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Third Report of the North Dakota Bird Records Committee: 2004-2005

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ABSTRACT -- Since 1979, North Dakota's bird records committee has collected, evaluated, and archived documentations of rare bird occurrences in the state. In 2004 and 2005, this committee resolved 189 rare bird records. On the basis of these record reviews, six species were added to the North Dakota state bird list: mottled duck (*Anas fulvigula*), yellow-billed loon (*Gavia adamsii*), white-tailed kite (*Elanus leucurus*), little stint (*Calidris minuta*), glaucous-winged gull (*Larus glaucescens*), and great black-backed gull (*Larus marinus*). Four species were added to the list of nesting species within the state: snowy egret (*Egretta thula*), tricolored heron (*Egretta tricolor*), violet-green swallow (*Tachycineta thalassina*), and house finch (*Carpodacus mexicanus*). Based on the records reviewed, we recommend changes in the recognized status of 27 avian species.

Keywords: checklist, North Dakota, Rare Bird Committee, status.

In 1979 the North Dakota Natural Science Society (now known as the Great Plains Natural Science Society) formed the North Dakota Ornithological Records Committee (now known as North Dakota Birding Society's Bird Records Committee) to evaluate and archive documentation of rare bird sightings, and to periodically revise the official state bird list. Two previous publications, Svingen and Martin (2003) and Svingen and Martin (2005), summarized committee actions from 1981 to 2003. Herein, we summarize committee actions in 2004 and 2005.

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METHODS

The North Dakota Birding Society's Bird Records Committee reviewed evidence submitted by observers to document the occurrence of birds that are rare in North Dakota. Typical evidence included a rare bird documentation form, which provided a detailed description of the bird; as well as details on the location, duration, and conditions of the sighting. In some cases, drawings, photographs, or videotapes were submitted as supplementary or primary evidence.

During the review of records, five committee members voted whether or not the submitted evidence was sufficient to establish the record as valid. Species reviewed were those that had been reported 15 times or fewer in North Dakota (i.e., rare species) or those that were significantly out-of-place within the state or out-of-season (i.e., spatially or temporally rare). For bird species not already accepted as breeders within North Dakota, the committee also reviewed records supported by such evidence.

In accordance with the committee's bylaws, a record was accepted if it received four or five yea votes and rejected if it received four or five nay votes. Unresolved records were recirculated to committee members up to three times. Records remaining unresolved after four rounds of voting were rejected. No abstentions were allowed, though committee members could recuse themselves; in such cases, an alternative voting member evaluated and voted on that specific record.

When compiling our paper, we reviewed relevant issues of *American Birds*, *National Audubon Society Field Notes*, and *North American Birds* as well as the archives of the North Dakota Bird Discussion group (<http://listserv.nodak.edu/archives/nd-birds.html>) for additional information. Data gleaned from these sources included the span of dates a bird was present and how many previous times the species had been found in the state. Because the committee has not yet evaluated all of these previous sightings, we referred to these as "reports" or "sightings". We reserved the term "accepted record" to indicate a sighting that had been documented, reviewed, and found acceptable by the committee.

The following account lists each accepted record, along with details such as date and location. At the end of each account, the record's tracking number is provided in parenthesis, followed by the results of the committee votes. First round votes are indicated by "A", second round by "B", third round by "C", and fourth round by "D". The number of yea votes is followed by the number of nay votes. For example, the entry (05-40. A:5/0) indicates that this was the 40th record reviewed in 2005, and that in the first round of voting, the documentation received five yea and zero nay votes for acceptance. Observer(s) submitting the documentation are listed alphabetically. Bird taxonomy and nomenclature follows the American Ornithologists' Union (2007) checklist. Report format follows that of Svingen and Martin (2005). In making changes to the state bird list, we followed the criteria used by Faanes and Stewart (1982) and reiterated by Svingen and Martin (2003).

In 2004 and 2005 the North Dakota Birding Society's Bird Records Committee included: Corey D. Ellingson (Voting Member from January 2004 to October 2005), Lawrence D. Igl (Voting Member from January 2004 to October 2004), David O. Lambeth (Voting Member), Ron E. Martin (Chairperson), Jill Schaffer (Voting Member from November 2004), and Dan Svingen (Secretary). H. Clark Talkington served as an alternate voting member.

RESULTS and DISCUSSION

The North Dakota Birding Society's Bird Records Committee resolved 93 records in 2004 and 96 records in 2005. Acceptance rates were considerably higher in 2004 and 2005 than in earlier time periods (Table 1). This is likely due to both the increased thoroughness of documentations received since the committee was reactivated (Svingen and Martin 2003), as well as increased use of photographs.

As a result of the committee's review, six species were added to the North Dakota state bird list: mottled duck (*Anas fulvigula*), yellow-billed loon (*Gavia adamsii*), white-tailed kite (*Elanus leucurus*), little stint (*Calidris minuta*), glaucous-winged gull (*Larus glaucoescens*), and great black-backed gull (*Larus marinus*). Snowy egret (*Egretta thula*), tricolored heron (*Egretta tricolor*), violet-green swallow (*Tachycineta thalassina*), and house finch (*Carpodacus mexicanus*) were established as breeding species within the state. Based on the records reviewed in 2004 and 2005, we recommend changes in the recognized status of 27 avian species.

Table 1. Number of records resolved, accepted, and rejected by the North Dakota Birding Society's Bird Records Committee in 2004 and 2005 compared to earlier time periods.

Time period	No. records resolved	No. records accepted (%)	No. records rejected (%)
1981 through 2001 ¹	127	107 (84%)	20 (16%)
2002 ²	97	76 (78%)	21 (22%)
2003 ²	105	86 (82%)	19 (18%)
2004 ³	93	89 (96%)	4 (4%)
2005 ³	96	91 (95%)	5 (5%)
TOTAL	518	449 (87%)	69 (13%)

¹Svingen and Martin 2003.

²Svingen and Martin 2005.

³This paper.

Accepted Records

BRANT (*Branta bernicla*). An "Atlantic" brant was photographed in McHenry County on 2 October 2004. There have been approximately 14 reports of this species in North Dakota, but few have been documented. (05-30. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

TRUMPETER SWAN (*Cygnus buccinator*). A pair of trumpeter swans was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 4 November 2004. (05-50. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

TRUMPETER SWAN. A trumpeter swan was photographed at Chain Lake, Ramsey County on or about 27 June 1989. Apparently two birds were present on 27 June, whereas five were present on both 30 July and 12 August 1989 (David O. Lambeth personal communication, Ron E. Martin unpublished data). (05-25. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

TRUMPETER SWAN. One adult and one immature trumpeter swan were on Devils Lake near Minnewaukan, Benson County on 13 November 2004. (05-52. A:4/1). Eve E. Freeberg.

TRUMPETER SWAN. Two trumpeter swans were in Sioux County on 1 April 2004. (04-69. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

TRUMPETER SWAN. An adult trumpeter swan with an injured wing was photographed at the sugar beet factory wastewater lagoons in Hillsboro, Traill County on 6 June 2004 and was present until at least 2 July 2004. (04-90. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

MOTTLED DUCK (*Anas fulvigula*). A male mottled duck was photographed near Kelly's Slough National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), Grand Forks County during its 16 to 21 April 2003 stay. This bird provided the first state record in North Dakota. (04-70. A:4/1). David O. Lambeth, Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

GARGANEY (*Anas querquedula*). A male garganey was near Bismarck, Burleigh County on 12 and 13 May 1990. Photographs were published in *American Birds* 44(3):378 and in *North Dakota Outdoors* 53(1):18-19. This is the earlier of the two records now accepted for this species in North Dakota (see record #93-17, Svingen and Martin 2003). (04-47. A:5/0). Dave Angell.

HARLEQUIN DUCK (*Histrionicus histrionicus*). A female or immature male harlequin duck was at Kelly's Slough NWR, Grand Forks County from 29

September to 11 October 1987, providing the state's third accepted record. A photograph of this bird was published in *American Birds* 42(1):94. (04-35. A:4/1). David O. Lambeth.

SURF SCOTER (*Melanitta perspicillata*). A female surf scoter was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 14 and 15 April 2005. This or another similar individual was seen at the same location on 4 May 2005. There are few spring records for this species in North Dakota. (05-78. A:4/1). Eve E. Freeberg.

BLACK SCOTER (*Melanitta nigra*). A female or immature male black scoter was photographed at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 3 November 1979. This species has been reported in North Dakota about 20 times, mostly in the autumn. (05-42. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

BLACK SCOTER. A female or immature male black scoter was photographed at Upper Souris NWR, Renville County on 11 November 1983. (05-43. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

BLACK SCOTER. An adult male black scoter was photographed at Devils Lake, Ramsey County on 17 October 1987. (05-40. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

BLACK SCOTER. A black scoter was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 16 October 1993. (05-41. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

BLACK SCOTER. A female or immature male black scoter was photographed at the Minot sewage lagoons, Ward County on 16 October 2002. (04-02. A:5/0). Steve Easley, Wayne Easley, Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

LONG-TAILED DUCK (*Clangula hyemalis*). A male long-tailed duck was at the Minot sewage lagoons, Ward County from 23 to 25 October 1981. (05-73. A:3/2, B:3/2, C: 4/1). Gordon B. Berkey.

PACIFIC LOON (*Gavia pacifica*). A Pacific loon was photographed at Kelly's Slough NWR, Grand Forks County; the bird was present from 23 to 25 July 1995. (05-21. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

PACIFIC LOON. A juvenile Pacific loon was at Mirror Lake in Hettinger, Adams County on 18 October 2002. (04-15. A:5/0). Jack Lefor, Dan Svingen.

PACIFIC LOON. A juvenile Pacific loon was photographed at Cottonwood Lake, Williams County on 24 October 2003. This is the fourth accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (05-31. A:3/2. B:4/1). Jack Lefor.

YELLOW-BILLED LOON (*Gavia adamsii*). A juvenile yellow-billed loon was in Benson County near Minnewaukan from 1 to 13 November 2004. This is the first accepted record of this species from North Dakota. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 59(1):100. (05-33. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth, Ron E. Martin, Peder H. Svingen.

SNOWY EGRET (*Egretta thula*). A nestling snowy egret at Minnewaukan Flats, Benson County on 28 June 1987 provided the first evidence of breeding for this species in North Dakota. A photograph of this bird was published in *American Birds* 41(5):1385. (04-46. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). David O. Lambeth.

TRICOLORED HERON (*Egretta tricolor*). North Dakota's first nesting record and second accepted record of tricolored heron was provided by a single bird and nest with four eggs discovered on 30 July 1978 at Long Lake NWR, Burleigh County. Details were published in *The Prairie Naturalist* 11:93-95. (04-33. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). Rodney A. Schmidt.

GREEN HERON (*Butorides virescens*). A green heron was found in the western half of North Dakota at the Tesoro Oil Refinery, Mandan, Morton County on 25 May 2004. Western records of green herons are rare in the state. (04-91. A:5/0). H. Clark Talkington.

WHITE IBIS (*Eudocimus albus*). A white ibis was near Lake Josephine, Kidder County on 20 June 1995. Additional details were published in *The Prairie Naturalist* 28:141-142. Faanes and Stewart (1982) considered this species accidental in spring, evidently based on an undocumented sighting by Ann Gammel at J. Clark Salyer NWR on 5 August 1954. (04-29. A:5/0). Jennifer W. Marlow.

WHITE IBIS. An adult, or near-adult, white ibis was photographed during its 16 to 25 April 2005 stay at a small wetland along ND Highway 3, approximately 15 miles north of Steele, Kidder County. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 59(3):454. (05-44. A:5/0). Bob Freeberg, David O. Lambeth, Dan Svingen.

WHITE-FACED IBIS (*Plegadis chihi*). Written details and a photograph from Kraft Slough, Sargent County on 4 July 1979 provided evidence for the second accepted breeding record of white-faced ibis in North Dakota. See *The Prairie Naturalist* 12:21-23 for more information. (04-34. A:5/0). Rodney A. Schmidt.

WHITE-TAILED KITE (*Elanus leucurus*). An adult and a juvenile white-tailed kite were photographed in McKenzie County on 26 September 1987. This was a first

state record. Up to two adults and five immatures were reported at the time. A photograph of one of the juveniles was published in *American Birds* 42(1):95. (04-67. A:5/0 identification; A:3/2 breeding confirmation; B:1/4 breeding confirmation). Gordon B. Berkey, Ron E. Martin.

RED-SHOULDERED HAWK (*Buteo lineatus*). A red-shouldered hawk was in Valley City, Barnes County on 6 April 1931. To our knowledge, this is the earliest record for this species in North Dakota. Past committee actions have accepted two other records of red-shouldered hawk. (05-16. A:5/0). Henry C. Kyllingstad.

RED-SHOULDERED HAWK. A red-shouldered hawk was in Valley City, Barnes County on 21 March 1936. (05-39. A:5/0). Henry C. Kyllingstad.

RED-SHOULDERED HAWK. A red-shouldered hawk was in Grand Forks County from 5 to 12 April 1989. (04-93. A:4/1). Eve E. Freeberg.

COMMON MOORHEN (*Gallinula chloropus*). A common moorhen frequented a wetland near Alice, Cass County from 14 to 18 May 2004. This is the third accepted record for this species in North Dakota. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 58(3):392. (04-89. A:5/0). Keith Corliss, Robert O'Connor, Dan Svingen.

SNOWY PLOVER (*Charadrius alexandrinus*). A snowy plover was along the east shore of Lake Etta, Kidder County from 31 May to at least 5 June 2005. This is the sixth accepted record for North Dakota. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 59(3):455. (05-56. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Kim Risen, Dan Svingen, Peder H. Svingen.

BLACK-NECKED STILT (*Himantopus mexicanus*). An adult black-necked stilt was photographed at Minnewaukan Flats, Devils Lake, Benson County on 11 July 1991. (05-86. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

BLACK-NECKED STILT. An adult black-necked stilt was at Turtle River Wildlife Management Area, Grand Forks County on 1 June 1993. (05-76. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

BLACK-NECKED STILT. A juvenile black-necked stilt was photographed at the Devils Lake sewage lagoons, Ramsey County on 10 August 1993. A photograph of this bird appeared in *American Birds* 48(1):124. This record predates record #01-13, which established the black-necked stilt as a breeding species within North Dakota (Svingen and Martin 2003). (04-04. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). Eldon Anderson.

BLACK-NECKED STILT. An adult black-necked stilt pair was photographed and successfully nested, during their 16 June to 22 July 2003 stay at McKenzie Slough Wildlife Management Area, Burleigh County. (04-80. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). Dan Svingen, Peder H. Svingen, H. Clark Talkington.

BLACK-NECKED STILT. A black-necked stilt was at the Bryan/Mohler Waterfowl Production Area, Burleigh County on 2 June 2004. There are now 10 accepted records for this species in North Dakota. (04-92. A:5/0). H. Clark Talkington.

WHIMBREL (*Numenius phaeopus*). A whimbrel was photographed in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 27 May 1989, providing the state's fourth accepted record. A photograph of this bird appeared in *American Birds* 43(3):396. (04-50. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

WHIMBREL. A whimbrel was photographed at Wood Waterfowl Production Area, Eddy County on 13 May 2004. (04-97. A:5/0). Stacy Adolf-Whipp.

WHIMBREL. A whimbrel was at Long Lake NWR, Burleigh County on 17 May 2004. (04-98. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

WHIMBREL. A whimbrel was at Horsehead Lake, Kidder County on 6 June 2004. (04-99. A:5/0). Gregg Knutsen, Lynda Knutsen.

WHIMBREL. A whimbrel was at "C" dike on Long Lake NWR, Burleigh County on 30 May 2005. (05-69. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

LONG-BILLED CURLEW (*Numenius americanus*). A long-billed curlew was near Dawson, Kidder County on 7 May 2001. Historically, this species regularly occurred throughout the western two-thirds of North Dakota (Stewart 1975). The species is now almost entirely restricted to the extreme southwestern corner of the state. (04-49. A:5/0). Brent Jamison.

WESTERN SANDPIPER (*Calidris mauri*). A western sandpiper was at Patterson Lake, Stark County from 26 to 28 August 2005. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 60(1):93. (05-94. A:5/0). Jack Lefor.

WESTERN SANDPIPER. A western sandpiper was photographed at Patterson Lake, Stark County on 1 September 2005. (05-102. A:3/2. B:4/1). Jack Lefor.

WESTERN SANDPIPER. A western sandpiper was photographed at Bowman-Haley Lake, Bowman County on 4 September 2005. (05-101. A:3/2, B:4/1). Jack Lefor.

LITTLE STINT (*Calidris minuta*). North Dakota's (and the Great Plain's) first little stint was photographed extensively and described during its 4 to 5 July 2003 stay at the Minot sewage lagoons, Ward County. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 57(4):574. (04-10. A:5/0). Keith Corliss, Steve Easley, Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen, Peder H. Svingen.

CURLEW SANDPIPER (*Calidris ferruginea*). A curlew sandpiper was at the sludge fields, Grand Forks County from 23 to 28 May 1982. A photograph of this bird appeared in *American Birds* 36(5):867, and was evidently the basis used by Faanes and Stewart (1982) to include curlew sandpiper on their revised checklist. This record predates record #03-08 (Svingen and Martin 2005). (04-05. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

CURLEW SANDPIPER. A juvenile curlew sandpiper was photographed in Grand Forks County on 13 October 2004. This is the third accepted record of this species in North Dakota. (05-06. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg, David O. Lambeth.

RUFF (*Philomachus pugnax*). A male ruff was at Kelly's Slough NWR, Grand Forks County from 1 to 9 May 1978. This is the earliest of the four records now accepted for this species in North Dakota. A photograph of this bird appeared in the Grand Forks Herald newspaper (Issue 309:4 May 1978). (04-78. A:4/1). Ron Smith.

RUFF. A female ruff was photographed on 25 July 2005 at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County. (05-75. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

RED PHALAROPE (*Phalaropus fulicarius*). A female red phalarope was photographed at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 4 June 1993. This is the sixth accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (04-79. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

RED PHALAROPE. A red phalarope was near McPhail's Butte, Kidder County on 16 June 1997. (04-65. A:5/0). Dave Benson.

RED PHALAROPE. A juvenile red phalarope was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County from 30 September to 2 October 2003. (04-51. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE (*Rissa tridactyla*). An immature black-legged kittiwake was photographed at Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 28 November 1981. This is the earliest accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (05-48. A:5/0). Greg Lambeth.

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE. An adult black-legged kittiwake was at the Garrison Dam tailrace, Mercer County on 29 November 1986. This is the eighth accepted record for this species. (04-52. A:4/1). David Griffiths.

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE. A immature black-legged kittiwake was at "B" dike on Long Lake NWR, Burleigh County on 21 November 2004. Most North Dakota records of this species have been at Garrison Dam, Mercer County. (05-66. A:5/0). H. Clark Talkington.

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE. An immature black-legged kittiwake was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 24 November 2004. (05-90. A:5/0). Eve. E. Freeberg.

BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE. An immature black-legged kittiwake was photographed at Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 12 December 2004. (05-37. A:5/0). Jack Lefor.

SABINE'S GULL (*Xema sabini*). A juvenile Sabine's gull, one of four present, was photographed at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 22 September 1991. (05-23. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

SABINE'S GULL. The carcass of an adult Sabine's gull was found on the Snake Creek Embankment, McLean County on 12 August 2001. This is the earliest fall date that we have for this species in North Dakota. (04-75. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

SABINE'S GULL. A juvenile Sabine's gull was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 14 September 2004. (05-91. A:5/0). Eve. E. Freeberg.

SABINE'S GULL. Two juvenile Sabine's gulls were on Devils Lake, Ramsey County on 2 October 2004, approximately 5 miles southeast of the city of Devils Lake. (05-05. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

SABINE'S GULL. A juvenile Sabine's gull was at Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 24 September 2005. (05-92. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

SABINE'S GULL. A juvenile Sabine's gull was photographed on Devils Lake, Benson County on 25 September 2005. There are now more than 15 accepted records for this species in North Dakota. (05-93. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth, Dan Svingen.

LITTLE GULL (*Hydrocoloeus minutus*). A first-winter little gull was at Garrison Dam, Mercer County from 27 November to 26 December 1988. This predates

record #93-09, which documented this species' presence within North Dakota (Svingen and Martin 2003). Photographs of the 1988 bird were published in *American Birds* Spring 1989:122 and 43:601. (04-39. A:5/0). Gordon B. Berkey, David O. Lambeth.

LITTLE GULL. An adult little gull was on Devils Lake, Ramsey County on 2 October 2004, approximately 5 miles south of the city of Devils Lake. (05-03. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

LITTLE GULL. An adult little gull was on Devils Lake, Ramsey County on 2 October 2004, approximately 1-2 miles east of the bird involved in record 05-03. (05-04. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

MEW GULL (*Larus camus*). A first-year mew gull was at Garrison Dam tailrace, Mercer County from 18 September to 13 November 1988. A photograph of this individual was published in *American Birds* 43(1):122. This record predates all other accepted records. (04-71. A:5/0). Gordon B. Berkey.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 1 November 2003. (04-24. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson, H. Clark Talkington.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was photographed at the Garrison Dam boat landing, McLean County on 7 November 2003. (04-11. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was at Garrison Dam boat landing, Mercer County on 30 November 2003. (04-37. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 12 October 2004. (05-02. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was at the Garrison Dam, Mercer County from 22 to 30 October 2005. (05-98. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was photographed below Garrison Dam, Mercer County during its 25 to 30 October 2005 stay. (05-99. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth, Dan Svingen.

MEW GULL. An adult mew gull was 1 mile below Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 30 October 2005. It was one of three adults present in the general area that day. There are now 12 accepted records for this species in North Dakota. (05-100. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

THAYER'S GULL (*Larus thayeri*). A first-winter Thayer's gull was at Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 14 February 1981. A photograph of this bird appeared in *American Birds* May 1981:312. (04-22. A:5/0). Tom Gatz.

THAYER'S GULL. A first-year Thayer's gull was photographed at Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 21 October 1984. There is the eighth accepted record for this species in North Dakota. The great bulk of sightings remain undocumented. (05-24. A:3/2. B:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

ICELAND GULL (*Larus glaucooides*). An adult Iceland gull was found during the 16 December 1990 Christmas Bird Count at Garrison Dam, Mercer County. It apparently had been present since 18 November 1990. (04-96. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

ICELAND GULL. An adult Iceland gull was at the Garrison Dam tailrace, Mercer County from 27 November to 14 December 2003. (04-53. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

ICELAND GULL. An adult Iceland gull was at Garrison Dam, Mercer County from 22 December 2004 to 2 January 2005. This is the sixth accepted record for this species from North Dakota. (05-54. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL (*Larus fuscus*). An adult lesser black-backed gull was photographed at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 2 June 1998. This species was first reported from the state in 1990. This is the seventh accepted record. (05-46. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. A lesser black-backed gull, thought to be in second alternate plumage, was at Garrison Dam tailrace, Mercer County on 27 April 2003. (04-07. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult and a third-winter lesser black-backed gull were photographed at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County during their stay from 31 October to 2 November 2003. (04-09. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson, Mark Gonzalez, H. Clark Talkington, Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. A lesser black-backed gull in third-winter plumage, was photographed at Garrison Dam tailrace, Mercer County on 22 November 2003. (04-08. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult lesser black-backed gull was photographed at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County during its 25 to 28

March 2004 stay. (04-72. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson, Ron E. Martin, H. Clark Talkington.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult lesser black-backed gull was at Long Lake NWR, Burleigh County on 27 March 2004. (04-73. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult, or near-adult, lesser black-backed gull was at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 22 May 2004. (04-74. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult lesser black-backed gull was at the Bismarck landfill, Burleigh County from 18 to 27 October 2004. (05-01. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson, Mark Gonzalez, Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult lesser black-backed gull was at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 8 April 2005. (05-53. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult lesser black-backed gull was at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 29 April 2005. This bird was believed to be a different individual than that involved in record 05-53. (05-62. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. An adult bird was at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 22 September 2005. (05-88. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL. A first-winter lesser black-backed gull was photographed at the Bismarck landfill, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 30 September 2005. A first-winter bird that was observed on 20 October 2005 at the same location was assumed to be the same bird. (05-89. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Peder H. Svingen.

GLAUCOUS-WINGED GULL (*Larus glaucescens*). A second-winter glaucous-winged gull was photographed at Garrison Dam, Mercer County during its 30 September to 4 November 1990 stay. This is the first state record for this species. (05-87. A:5/0). Gordon Berkey, David O. Lambeth, Ron Martin, Peder H. Svingen.

GLAUCOUS GULL (*Larus hyperboreus*). A glaucous gull was at McKenzie Slough, Burleigh County on 6 April 1971. A photograph of this bird was published in *The Prairie Naturalist* 4:42. Most North Dakota records of this species have been at Garrison Dam, Mercer County. (04-28. A:5/0). B.J. Rose.

GLAUCOUS GULL. Two first-winter and one second-winter glaucous gulls were found at Garrison Dam, Mercer County on 14 December 1979. Details were published in *The Prairie Naturalist* 12:54-58. (04-30. A:5/0). Craig Faanes, Ruth Faanes.

GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL (*Larus marinus*). North Dakota's first accepted record of great black-backed gull was provided by a bird in Bismarck, Burleigh County from 22 to 25 March 2005. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 59(4):455. (05-49. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

PARASITIC JAEGER (*Stercorarius parasiticus*). A dark-phase adult parasitic jaeger was at Devils Lake, Ramsey County on 3 October 1987. This is the fifth accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (04-54. A:5/0). Gordon B. Berkey, Ron Martin.

PARASITIC JAEGER. A juvenile parasitic jaeger was at the Grand Forks sewage lagoons, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County from 21 to 25 September 1990. A photograph of this bird appeared in *American Birds* 45(1):121. (04-16. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

LONG-TAILED JAEGER (*Stercorarius longicaudus*). North Dakota's earliest accepted record of long-tailed jaeger record was provided by a bird photographed near Bismarck, Burleigh County on 1 October 1978. Details were published in *The Prairie Naturalist*:11:5-6. (04-31. A:5/0). Thomas Gatz, Don Treasure.

BAND-TAILED PIGEON (*Patagioenas fasciata*). A band-tailed pigeon was in Hettinger, Adams County from 9 to 11 September 1995. A photograph of this bird appeared in *National Audubon Society's Field Notes* 50(1):73. Faanes and Stewart (1982) considered this species hypothetical, evidently based on the report published in *Auk* 29:549-550. (04-01. A:4/1). Gordon B. Berkey, Carolyn Griffiths, Dave Griffiths.

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE (*Streptopelia decaocto*). Two Eurasian collared-doves were observed in Hazelton, Emmons County on 18 March 2003. This is the seventh accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (04-77. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE. A Eurasian collared-dove was photographed in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 11 May 2003. (04-76. A:5/0). Peder H. Svingen.

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE. A Eurasian collared-dove was at Sleepy Hollow Park, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 8 September 2003. (04-42. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE. Two Eurasian collared-doves were in Mandan, Morton County on 7 December 2003. The birds had evidently been present for at least several days. (04-42. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE. An adult Eurasian collared-dove was photographed on a nest in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 25 August 2004. On 13 October a small squab was photographed in the nest. This is the second accepted record of this species breeding in the North Dakota; the first breeding record occurred in 2000 (Svingen and Martin 2003). (05-10. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). David O. Lambeth.

EURASIAN COLLARED-DOVE. Five Eurasian collared-doves were in Steele, Kidder County on 31 October 2004. (05-09. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

WHITE-WINGED DOVE (*Zenaida asiatica*). A bird photographed during its 7 to 10 May 2003 stay in Minot, Ward County, provided North Dakota's second record of a white-winged dove. (04-94. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Peder H. Svingen.

WHITE-WINGED DOVE. A white-winged dove was photographed in Fargo, Cass County during its 31 May to 2 June 2004 stay. (05-79. A:5/0). Lew Dailey, Wanda Peterson.

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO (*Coccyzus americanus*). A yellow-billed cuckoo was photographed at Turtle River State Park, Grand Forks County on 7 July 1979. This species is casual in northern North Dakota. (05-29. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

BARN OWL (*Tyto alba*). A barn owl near McKenzie, Burleigh County on 13 September 2003 was killed by a red-tailed hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*) within minutes after it was inadvertently flushed. A photograph of the owl was published in *North American Birds* 58(1):97. The owl's carcass subsequently was mounted and is currently on display at the Dakota Zoo in Bismarck. (04-55. A:5/0). Mark Gonzalez.

BARN OWL. A barn owl was photographed at Crystal Springs Lake, Kidder County on 16 April 2004. (04-95. A:5/0). Jesse Kolar.

BARN OWL. A barn owl was in Mandan, Morton County on 22 June 2004. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 58(4):555. This is the fourth accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (05-07. A:5/0). Val Gabbert, H. Clark Talkington.

NORTHERN HAWK OWL (*Surnia ulula*). A northern hawk owl was photographed near Devils Lake, Ramsey County on 17 January 1982. (05-47. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

NORTHERN HAWK OWL. A northern hawk owl was near Granville, McHenry County from 22 February to 21 March 2004. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 58(2):246. (04-66. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

NORTHERN HAWK OWL. A northern hawk owl was photographed on 13 November 2004 near Fargo, Cass County. This is the fifth accepted record of this species in North Dakota. (05-34. A:5/0). Dean Riemer.

GREAT GRAY OWL (*Strix nebulosa*). A great gray owl was in Grand Forks County from 22 to 29 December 2004. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 59(2):286. There are less than 20 reports of this species from North Dakota, with relatively few of those being documented. Faanes and Stewart (1982) classified this species as occasional in fall and winter; however, this is the first documentation to receive committee action. (05-36. A:5/0). Keith Corliss, Tim Driscoll, Ron E. Martin.

GREAT GRAY OWL. A great gray owl was 1 mile west of Hope, Steele County on 12 February 2005. (05-68. A:5/0). Donald L. Kubischta.

GREAT GRAY OWL. An injured great gray owl was near Emerado, Grand Forks County on 14 May 2005. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 59(3):455. (05-74. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

WHIP-POOR-WILL (*Caprimulgus vociferus*). A whip-poor-will was photographed in Grand Forks on 13 May 1982. This species is casual in northern North Dakota. (05-27. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

WHIP-POOR-WILL. A whip-poor-will was in Wildwood Park, Velva, McHenry County on 21 May 1982. (04-40. A:3/2, B:3/2, C:4/1). Ron E. Martin.

WHIP-POOR-WILL. A whip-poor-will was photographed in Grand Forks Memorial Park Cemetery, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 20 September 2004. (05-08. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER (*Melanerpes carolinus*). A red-bellied woodpecker was photographed on 26 January 2004 in Minot, Ward County, in western North Dakota. Records of this species in western North Dakota are rare. (04-56. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

WESTERN WOOD-PEWEE (*Contopus sordidulus*). A Western wood-pewee was singing along the Red River in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 24 May 1991.

There are very few records of this species east of the Drift Prairie in North Dakota. (05-80. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER (*Tyrannus forficatus*). A scissor-tailed flycatcher approximately 2 miles southwest of Kensal, Stutsman County was described and photographed on 24 July 2004. Evidently, the bird was present from 21 July to 2 August 2004. This is the third accepted record for this species in North Dakota. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 58(4):555. (05-11. A:5/0). Keith Corliss, David O. Lambeth, Ron Martin, Paulette Scheer, Dan Svingen.

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER. A scissor-tailed flycatcher was photographed near Mandan, Morton County on 25 October 2004. Reportedly, multiple birds had been present for a week or more. (05-32. A:5/0). Holly Burch.

BELL'S VIREO (*Vireo bellii*). A Bell's vireo was photographed at Beaver Bay Recreation Area, Mercer County on 4 July 1983 in northern North Dakota. There are very few records of this species from the northern portion of the state. (05-95. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

PLUMBEOUS VIREO (*Vireo plumbeus*). An adult plumbeous vireo was in the Hettinger Cemetery, Hettinger, Adams County on 19 September 2004. There is one previous accepted record for this species in North Dakota. (05-60. A:5/0). H. Clark Talkington.

PINYON JAY (*Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus*). At least eight pinyon jays were in Mandan, Morton County on 26 October 1979. One of these birds persisted in the area until 30 November and subsequently was photographed (see *American Birds* 34(3):285). This record was evidently the basis for the inclusion of pinyon jay in Faanes and Stewart (1982). (04-17. A:5/0). Robert Randall.

CLARK'S NUTCRACKER (*Nucifraga columbiana*). A Clark's nutcracker was at New Town, Mountrail County from 3 to 21 November 1986. A photograph of this bird was published in *American Birds* 41(1):108. (04-43. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW (*Tachycineta thalassina*). A violet-green swallow was photographed entering a nesting cavity at the North Unit of Theodore Roosevelt National Park, McKenzie County on 8 July 1989. This represents the first confirmed nesting of this species in North Dakota. A copy of the photograph was published in *American Birds* 43(5):1278. (04-26. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). David O. Lambeth.

ROCK WREN (*Salpinctes obsoletus*). A rock wren was at the Fargo sewage lagoons, Fargo, Cass County on 30 April 1993. This species is accidental in eastern North Dakota. (05-81. A:5/0). Connie Norheim, Bonnie E. Stout.

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER (*Poliophtila caerulea*). A blue-gray gnatcatcher was at McElroy Park, Jamestown, Stutsman County on 24 September 2004. This is the sixth accepted record for this species, the bulk of previous sightings have been undocumented. (05-12. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson, Ron E. Martin.

EASTERN BLUEBIRD (*Sialia sialis*). An Eastern bluebird was in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County from 20 to 22 December 1998. This is the second accepted winter record for this species. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 53(2):222. (04-81. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

WOOD THRUSH (*Hylocichla mustelina*). A wood thrush was photographed carrying food to its nest in Traill County on 28 July 1979, providing the state's second breeding record. Additional details on this sighting were published in *The Prairie Naturalist* 11:113-114. (05-28. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). David O. Lambeth, Sharon O. Lambeth.

WOOD THRUSH. A wood thrush was in Bismarck, Burleigh County on 12 and 15 October 1988. This bird provided both a late-season and far-west record for North Dakota. (05-77. A:5/0). Donna Rieckmann.

WOOD THRUSH. A very late wood thrush was in Fargo, Cass County on 15 November 1990. (04-58. A:5/0). John A. Brophy, Margaret B. Brophy.

VARIED THRUSH (*Ixoreus naevius*). A male varied thrush was photographed in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County during its 4 to 13 November 1984 stay. This is the fifth accepted record of this species. (05-26. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

VARIED THRUSH. A photograph of the varied thrush found in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 11 November 1986 was published in *American Birds* 41(1):108. (04-44. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

VARIED THRUSH. A male varied thrush was found near Ypsilanti, Stutsman County on 16 June 1987, providing the first summer record of this species. (04-45. A:5/0). Greg Hiemenz.

VARIED THRUSH. A varied thrush was at the Mandan Experiment Station, Mandan, Morton County on 11 November 2003. (04-23. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

VARIED THRUSH. A varied thrush was photographed 16 January 2004 in Minot, Ward County. (04-57. A:4/1). Ron E. Martin.

VARIED THRUSH. A male varied thrush was photographed at New Rockford, Eddy County on 24 May 2004. (04-100. A:5/0). Wayne Easley.

VARIED THRUSH. A male varied thrush was photographed in Jamestown, Stutsman County on 1 October 2004. (05-38. A:5/0). Pat Loe.

VARIED THRUSH. A female varied thrush was photographed in Burlington, Ward County, during its 12 December 2004 to 10 April 2005 stay. (05-59. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

VARIED THRUSH. A female varied thrush was in Minot, Ward County on 2 January 2005. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 59(2):286. (05-58. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

VARIED THRUSH. A male varied thrush was photographed 15 January 2005 in Minot, Ward County. This bird occurred approximately 2 miles from the location of another varied thrush (see record #05-58, above). (05-57. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

VARIED THRUSH. A female varied thrush was in Sleepy Hollow Park, Bismarek, Burleigh County on 8 May 2005. This is the 15th accepted record for varied thrush in North Dakota. This species subsequently has been removed from the committee's review list. (05-64. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD (*Mimus polyglottos*). A northern mockingbird was in Mayville, Traill County on 19 December 2004. This is the first accepted winter record for this species in North Dakota. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 59(2):285. See Igl and Martin (2002) for more details. (05-35. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER (*Dendroica coronata*). A "myrtle" yellow-rumped warbler was photographed during its November and December 1999 stay at a feeder in New Town, Mountrail County. This is the first accepted winter record for this species from North Dakota. (04-59. A:2/3, B:3/2, C:4/1). Rita Satermo.

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER. A "myrtle" yellow-rumped warbler was in Minot, Ward County on 26 January 2004. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 58(2):246. (04-60. A:5/0). Ron E. Martin.

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER. A "myrtle" warbler photographed at Mandan, Morton County was present from 30 December 2002 to 19 March 2003. (04-63. A:5/0). Todd Hanson.

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER (*Dendroica townsendi*). A male Townsend's warbler was at the Dickinson Experiment Station, Dickinson, Stark County on 14 May 2003. This is the second accepted record for this species in the state. (05-67. A:5/0). Jack Lefor.

YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER (*Dendroica dominica*). North Dakota's third record of yellow-throated warbler involved a singing male on the Little Missouri National Grassland, Slope County on 7 to 8 June 2001. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 55(4):506. (04-61. A:5/0). Jack Lefor, Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen.

YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER. A yellow-throated warbler was in the Grand Forks Memorial Park Cemetery, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 23 and 24 May 2003. This observation occurred in the same location where the state's first record of this species was generated in 1986 (Svingen and Martin 2003). (04-83. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth. •

PINE WARBLER (*Dendroica pinus*). A very late pine warbler was photographed during its 5 to 10 December 1998 stay in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County. (04-82. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth.

CERULEAN WARBLER (*Dendroica cerulea*). A cerulean warbler was in Valley City, Barnes County on 22 May 1932. To our knowledge, this was only the second observation of this species in North Dakota (see *Auk* 49 for the first report). Many of the subsequent 10 sightings are undocumented. (05-18. A:4/1). Henry C. Kyllingstad.

CERULEAN WARBLER. A male cerulean warbler was in the Grand Forks Memorial Park Cemetery, Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 1 June 1992. (04-27. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER (*Protonotaria citrea*). A male prothonotary warbler was in Morton County, approximately 14 miles west/southwest of Mandan, on 7 to 8 May 2005. This is the fourth accepted record of this species for North Dakota. (05-71. A:5/0). Dan Svingen.

LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH (*Seiurus motacilla*). North Dakota's first accepted record of this species involved a single bird along the Maple River near Enderlin, Ransom County on 23 May 1979. Details were published in *The Prairie Naturalist*

11:91-92. This record was likely the basis for Faanes and Stewart's (1982) classification of the Louisiana waterthrush as an accidental species in spring. (04-32. A:4/1). Craig A. Faanes.

MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER (*Oporornis tolmiei*). A female MacGillivray's warbler was along Mirror Lake, Hettinger, Adams County on 19 September 2004. This is only the second accepted record, as most of the previous sightings remain undocumented. (05-61. A:5/0). H. Clark Talkington.

MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER. A female MacGillivray's warbler was in Sleepy Hollow Park, Bismarck, Burleigh County on 22 May 2005. (05-65. A:4/1). Corey D. Ellingson.

HOODED WARBLER (*Wilsonia citrina*). A male hooded warbler was in Fargo, Cass County 1 June 2004. This is the sixth accepted record for this species, but the first during the summer period. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 58(3):393. (04-101. A:5/0). Keith Corliss, Ron E. Martin, Dan Svingen, Dennis Wiesenborn.

CANADA WARBLER (*Wilsonia canadensis*). An adult male Canada warbler at Bowman-Haley Reservoir, Bowman County on 19 August 1994 provided the first accepted record of the species in southwestern North Dakota. (04-84. A:5/0). Richard C. Rosche.

CHIPPING SPARROW (*Spizella passerina*). An overwintering chipping sparrow was photographed 9 February 2003 in Mandan, Morton County. (04-102. A:4/1). Todd Hansen.

HENSLow'S SPARROW (*Ammodramus henslowii*). A male Henslow's sparrow was singing in a Conservation Reserve Program field near Horsehead Lake, Kidder County on 28 June 2003. A second male Henslow's sparrow, also was found in this field on that same day (Larry Igl, personal communication). The two birds were still present when the site was last visited on 3 July 2003. This species was first documented as a nester in North Dakota in 2001 (Shaffer et al. 2003, Svingen and Martin 2005). (04-06. A:5/0). Lawrence D. Igl, Dan Svingen.

HENSLow'S SPARROW. A male Henslow's sparrow was near Grace City, Foster County from 3 to 7 June 2005. A photograph of this bird appeared in *North American Birds* 59(4):690. (05-55. A:5/0). David O. Lambeth, Ron Martin.

HENSLow'S SPARROW. A male Henslow's sparrow was heard singing on 11 June 2005 south of McLeod, Ransom County. (05-96. A:5/0). Donald L. Kubischta.

MCCOWN'S LONGSPUR (*Calcarius mccownii*). Although McCown's longspurs once occupied approximately 50% of the state, the species currently is limited to a few scattered pairs in extreme southwestern North Dakota. Nevertheless, a single male was found near McKenzie, Burleigh County on 8 May 1999. (04-64. A:5/0). H. Clark Talkington.

SUMMER TANAGER (*Piranga rubra*). A female summer tanager was photographed at a feeder during its 7 to 22 May 2003 stay in Fessenden, Wells County. (04-20. A:5/0). Dan Svingen, Peder H. Svingen, Misty Thorenson.

SUMMER TANAGER. An immature male summer tanager was in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County on 9 November 2003. This is the third accepted record of this species in the state, but the first for the fall period. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 58(1):173. (04-21. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

SUMMER TANAGER. A first-year male summer tanager was in Trefoil Park, Fargo, Cass County on 14 May 2005. (05-97. A:5/0). Dennis Wiesenborn.

WESTERN TANAGER (*Piranga ludoviciana*). A male western tanager was in Seeman Park, near Linton, Emmons County on 5 July 1939. (05-20. A:5/0). Henry C. Kyllingstad.

WESTERN TANAGER. A male western tanager was in Grand Forks, Grand Forks County from 24 to 27 May 2004. A photograph of this bird was published in *North American Birds* 58(3):393. (05-82. A:5/0). Eve E. Freeberg.

WESTERN TANAGER. A male western tanager was photographed in West Fargo, Cass County during its 15 to 16 May 2005 stay. (05-83. A:5/0). Keith Corliss.

WESTERN TANGER. A male western tanager was in Bismarck, Burleigh County on 26 and 27 May 2005. This is the 11th accepted record of this species in North Dakota. (05-63. A:5/0). Corey D. Ellingson.

CASSIN'S FINCH (*Carpodacus cassinii*). A Cassin's finch was in Fargo, Cass County from 17 to 19 April 1991. This is the second accepted record of this species in North Dakota. (04-85. A:3/2. B:4/1). Virginia Scheel.

HOUSE FINCH (*Carpodacus mexicanus*). North Dakota's second accepted record of house finch pertained to a male in Hope, Steele County from 27 December 1986 to 25 January 1987. (04-88. A:5/0). Donald L. Kubischta.

HOUSE FINCH. An active house finch nest in Fargo, Cass County on 4 August 1987, provided the first accepted evidence of the species breeding within the state. The species was first documented in North Dakota in 1980. (04-86. A:5/0 identification; A:5/0 breeding confirmation). Mary Alice Bergan, Mel Stone.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the records evaluated above, the bylaws of the North Dakota Birding Society's Bird Records Committee, and the criteria listed in Faanes and Stewart (1982), we recommend changes to the status or distribution of 27 species (Table 2). These recommendations include six changes or additions to the spring season, nine to the summer season, eight to the fall season, and five to the winter season.

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Table 2. Status of selected bird species in North Dakota, from Faanes and Stewart (1982), and Svingen and Martin (2003, 2005). Changes in status are *italicized* and are based on data presented in this article. Spring = 15 March to 31 May, Summer = 1 June to 31 July, Fall = 1 August to 15 November, Winter = 16 November to 14 March.

Species	Status	Spring	Summer	Fall	Winter
Trumpeter swan		Accidental	<i>Occasional</i>	Occasional	
Mottled duck		<i>Accidental</i>			
Pacific loon			<i>Accidental</i>	Accidental	
Yellow-billed loon				<i>Accidental</i>	
Snowy egret	<i>Breeding</i>	Rare	Rare	Rare	
Tricolored heron	<i>Breeding</i>	Accidental	Accidental		
White-tailed kite				<i>Accidental</i>	
Black-necked stilt	Breeding	Occasional	<i>Occasional</i>	Occasional	
Whimbrel		Occasional	<i>Accidental</i>	<i>Occasional</i>	
Little stint			<i>Accidental</i>		
Iceland gull				<i>Occasional</i>	<i>Occasional</i>
Lesser black-backed gull		<i>Occasional</i>	<i>Accidental</i>	<i>Occasional</i>	Accidental
Glaucous-winged gull				<i>Accidental</i>	
Great black-backed gull		<i>Accidental</i>			
White-winged dove		<i>Accidental</i>		Accidental	
Great gray owl		<i>Accidental</i>		Occasional	Occasional
Violet-green swallow	<i>Breeding</i>	Rare	Occasional	Rare	
Varied thrush		Occasional	<i>Accidental</i>	<i>Occasional</i>	Occasional
Northern mockingbird		Rare	Rare	Rare	<i>Accidental</i>
Yellow-rumped warbler		Abundant	Uncommon	Abundant	<i>Accidental</i>
Townsend's warbler		<i>Accidental</i>		Accidental	
Yellow-throated warbler		Accidental	<i>Accidental</i>	Accidental	
Pine warbler		Occasional	Accidental	Occasional	<i>Accidental</i>
Hooded warbler		Occasional	<i>Accidental</i>	Accidental	
Summer tanager		Accidental	Accidental	<i>Accidental</i>	
Chipping sparrow		Fairly Common	Fairly Common	Fairly Common	<i>Accidental</i>
House finch	<i>Breeding</i>			Accidental	

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