alameda 5/19 (RT+), Anthony 5/17 (fkZ), Alamogordo 5/3-4 (fLM), and Rattlesnake Springs 5/10 (WH+).

LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH: uns/rec - **1 at Cienaga Creek, Sandia Mts. 4/6-14 (M. L. Arthur+)--first state record--to BRC.

MACGILLIVRAY WARBLER: sp/rec - 6+ at Boones Draw 5/11-14 (JH+) and 2 at L. McMillan 5/2 (WH+).

COMMON YELLOWTHROAT: sp/rec - 2 Boones Draw 5/14 (JH+).

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT: sp/rec - 1 Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+).

WILSON WARBLER: uns/rec - *1 at Carlsbad Caverns 12/27 (RW+)--very rare in winter in N.M.; also 1 at Alamogordo 3/14 (fLM)--very early if correct.

AMERICAN REDSTART: sp/rec - singles at Ft. Sumner 5/25-26 (WH,PT), near Anthony 4/30 (KZ), and near Artesia 5/19 (WH).

BOBOLINK: sp/rec - male singing n.e. of Roswell 5/17 (WH).

EASTERN MEADOWLARK: win/rec - 1 at Glenwood 12/29 (JH+), 143 (?) at Roswell 12/15 (HW+), 22 near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), 4 at Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+), and 6 in the Carlsbad area 12/22-2/1 (SW+).
sp/rec - 30 at Glenwood 3/10 (BM).

WESTERN MEADOWLARK: win/rec - 4 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD: win/rec - 20 at Roswell 12/15 (HW+), 42 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+), 2 at San Simon Cienaga 1/1 (RM), and 2 at Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+).

RUSTY BLACKBIRD: con/rec - 1 at Rattlesnake Springs 3/24 (WH) and **2 at Bell L. 12/2 and earlier (D&SH).

BREWER BLACKBIRD: win/rec - 78 Farmington 12/15 (AN+), 5 Espanola 12/30 (BL+), 501,315 Roswell 12/15 (HW+), 215 near Cliff 12/29 (RF+), 984 near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), and 14,500 Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/50 (JC+).

GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE: win/rec - 35 Kirtland 1/3-5 (CS), 2-5 Bosque N. W. R. 12/3-1/20 (RT+), common at Artesia in December and January--but not in February (WH+), and 11 near Loving 12/22 (SW+). sp/rec - 2 at La Cienaga, Santa Fe Co., 4/4 (JH), 1 at Ft. Sumner 5/26 (WH+), and 11 at Cliff 4/20 (JH).

COMMON GRACKLE: win/rec - 3 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL) and 1 without details at Deming, Luna Co., 2/3 (WS). uns/rec - 4+ at Zuni 4/29-5/30 (AS)--first for the area. sp/rec - 2 at Farmington on 4/20 and 7 on 5/17 (AN+), 6 at Espanola 4/19 and 36 on 5/10 (WS+), first at Santa Fe, 1 on 4/14 (JH), and fairly common Ft. Sumner 4/24-5/30 (WH+). (Note: first summered at Farmington in 1978, not 1979--fAN).

ORCHARD ORIOLE: sp/rec - 7 at Rattlesnake Springs 5/10 (WH+).

HOODED ORIOLE: sp/rec - 2 near Alamogordo 5/3-4 and 5/16 (fLM).

SCOTT ORIOLE: sp/rec - 1 at Farmington 5/17 (AN+).

NORTHERN (BALTIMORE) ORIOLE: uns/rec - 2 reported without details near Alamogordo 5/8 (fLM).

BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD: win/rec - 2650 at Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+), plus smaller numbers in December at Bosque N. W. R. (DL+), Roswell (HW+), Las Cruces (TM+), and Alamogordo (LM+).

WESTERN Tanager: sp/rec - family common Boones Draw 5/11 (JH+) and Pecos Valley (WH+).

SUMMER Tanager: uns/rec - 13 in the Ft. Sumner area 5/25-27 and 6 n.e. of Roswell 5/13-19 (WH+)--these were north of the known regular range; also a *bird possibly of this species at Farmington 5/11 (AN). sp/rec - **1 of the eastern race banded at Boones Draw 5/15 (GS) and 1 seen at Alamogordo 5/6 (fLM).

CARDINAL: uns/rec - 1 at Roswell mid-December (HW+)--very rare in the area; also singles at San Simon Cienega 1/1 (RM) and 1 e. of Antelope Wells, Hidalgo Co. 5/9 (DC+).

PYRRHULOXIA: win/rec - 1 at Silver City 12/15 (RF+), 15 near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), 2 at Roswell 12/15 (HW+), and 43 at Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+). uns/rec - singles n.e. of Roswell 4/17 (WH+) and near Cliff 12/28 (JE)--these were north of the usual range; also 1-2 at Bosque, N. W. R. 5/10 (JD), near Roswell 5/8 (WH+), and at Tularosa 4/1 (fLM).

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK: sp/rec - 1-2 at La Cueva, Sandoval Co., 5/19 (M. Swain), Bayard 5/10 (RF), Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+), and at Alamogordo 5/3 (fLM).

BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK: sp/rec - 2+ Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+).

BLUE GROSBEAK: sp/rec - 2+ Boones Draw 5/12 (JH+).

INDIGO BUNTING: sp/rec - 9 at L. McMillan 5/11-12 (WH+), plus singles near Anthony 4/30 and 5/4 (KZ) and at Capitan 5/31 (CM).

LAZULI BUNTING: sp/rec - 10 at L. McMillan 5/4-21 (WH+).

VARIED BUNTING: sp/rec - 2 at Rattlesnake Springs 5/30 (JD).

PAINTED BUNTING: uns/rec - 2 n.e. of Roswell 5/17 (WH+) were north of the usual range.

EVENING GROSBEAK: win/rec - 9 Farmington 12/15--plus 6 on 5/17 (AN+) and 10 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+).

CASSIN FINCH: win/rec - 7 Espanola 12/30 (BL+), 40 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), 34 Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+), 1 Bosque N. W. R. 1/18 (RT), 20 Glenwood 12/29 (JH+), 7 Silver City 12/15 (RF+), 50 White Oaks 1/9 (VG), and 2 Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+). sp/rec - 2 Farmington 5/17 (AN+), 6+ s. of Montoya 3/6 (JH), and 3 Alamogordo 4/3-27 (FLM).

HOUSE FINCH: con/rec - 6 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+), fairly common s. of Montoya 3/6 (JH), and 6 at Bell L. 5/13 (GS); numbers dipped in December-January in the lower Pecos Valley, rising in February (WH+).

PINE GROSBEAK: win/rec - San Cristobal 12/7-2/27--plus others to 4/15 (WHK), 1 at Santa Fe 12/29 (WS+), and 20 in the Sandia Mts. 12/15 (RT+). uns/rec - 2 near Bluewater Lake 12/15 (AM+)--these were the first for the Zuni Mts.

BROWN-CAPPED ROSY FINCH: win/rec - present in the Sandia Mts. in early January (D&SH).

PINE SISKIN: con/rec - fairly common near Montoya 3/6 (JH), heard at Boones Draw 5/11-14 (JH+), and present in generally small numbers at Ft. Sumner-Loving through 5/18 (WH+).

LESSER GOLDFINCH: 5 at Kirtland 2/10 (CS), 10 near Cliff 12/29, 15 at Silver City 12/15 (RF+), up to 12 at San Simon Cienega 12/10-1/1 (RM), and 21 at Loving 12/3 and 1/10 (WH+).

RED CROSSBILL: br/rec - adult feeding a fledgling at Cedar Spring, Carson National Forest, Rio Arriba Co., (AN). win/rec - 39 in the Zuni Mts. near Thoreau 12/15 (AN+).

GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE: uns/rec - 1 at Glenwood 12/29 (JH+) was a local first for winter.

RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE: win/rec - 2 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+); sp/rec - 1 near Montoya 3/6 (JH).

BROWN TOWHEE: win/rec - 7 at L. McMillan 12/5 and 3/17 (WH+); sp/rec - 2 near Montoya 3/6 (JH).

ABERT TOWHEE: uns/rec - *1 n. of Rodeo 1/1 (RM)--to BRC. Correction: 2 reported at San Simon Cienega (RM, in American Birds 34 (3): 297, 1980) 1/2/80 were actually 1/2/79.

LARK BUNTING: win/rec - 1 at Albuquerque (JH+) and 3382 near Rodeo (RS+) 12/29. sp/rec - 2+ at Conchas L. 3/3 and 2+ at Ute L. 3/4-5 (JH, JV).

SAVANNAH SPARROW: uns/rec - 25 near Glenwood 12/29 (JE) were a local winter first.

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW: uns/rec - 1 at Carlsbad Caverns N. P. 12/27 (RW+).

VESPER SPARROW: uns/rec - 50 near Glenwood 12/29 (JE) were a local winter first; also 1 at Ft. Sumner 1/13 (WH).

RUFOUS-CROWNED SPARROW: uns/rec - 3 without details at Lakes Avalon-McMillan 12/30 (JC+). sp/rec - 2 s.w. of Seven Rivers, Eddy Co. 5/19 (WH+).

CASSIN SPARROW: uns/rec - 1 at San Simon Cienaga 12/10 (RM), 2 near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), and *1 near Loving 12/22 (WH)--rare in N.M. in winter. sp/rec - singing birds in the Loving area as early as 1/15-4/6 (WH+).

BLACK-THROATED SPARROW: win/rec - 3 near Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+) and 1 1/16-2/25 (HS); also small numbers in the Roswell-Loving area (WH+).

SAGE SPARROW: win/rec - 153 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+), 2 near Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), and a few Roswell-Loving in December (WH+).
sp/rec - 6 n.e. of Roswell 3/4 and 1 at L. McMillan 3/5 and 3/16 (WH+).

DARK-EYED (OREGON) JUNCO: sp/rec - last was 1 n.e. of Roswell 5/13; otherwise, 13 Ft. Sumner-Artesia during winter (WH+).

GRAY-HEADED JUNCO: win/rec - 1 near Roswell 12/18, plus small numbers from there to Loving in spring, last being 2 n.e. of Roswell 5/19 (WH+).

YELLOW-EYED JUNCO: uns/rec - *1 reported at Clanton Canyon, Hidalgo Co. 12/23 (DH)--undocumented in the Peloncillo Mts.--to BRC.

CHIPPING SPARROW: win/rec - 3 on the w. side of the Sandia Mts. 1/16 and 7 on 2/3 (HS), 25 at Ft. Sumner 1/13-15 (TH,WH), 17 near Glenwood 12/29 (JH+) and 18 at Alamogordo 1/1 and later (LM).

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW: uns/rec - 12 without details in the Gila Valley 5/3 (RF+).

BREWER SPARROW: uns/rec - 2 Albuquerque area 12/29 (JK+) and 1 on 1/27 (HS), plus 100 at Glenwood 12/29 (JE)--rare in these areas in winter. sp/rec - 2+ at Boones Draw 5/12 (JH+).

FIELD SPARROW: con/rec - 10 in the Carlsbad area 12/22-3/24, plus singles at Loving 4/15 and L. McMillan 5/20 (WH+).

BLACK-CHINNED SPARROW: win/rec - 1 near Glenwood (JH+) and 5 near Cliff (RF+) 12/29.

LARK SPARROW: win/rec - 1-3 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+), Silver City 12/15 (RF+), Rodeo 12/29 (RS+), Las Cruces 12/15 (TM+), Alamogordo 12/15 (LM+), and White Oaks 1/9 (VG). uns/rec - 2 reported without details at Las Vegas 12/16 (JG+).

WHITE-THROATED SPARROW: sp/rec - 4 in the Gila Valley 5/3 (RF+) and 1 near Anthony 5/4 (KZ).

HARRIS SPARROW: win/rec - 1 im. at Kirtland 2/26 (CS).

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW: win/rec - 4 near Thoreau 12/15 (AM+); sp/rec - 2+ near Montoya 3/6, 2+ Boones Draw 5/13 (JH+), and 2 at Bell L. 5/13 (GS).

GOLDEN-CROWNED SPARROW: win/rec - 1 at Glenwood 2/14--and to 3/13--(R. Nelson). uns/rec - 1 at Kirtland 4/20 (CS) was the second local record; sp/rec - *1 ad. on the w. side of the Sandia Mts. 4/13 (HS).

FOX SPARROW: uns/rec - 17 (?) Roswell area 12/15 (HW+)--high number if correct; also singles in the *Sandia Mts. 12/6 and 2/2 (HS). win/rec - 1 at San Simon Cienaga 12/10 (RM).

LINCOLN SPARROW: un/srec - 2 at Albuquerque 12/29 (JK+)--n. of the usual winter range; also 212 Glenwood area 12/29--high for winter-- (JH+) and to 20 at San Simon Cienaga 12/10-1/1 (RM).

SWAMP SPARROW: win/rec - 1-2 at San Simon Cienaga 12/10-18 (RM).

SONG SPARROW: sp/rec - late dates included Loving 4/14, Bitter Lake N. W. R. 4/18 (WH+), Zuni 4/20 (AS), and Farmington 5/17 (AN+).

CHESTNUT-COLLARED LONGSPUR: win/rec - 705 at Bosque N. W. R. 12/22 (DL+). sp/rec - small numbers Roswell-L. McMillan to 4/19 (WH+).

SNOW BUNTING: uns/rec - *33 reported near Roswell 12/15 (SW+)-- details to BRC.