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INTRODUCTION

A Checklist of Texas Birds was first published in 1984. This, the seventh edition of the checklist, continues to provide Texas birders with a quick reference list and accurate status designations so that accidentals, hypotheticals and species new to Texas may be easily noted and carefully documented. The Texas Bird Records Committee (TBRC), of the Texas Ornithological Society, assesses the status of Texas' avifauna and maintains an accurate listing of the state's birds. As part of that responsibility, the TBRC maintains a list of rare birds for which it requests and reviews documentation on any report of those species. Thousands of records have been evaluated by the TBRC resulting in a well-documented listing of Texas birds. This checklist matches that of the TBRC with the following exceptions:

- 1) species accepted by the TBRC as sight records are included here in good standing (these species are not included on the TBRC state list until such time that photographic, specimen, or tape-recorded documentation is acquired);
- 2) species that have been accepted historically by authorities on Texas birds but which no longer meet the documentation criteria of the TBRC (lost specimens, etc.) are here considered hypothetical and coded with a special designation;
- 3) species accepted by the committee on bird records of the American Ornithologists' Union are also included here; and
- 4) we continue to maintain a small hypothetical list the authors believe may be legitimate to highlight the need for documentation of these species.

PURPOSE

This checklist was designed to facilitate data gathering on Texas' birdlife through the recording of observations by location or in diary fashion. It is revised periodically to keep pace with the increased knowledge of Texas' avifauna.

A Checklist of Texas Birds is intended to:

- 1) provide an accurate listing of Texas' birds in phylogenetic sequence;
- 2) provide correct spelling and form of both scientific and common names;
- 3) provide a traveler's checklist, locale diary or trip-log record;
- 4) provide an accurate reference list and inventory for conservation workers, students, educators, ecologists and naturalists; and to
- 5) facilitate documentation and recording of observations and field data.

THE LIST

Common and scientific names and phylogenetic sequence follow *The Check-list of North American Birds*, 7th edition (A.O.U. 1998) as supplemented.

This checklist does not delineate seasonal and regional occurrence or abundance of any species (please refer to the Selected References listed on page 36). The following eight status designations are used in this checklist:

- A - accidental: out of range and not expected yearly (including all review species).
- A* - accidental: documented only by a sight record that has been accepted by the TBRC.

- X - extinct: no longer in existence.
- E - extirpated: birds still in existence, but no longer occurring in Texas and not likely to occur again.
- I - introduced: species whose status and occurrence is due to release by man, and that are considered established in the wild.
- I* - uncertain status: species with no accepted established populations that would result in a designation of I (introduced), or sufficient documentation of origin leading to full acceptance. Designation of their actual status is dependent on our having a better understanding of the circumstances of their occurrence.
- H - hypothetical: those species for which reports of merit exist but which have not been sufficiently documented.
- H* - historical (hypothetical): species that have been considered part of the Texas avifauna in the past and that have many records imbedded in the literature. However, no specimens or photographs documenting its presence in Texas have been located. Some of these species were almost certainly members of the Texas avifauna at one time.

The accidental category has been broadened to match the TBRC's "review list." This list includes more regularly occurring species whose status is poorly known and still subject to review by the TBRC. The accidental designation should alert observers that additional documentation is required. These species are by no means the only species that should be documented. There are many birds that are common in one part of Texas that would be totally unexpected in another part; such occurrences are just as worthy of documentation.

To be included on the list of Texas birds, a species should have at least one accepted photographic record (deposited in the Texas Photo-Record File, Texas A&M University), identifiable recording (deposited in the Texas Bird Sound Library, Sam Houston State University), or museum specimen. Species accepted by the TBRC based on sight records alone are placed on a presumptive list and are designated with an A* in this checklist.

Two species, Green Parakeet and Red-crowned Parrot, do not easily fit into any of the above categories. Stable, reproducing populations of both species are found in the lower Rio Grande Valley; however, what percentage of these are descended from escapees, and how many, if any, are descendants of natural vagrants is impossible to determine. The TBRC has added both species to the state list and they are included here without status designations.

Again, the accidental, historical and hypothetical designations are designed to encourage observers to keep accurate notes and to document rare species whenever possible. Since the first edition, 15 species listed as hypothetical have been upgraded to accidental and two of those are no longer listed as accidental. A TBRC report form is included in the back to facilitate reporting and provide a guide to the types of information needed for documentation. Please send details, photos or recordings to Mark Lockwood, TBRC Secretary, 402 E. Harriet Ave., Alpine, Texas 79830. For additional information about the TBRC, visit their Internet site at: <http://texasbirds.org/tbrc/>

The current list contains 632 species in good standing. This includes all regularly occurring, accidental, extinct, extirpated, and introduced species. This list differs from the official TBRC list in that it includes their presumptive list as species in good standing. In addition, there are five species listed as historical, seven considered hypothetical, and five non-native species where the current status is uncertain. This brings the total number of species included in this checklist to 649.

Species level changes involving additions to the list, nomenclature and status since the last edition are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Changes and additions to *A Checklist of Texas Birds* since 2003.

Cackling Goose	resulted from A.O.U. split of Canada Goose
South Polar Skua	documented in the state in 2004
Thayer's Gull	removed accidental status designation
Yellow-footed Gull	removed from state list in 2006
Glaucous-winged Gull	documented in the state in 2004
Rock Pigeon	A.O.U. name change (formerly Rock Dove)
Broad-billed Hummingbird	removed accidental status designation
Allen's Hummingbird	removed accidental status designation
Yellow-green Vireo	removed accidental status designation
Black-headed Nightingale-Thrush	documented in the state in 2004
Streak-backed Oriole	documented in the state in 2004

When observing birdlife in Texas, consider sharing your data. Please submit duplicate lists to the headquarters of any parks, wildlife management areas, refuges or natural areas that you visit. Visitors to Texas' state parks are asked to forward records to the Natural Resources Program, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, 4200 Smith School Road, Austin, Texas 78744. These data will be used to compile checklists for state parks lacking them and to revise those already extant. We also encourage observers to submit important records and/or seasonal trends for publication in *North American Birds*. Send your reports to the Texas Regional Editor: Mark Lockwood, 402 E. Harriet Ave., Alpine, Texas 79830.

A copy of this list can also be found on the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Internet site (http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/publications/pwdpubs/media/pwd_bk_p4000_0000m.pdf). As new species are added to the list, updates will be posted to this web site.

STEWARDSHIP

The size, physical location, and biogeographical factors that have contributed to the great diversity of birds in Texas have also contributed to a significant list of endangered species. Some of these species include portions of Texas within their range, while others reside primarily within our borders. Since the first edition, five Texas species have been added to the Endangered Species List and, undoubtedly,

others will follow. Now listed for Texas are Brown Pelican, Northern Aplomado Falcon, Attwater's Greater Prairie-Chicken, Whooping Crane, Piping Plover, Eskimo Curlew, Interior Least Tern, Red-cockaded Woodpecker, Southwestern Willow Flycatcher, Black-capped Vireo, Golden-cheeked Warbler and a host of threatened and state-protected species. A step forward in avian conservation was taken when two birds were removed from the Endangered Species List, the Bald Eagle and Peregrine Falcon.

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All past and present members of the TBRC also deserve our thanks for their work in helping delimit the avifauna of Texas. Finally, we thank all the birders who, through their constant presence in the field, notifying others of their significant sightings, and providing documentation of their discoveries, are providing valuable contributions to the knowledge of Texas' avifauna.

White-cheeked Pintail <i>A. bahamensis</i>	A						
Northern Pintail <i>A. acuta</i>							
Garganey <i>A. querquedula</i>	A						
Green-winged Teal <i>A. crecca</i>							
Canvasback <i>Aythya valisineria</i>							
Redhead <i>A. americana</i>							
Ring-necked Duck <i>A. collaris</i>							
Greater Scaup <i>A. marila</i>							
Lesser Scaup <i>A. affinis</i>							
King Eider <i>Somateria spectabilis</i>	A						
Harlequin Duck <i>Histrionicus histrionicus</i>	A						
Surf Scoter <i>Melanitta perspicillata</i>							
White-winged Scoter <i>M. fusca</i>							
Black Scoter <i>M. nigra</i>							
Long-tailed Duck <i>Clangula hyemalis</i>							
Bufflehead <i>Bucephala albeola</i>							
Common Goldeneye <i>B. clangula</i>							
Barrow's Goldeneye <i>B. islandica</i>	A						
Hooded Merganser <i>Lophodytes cucullatus</i>							
Common Merganser <i>Mergus merganser</i>							
Red-breasted Merganser <i>M. serrator</i>							
Masked Duck <i>Nomonyx dominica</i>	A						
Ruddy Duck <i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>							

FAMILY CRACIDAE

Plain Chachalaca <i>Ortalis vetula</i>							

FAMILY PHASIANIDAE
SUBFAMILY PHASIANINAE

Chukar <i>Alectoris chukar</i>	I*						
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Ring-necked Pheasant <i>Phasianus colchicus</i>	I						
SUBFAMILY TETRAONINAE							
Sharp-tailed Grouse <i>Tympanuchus phasianellus</i>	H*						
Greater Prairie-Chicken <i>T. cupido</i>							
Lesser Prairie-Chicken <i>T. pallidicinctus</i>							
SUBFAMILY MELEAGRINAE							
Wild Turkey <i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>							

FAMILY ODONTOPHORIDAE

Scaled Quail <i>Callipepla squamata</i>							
Gambel's Quail <i>C. gambelii</i>							
Northern Bobwhite <i>Colinus virginianus</i>							
Montezuma Quail <i>Cyrtonyx montezumae</i>							

FAMILY GAVIIDAE

Red-throated Loon <i>Gavia stellata</i>							
Pacific Loon <i>G. pacifica</i>							
Common Loon <i>G. immer</i>							
Yellow-billed Loon <i>G. adamsii</i>	A						

FAMILY PODICIPEDIDAE

Least Grebe <i>Tachybaptus dominicus</i>							
Pied-billed Grebe <i>Podilymbus podiceps</i>							
Horned Grebe <i>Podiceps auritus</i>							
Red-necked Grebe <i>P. grisegena</i>	A						
Eared Grebe <i>P. nigricollis</i>							
Western Grebe <i>Aechmophorus occidentalis</i>							
Clark's Grebe <i>A. clarkii</i>							

FAMILY DIOMEDEIDAE

Yellow-nosed Albatross <i>Thalassarche chlororhynchos</i>	A						

FAMILY PROCELLARIIDAE

Black-capped Petrel <i>Pterodroma hasitata</i>	A						
Stejneger's Petrel <i>P. longirostris</i>	A						
White-chinned Petrel <i>Procellaria aequinoctialis</i>	A						
Cory's Shearwater <i>Calonectris diomedea</i>							
Greater Shearwater <i>Puffinus gravis</i>	A						
Sooty Shearwater <i>P. griseus</i>	A						
Manx Shearwater <i>P. puffinus</i>	A						
Audubon's Shearwater <i>P. lherminieri</i>							

FAMILY HYDROBATIDAE

Wilson's Storm-Petrel <i>Oceanites oceanicus</i>	A						
Leach's Storm-Petrel <i>Oceanodroma leucorhoa</i>	A						
Band-rumped Storm-Petrel <i>O. castro</i>							

FAMILY PHAETHONTIDAE

White-tailed Tropicbird <i>Phaethon lepturus</i>	H						
Red-billed Tropicbird <i>P. aethereus</i>	A						

FAMILY SULIDAE

Masked Booby <i>Sula dactylatra</i>							
Blue-footed Booby <i>S. nebouxii</i>	A						
Brown Booby <i>S. leucogaster</i>	A						
Red-footed Booby <i>S. sula</i>	A						
Northern Gannet <i>Morus bassanus</i>							

FAMILY PELECANIDAE

American White Pelican <i>Pelecanus erythrorhynchos</i>					
Brown Pelican <i>P. occidentalis</i>					

FAMILY PHALACROCORACIDAE

Neotropic Cormorant <i>Phalacrocorax brasilianus</i>					
Double-crested Cormorant <i>P. auritus</i>					

FAMILY ANHINGIDAE

Anhinga <i>Anhinga anhinga</i>					

FAMILY FREGATIDAE

Magnificent Frigatebird <i>Fregata magnificens</i>					

FAMILY ARDEIDAE

American Bittern <i>Botaurus lentiginosus</i>					
Least Bittern <i>Ixobrychus exilis</i>					
Great Blue Heron <i>Ardea herodias</i>					
Great Egret <i>A. alba</i>					
Snowy Egret <i>Egretta thula</i>					
Little Blue Heron <i>E. caerulea</i>					
Tricolored Heron <i>E. tricolor</i>					
Reddish Egret <i>E. rufescens</i>					
Cattle Egret <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>					
Green Heron <i>Butorides virescens</i>					
Black-crowned Night-Heron <i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>					
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron <i>Nyctanassa violacea</i>					

FAMILY THRESKIORNITHIDAE
SUBFAMILY THRESKIORNITHINAE

White Ibis <i>Eudocimus albus</i>	H*						
Scarlet Ibis <i>E. ruber</i>							
Glossy Ibis <i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>							
White-faced Ibis <i>P. chihi</i>							
SUBFAMILY PLATALEINAE							
Roseate Spoonbill <i>Platalea ajaja</i>							

FAMILY CICONIIDAE

Jabiru <i>Jabiru mycteria</i>	A						
Wood Stork <i>Mycteria americana</i>							

FAMILY CATHARTIDAE

Black Vulture <i>Coragyps atratus</i>							
Turkey Vulture <i>Cathartes aura</i>							

FAMILY PHOENICOPTERIDAE

Greater Flamingo <i>Phoenicopterus ruber</i>	A						

FAMILY ACCIPITRIDAE
SUBFAMILY PANDIONINAE

Osprey <i>Pandion haliaetus</i>							
SUBFAMILY ACCIPITRINAE							
Hook-billed Kite <i>Chondrohierax uncinatus</i>							
Swallow-tailed Kite <i>Elanoides forficatus</i>							
White-tailed Kite <i>Elanus leucurus</i>							
Snail Kite <i>Rostrhamus sociabilis</i>	A						
Mississippi Kite <i>Ictinia mississippiensis</i>							
Bald Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>							
Northern Harrier <i>Circus cyaneus</i>							

Sharp-shinned Hawk <i>Accipiter striatus</i>							
Cooper's Hawk <i>A. cooperii</i>							
Northern Goshawk <i>A. gentilis</i>	A						
Crane Hawk <i>Geranoospiza caerulescens</i>	A						
Gray Hawk <i>Asturina nitidus</i>							
Common Black-Hawk <i>Buteogallus anthracinus</i>							
Harris's Hawk <i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>							
Roadside Hawk <i>Buteo magnirostris</i>	A						
Red-shouldered Hawk <i>B. lineatus</i>							
Broad-winged Hawk <i>B. platypterus</i>							
Short-tailed Hawk <i>B. brachyurus</i>	A						
Swainson's Hawk <i>B. swainsoni</i>							
White-tailed Hawk <i>B. albicaudatus</i>							
Zone-tailed Hawk <i>B. albonotatus</i>							
Red-tailed Hawk <i>B. jamaicensis</i>							
Ferruginous Hawk <i>B. regalis</i>							
Rough-legged Hawk <i>B. lagopus</i>							
Golden Eagle <i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>							

FAMILY FALCONIDAE
SUBFAMILY MICRASTURINAE

Collared Forest-Falcon <i>Micrastur semitorquatus</i>	A						
SUBFAMILY CARACARINAE							
Crested Caracara <i>Caracara cheriwayi</i>							
SUBFAMILY FALCONINAE							
American Kestrel <i>Falco sparverius</i>							
Merlin <i>F. columbarius</i>							
Aplomado Falcon <i>F. femoralis</i>							
Gyr Falcon <i>F. rusticolus</i>	A						
Peregrine Falcon <i>F. peregrinus</i>							

Prairie Falcon <i>F. mexicanus</i>						

FAMILY RALLIDAE

Yellow Rail <i>Coturnicops noveboracensis</i>						
Black Rail <i>Laterallus jamaicensis</i>						
Clapper Rail <i>Rallus longirostris</i>						
King Rail <i>R. elegans</i>						
Virginia Rail <i>R. limicola</i>						
Sora <i>Porzana carolina</i>						
Paint-billed Crake <i>Neocrex erythrops</i>	A					
Spotted Rail <i>Pardirallus maculatus</i>	A					
Purple Gallinule <i>Porphyrio martinica</i>						
Common Moorhen <i>Gallinula chloropus</i>						
American Coot <i>Fulica americana</i>						

FAMILY ARAMIDAE

Limpkin <i>Aramus guarauna</i>	H					

**FAMILY GRUIDAE
SUBFAMILY GRUINAE**

Sandhill Crane <i>Grus canadensis</i>						
Whooping Crane <i>G. americana</i>						

FAMILY BURHINIDAE

Double-striped Thick-knee <i>Burhinus bistriatus</i>	A					

**FAMILY CHARADRIIDAE
SUBFAMILY CHARADRIINAE**

Black-bellied Plover <i>Pluvialis squatarola</i>						
American Golden-Plover <i>P. dominica</i>						
Collared Plover <i>Charadrius collaris</i>	A					

Snowy Plover <i>C. alexandrinus</i>					
Wilson's Plover <i>C. wilsonia</i>					
Semipalmated Plover <i>C. semipalmatus</i>					
Piping Plover <i>C. melodus</i>					
Killdeer <i>C. vociferus</i>					
Mountain Plover <i>C. montanus</i>					

FAMILY HAEMATOPODIDAE

American Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus palliatus</i>					

FAMILY RECURVIROSTRIDAE

Black-necked Stilt <i>Himantopus mexicanus</i>					
American Avocet <i>Recurvirostra americana</i>					

FAMILY JACANIDAE

Northern Jacana <i>Jacana spinosa</i>	A				

**FAMILY SCOLOPACIDAE
SUBFAMILY SCOLOPACINAE**

Greater Yellowlegs <i>Tringa melanoleuca</i>					
Lesser Yellowlegs <i>T. flavipes</i>					
Spotted Redshank <i>T. erythropus</i>	A				
Solitary Sandpiper <i>T. solitaria</i>					
Willet <i>Catoptrophorus semipalmatus</i>					
Wandering Tattler <i>Heteroscelus incanus</i>	A				
Spotted Sandpiper <i>Actitis macularius</i>					
Upland Sandpiper <i>Bartramia longicauda</i>					
Eskimo Curlew <i>Numenius borealis</i>	A				
Whimbrel <i>N. phaeopus</i>					
Long-billed Curlew <i>N. americanus</i>					

SUBFAMILY STERNINAE							
Gull-billed Tern <i>Sterna nilotica</i>							
Caspian Tern <i>S. caspia</i>							
Royal Tern <i>S. maxima</i>							
Elegant Tern <i>S. elegans</i>	A						
Sandwich Tern <i>S. sandvicensis</i>							
Roseate Tern <i>S. dougallii</i>	A						
Common Tern <i>S. hirundo</i>							
Arctic Tern <i>S. paradisaea</i>	A						
Forster's Tern <i>S. forsteri</i>							
Least Tern <i>S. antillarum</i>							
Bridled Tern <i>S. anaethetus</i>							
Sooty Tern <i>S. fuscata</i>							
Black Tern <i>Chlidonias niger</i>							
Brown Noddy <i>Anous stolidus</i>	A						
Black Noddy <i>A. minutus</i>	A						
SUBFAMILY RYNCHOPINAE							
Black Skimmer <i>Rynchops niger</i>							

FAMILY ALCIDAE

murre sp. <i>Uria</i> sp.	A*						

FAMILY COLUMBIDAE

Rock Pigeon <i>Columba livia</i>	I						
White-crowned Pigeon <i>Patagioenas leucocephala</i>	A*						
Red-billed Pigeon <i>P. flavirostris</i>							
Band-tailed Pigeon <i>P. fasciata</i>							
Ringed Turtle-Dove <i>Streptopelia risoria</i>	I*						
Eurasian Collared-Dove <i>S. decaocto</i>	I						

White-winged Dove <i>Zenaida asiatica</i>					
Mourning Dove <i>Z. macroura</i>					
Passenger Pigeon <i>Ectopistes migratorius</i>	X				
Inca Dove <i>Columbina inca</i>					
Common Ground-Dove <i>C. passerina</i>					
Ruddy Ground-Dove <i>C. talpacoti</i>	A				
White-tipped Dove <i>Leptotila verreauxi</i>					
Ruddy Quail-Dove <i>Geotrygon montana</i>	A				

FAMILY PSITTACIDAE

SUBFAMILY ARINAE

Monk Parakeet <i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>	I				
Carolina Parakeet <i>Conuropsis carolinensis</i>	X				
Green Parakeet <i>Aratinga holochlora</i>					
Red-crowned Parrot <i>Amazona viridigenalis</i>					
Red-ored Parrot <i>A. autumnalis</i>	I*				
Yellow-headed Parrot <i>A. oratrix</i>	I*				

FAMILY CUCULIDAE

SUBFAMILY COCCYZINAE

Black-billed Cuckoo <i>Coccyzus erythrophthalmus</i>					
Yellow-billed Cuckoo <i>C. americanus</i>					
Mangrove Cuckoo <i>C. minor</i>	A				
Dark-billed Cuckoo <i>C. melacoryphus</i>	A				

SUBFAMILY NEOMORPHINAE

Greater Roadrunner <i>Geococcyx californianus</i>					

SUBFAMILY CROTOPHAGINAE

Groove-billed Ani <i>Crotophaga sulcirostris</i>					

FAMILY TYTONIDAE

Barn Owl <i>Tyto alba</i>						

FAMILY STRIGIDAE

Flammulated Owl <i>Otus flammeolus</i>						
Western Screech-Owl <i>Megascops kennicottii</i>						
Eastern Screech-Owl <i>M. asio</i>						
Great Horned Owl <i>Bubo virginianus</i>						
Snowy Owl <i>Nyctea scandiaca</i>	A					
Northern Pygmy-Owl <i>Glaucidium gnoma</i>	A					
Ferruginous Pygmy-Owl <i>G. brasilianum</i>						
Elf Owl <i>Micrathene whitneyi</i>						
Burrowing Owl <i>Athene cunicularia</i>						
Mottled Owl <i>Ciccaba virgata</i>	A					
Spotted Owl <i>Strix occidentalis</i>						
Barred Owl <i>S. varia</i>						
Long-eared Owl <i>Asio otus</i>						
Stygian Owl <i>A. stygius</i>	A					
Short-eared Owl <i>A. flammeus</i>						
Northern Saw-whet Owl <i>Aegolius acadicus</i>	A					

FAMILY CAPRIMULGIDAE

SUBFAMILY CHORDEILINAE

Lesser Nighthawk <i>Chordeiles acutipennis</i>						
Common Nighthawk <i>C. minor</i>						

SUBFAMILY CAPRIMULGINAE

Common Pauraque <i>Nyctidromus albicollis</i>						
Common Poorwill <i>Phalaenoptilus nuttallii</i>						
Chuck-will's-widow <i>Caprimulgus carolinensis</i>						
Whip-poor-will <i>C. vociferus</i>						

FAMILY APODIDAE

SUBFAMILY CYPSELOIDINAE

Black Swift <i>Cypseloides niger</i>	A*						
White-collared Swift <i>Streptoprocne zonaris</i>	A						
SUBFAMILY CHAETURINAE							
Chimney Swift <i>Chaetura pelagica</i>							
Vaux's Swift <i>C. vauxi</i>	H						
SUBFAMILY APODINAE							
White-throated Swift <i>Aeronautes saxatalis</i>							

FAMILY TROCHILIDAE

SUBFAMILY TROCHILINAE

Green Violet-ear <i>Colibri thalassinus</i>	A						
Green-breasted Mango <i>Anthracothorax prevostii</i>	A						
Antillean Crested Hummingbird <i>Orthorhynchus cristatus</i>	H						
Broad-billed Hummingbird <i>Cyananthus latirostris</i>							
White-eared Hummingbird <i>Hylocharis leucotis</i>	A						
Berylline Hummingbird <i>Amazilia beryllina</i>	A						
Rufous-tailed Hummingbird <i>A. tzacatl</i>	H*						
Buff-bellied Hummingbird <i>A. yucatanensis</i>							
Violet-crowned Hummingbird <i>A. violiceps</i>	A						
Blue-throated Hummingbird <i>Lampornis clemenciae</i>							
Magnificent Hummingbird <i>Eugenes fulgens</i>							
Lucifer Hummingbird <i>Calothorax lucifer</i>							
Ruby-throated Hummingbird <i>Archilochus colubris</i>							
Black-chinned Hummingbird <i>A. alexandri</i>							
Anna's Hummingbird <i>Calypte anna</i>							
Costa's Hummingbird <i>C. costae</i>	A						
Calliope Hummingbird <i>Stellula calliope</i>							

Broad-tailed Hummingbird <i>Selasphorus platycercus</i>					
Rufous Hummingbird <i>S. rufus</i>					
Allen's Hummingbird <i>S. sasin</i>					

FAMILY TROGONIDAE
SUBFAMILY TROGONINAE

Elegant Trogon <i>Trogon elegans</i>	A				

FAMILY ALCEDINIDAE
SUBFAMILY CERLYINAE

Ringed Kingfisher <i>Ceryle torquatus</i>					
Belted Kingfisher <i>C. alcyon</i>					
Green Kingfisher <i>Chloroceryle americana</i>					

FAMILY PICIDAE
SUBFAMILY PICINAE

Lewis's Woodpecker <i>Melanerpes lewis</i>					
Red-headed Woodpecker <i>M. erythrocephalus</i>					
Acorn Woodpecker <i>M. formicivorus</i>					
Golden-fronted Woodpecker <i>M. aurifrons</i>					
Red-bellied Woodpecker <i>M. carolinus</i>					
Williamson's Sapsucker <i>Sphyrapicus thyroideus</i>					
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker <i>S. varius</i>					
Red-naped Sapsucker <i>S. nuchalis</i>					
Red-breasted Sapsucker <i>S. ruber</i>	A				
Ladder-backed Woodpecker <i>Picoides scalaris</i>					
Downy Woodpecker <i>P. pubescens</i>					
Hairy Woodpecker <i>P. villosus</i>					
Red-cockaded Woodpecker <i>P. borealis</i>					
Northern Flicker <i>Colaptes auratus</i>					
Pileated Woodpecker <i>Dryocopus pileatus</i>					
Ivory-billed Woodpecker <i>Campephilus principalis</i>	E				

FAMILY TYRANNIDAE
SUBFAMILY ELAENIINAE

Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet <i>Camptostoma imberbe</i>					
Greenish Elaenia <i>Myiopagis viridicata</i>	A				
SUBFAMILY FLUVICOLINAE					
Tufted Flycatcher <i>Mitrephanes phaeocercus</i>	A				
Olive-sided Flycatcher <i>Contopus cooperi</i>					
Greater Pewee <i>C. pertinax</i>	A				
Western Wood-Pewee <i>C. sordidulus</i>					
Eastern Wood-Pewee <i>C. virens</i>					
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher <i>Empidonax flaviventris</i>					
Acadian Flycatcher <i>E. virescens</i>					
Alder Flycatcher <i>E. alnorum</i>					
Willow Flycatcher <i>E. traillii</i>					
Least Flycatcher <i>E. minimus</i>					
Hammond's Flycatcher <i>E. hammondii</i>					
Gray Flycatcher <i>E. wrightii</i>					
Dusky Flycatcher <i>E. oberholseri</i>					
Cordilleran Flycatcher <i>E. occidentalis</i>					
Buff-breasted Flycatcher <i>E. fulvifrons</i>	A				
Black Phoebe <i>Sayornis nigricans</i>					
Eastern Phoebe <i>S. phoebe</i>					
Say's Phoebe <i>S. saya</i>					
Vermilion Flycatcher <i>Pyrocephalus rubinus</i>					
SUBFAMILY TYRANNINAE					
Dusky-capped Flycatcher <i>Myiarchus tuberculifer</i>	A				
Ash-throated Flycatcher <i>M. cinerascens</i>					
Great Crested Flycatcher <i>M. crinitus</i>					

Brown-crested Flycatcher <i>M. tyrannulus</i>					
Great Kiskadee <i>Pitangus sulphuratus</i>					
Social Flycatcher <i>Myiozetetes similis</i>	A*				
Sulphur-bellied Flycatcher <i>Myiodynastes luteiventris</i>	A				
Piratic Flycatcher <i>Legatus leucophaeus</i>	A				
Tropical Kingbird <i>Tyrannus melancholicus</i>					
Couch's Kingbird <i>T. couchii</i>					
Cassin's Kingbird <i>T. vociferans</i>					
Thick-billed Kingbird <i>T. crassirostris</i>	A				
Western Kingbird <i>T. verticalis</i>					
Eastern Kingbird <i>T. tyrannus</i>					
Gray Kingbird <i>T. dominicensis</i>	A				
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher <i>T. forficatus</i>					
Fork-tailed Flycatcher <i>T. savana</i>	A				
GENERA INCERTAE SEDIS					
Rose-throated Becard <i>Pachyramphus aglaiae</i>	A				
Masked Tityra <i>Tityra semifasciata</i>	A				

FAMILY LANIIDAE

SUBFAMILY LANIINAE

Loggerhead Shrike <i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>					
Northern Shrike <i>L. excubitor</i>					

FAMILY VIREONIDAE

SUBFAMILY VIREONINAE

White-eyed Vireo <i>Vireo griseus</i>					
Bell's Vireo <i>V. bellii</i>					
Black-capped Vireo <i>V. atricapilla</i>					
Gray Vireo <i>V. vicinior</i>					
Yellow-throated Vireo <i>V. flavifrons</i>					
Plumbeous Vireo <i>V. plumbeus</i>					

Cassin's Vireo <i>V. cassinii</i>					
Blue-headed Vireo <i>V. solitarius</i>					
Hutton's Vireo <i>V. huttoni</i>					
Warbling Vireo <i>V. gilvus</i>					
Philadelphia Vireo <i>V. philadelphicus</i>					
Red-eyed Vireo <i>V. olivaceus</i>					
Yellow-green Vireo <i>V. flavoviridis</i>					
Black-whiskered Vireo <i>V. altiloquus</i>	A				
Yucatan Vireo <i>V. magister</i>	A				

FAMILY CORVIDAE

Steller's Jay <i>Cyanocitta stelleri</i>					
Blue Jay <i>C. cristata</i>					
Green Jay <i>Cyanocorax yncas</i>					
Brown Jay <i>C. morio</i>					
Western Scrub-Jay <i>Aphelocoma californica</i>					
Mexican Jay <i>A. ultramarina</i>					
Pinyon Jay <i>Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus</i>					
Clark's Nutcracker <i>Nucifraga columbiana</i>	A				
Black-billed Magpie <i>Pica hudsonia</i>	A				
American Crow <i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i>					
Tamaulipas Crow <i>C. imparatus</i>	A				
Fish Crow <i>C. ossifragus</i>					
Chihuahuan Raven <i>C. cryptoleucus</i>					
Common Raven <i>C. corax</i>					

FAMILY ALAUDIDAE

Horned Lark <i>Eremophila alpestris</i>					

FAMILY HIRUNDINIDAE
SUBFAMILY HIRUNDININAE

Purple Martin <i>Progne subis</i>	A						
Gray-breasted Martin <i>P. chalybea</i>							
Tree Swallow <i>Tachycineta bicolor</i>							
Violet-green Swallow <i>T. thalassina</i>							
Northern Rough-winged Swallow <i>Stelgidopteryx serripennis</i>							
Bank Swallow <i>Riparia riparia</i>							
Cliff Swallow <i>Petrochelidon pyrrhonota</i>							
Cave Swallow <i>P. fulva</i>							
Barn Swallow <i>Hirundo rustica</i>							

FAMILY PARIDAE

Carolina Chickadee <i>Poecile carolinensis</i>	A						
Black-capped Chickadee <i>P. atricapillus</i>							
Mountain Chickadee <i>P. gambeli</i>							
Juniper Titmouse <i>Baeolophus ridgwayi</i>							
Tufted Titmouse <i>B. bicolor</i>							
Black-crested Titmouse <i>B. atricristatus</i>							

FAMILY REMIZIDAE

Verdin <i>Auriparus flaviceps</i>							

FAMILY AEGITHALIDAE

Bushtit <i>Psaltriparus minimus</i>							

FAMILY SITTIDAE
SUBFAMILY SITTINAE

Red-breasted Nuthatch <i>Sitta canadensis</i>							
White-breasted Nuthatch <i>S. carolinensis</i>							
Pygmy Nuthatch <i>S. pygmaea</i>							

Brown-headed Nuthatch <i>S. pusilla</i>					

FAMILY CERTHIIDAE
SUBFAMILY CERTHIINAE

Brown Creeper <i>Certhia americana</i>					

FAMILY TROGLODYTIDAE

Cactus Wren <i>Campylorhynchus brunneicapillus</i>					
Rock Wren <i>Salpinctes obsoletus</i>					
Canyon Wren <i>Catherpes mexicanus</i>					
Carolina Wren <i>Thryothorus ludovicianus</i>					
Bewick's Wren <i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>					
House Wren <i>Troglodytes aedon</i>					
Winter Wren <i>T. troglodytes</i>					
Sedge Wren <i>Cistothorus platensis</i>					
Marsh Wren <i>C. palustris</i>					

FAMILY CINCLIDAE

American Dipper <i>Cinclus mexicanus</i>	A				

FAMILY REGULIDAE

Golden-crowned Kinglet <i>Regulus satrapa</i>					
Ruby-crowned Kinglet <i>R. calendula</i>					

FAMILY SYLVIIDAE
SUBFAMILY POLIOPTILINAE

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher <i>Polioptila caerulea</i>					
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher <i>P. melanura</i>					
Black-capped Gnatcatcher <i>P. nigriceps</i>	H				

FAMILY TURDIDAE

Northern Wheatear <i>Oenanthe oenanthe</i>	A								
Eastern Bluebird <i>Sialia sialis</i>									
Western Bluebird <i>S. mexicana</i>									
Mountain Bluebird <i>S. currucoides</i>									
Townsend's Solitaire <i>Myadestes townsendi</i>									
Orange-billed Nightingale-Thrush <i>Catharus aurantiirostris</i>	A								
Black-headed Nightingale-Thrush <i>C. mexicanus</i>	A								
Veery <i>C. fuscescens</i>									
Gray-cheeked Thrush <i>C. minimus</i>									
Swainson's Thrush <i>C. ustulatus</i>									
Hermit Thrush <i>C. guttatus</i>									
Wood Thrush <i>Hylocichla mustelina</i>									
Clay-colored Robin <i>Turdus grayi</i>									
White-throated Robin <i>T. assimilis</i>	A								
Rufous-backed Robin <i>T. rufopalliatus</i>	A								
American Robin <i>T. migratorius</i>									
Varied Thrush <i>Ixoreus naevius</i>	A								
Aztec Thrush <i>Ridgwayia pinicola</i>	A								

FAMILY MIMIDAE

Gray Catbird <i>Dumetella carolinensis</i>									
Black Catbird <i>Melanoptila glabrirostris</i>	A								
Northern Mockingbird <i>Mimus polyglottos</i>									
Sage Thrasher <i>Oreoscoptes montanus</i>									
Brown Thrasher <i>Toxostoma rufum</i>									
Long-billed Thrasher <i>T. longirostre</i>									
Curve-billed Thrasher <i>T. curvirostre</i>									
Crissal Thrasher <i>T. crissale</i>									

Blue Mockingbird <i>Melanotis caerulescens</i>	A						

FAMILY STURNIDAE

European Starling <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	I						

FAMILY MOTACILLIDAE

American Pipit <i>Anthus rubescens</i>							
Sprague's Pipit <i>A. spragueii</i>							

FAMILY BOMBYCILLIDAE

Bohemian Waxwing <i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>	A						
Cedar Waxwing <i>B. cedrorum</i>							

FAMILY PTILOGONATIDAE

Gray Silky-flycatcher <i>Ptilogonys cinereus</i>	A						
Phainopepla <i>Phainopepla nitens</i>							

FAMILY PEUCEDRAMIDAE

Olive Warbler <i>Peucedramus taeniatus</i>	A						

FAMILY PARULIDAE

Bachman's Warbler <i>Vermivora bachmanii</i>	H*						
Blue-winged Warbler <i>V. pinus</i>							
Golden-winged Warbler <i>V. chrysoptera</i>							
Tennessee Warbler <i>V. peregrina</i>							
Orange-crowned Warbler <i>V. celata</i>							
Nashville Warbler <i>V. ruficapilla</i>							
Virginia's Warbler <i>V. virginiae</i>							
Colima Warbler <i>V. crissalis</i>							

Ovenbird <i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i>					
Northern Waterthrush <i>S. noveboracensis</i>					
Louisiana Waterthrush <i>S. motacilla</i>					
Kentucky Warbler <i>Oporornis formosus</i>					
Connecticut Warbler <i>O. agilis</i>	A				
Mourning Warbler <i>O. philadelphia</i>					
MacGillivray's Warbler <i>O. tolmiei</i>					
Common Yellowthroat <i>Geothlypis trichas</i>					
Gray-crowned Yellowthroat <i>G. poliocephala</i>	A				
Hooded Warbler <i>Wilsonia citrina</i>					
Wilson's Warbler <i>W. pusilla</i>					
Canada Warbler <i>W. canadensis</i>					
Red-faced Warbler <i>Cardellina rubrifrons</i>	A				
Painted Redstart <i>Myioborus pictus</i>					
Slate-throated Redstart <i>M. miniatus</i>	A				
Golden-crowned Warbler <i>Basileuterus culicivorus</i>	A				
Rufous-capped Warbler <i>B. rufifrons</i>	A				
Yellow-breasted Chat <i>Icteria virens</i>					

FAMILY THRAUPIDAE

Hepatic Tanager <i>Piranga flava</i>					
Summer Tanager <i>P. rubra</i>					
Scarlet Tanager <i>P. olivacea</i>					
Western Tanager <i>P. ludoviciana</i>					
Flame-colored Tanager <i>P. bidentata</i>	A				

FAMILY EMBERIZIDAE

White-collared Seedeater <i>Sporophila torqueola</i>					
Yellow-faced Grassquit <i>Tiaris olivacea</i>	A				

Olive Sparrow <i>Arremonops rufivirgatus</i>					
Green-tailed Towhee <i>Pipilo chlorurus</i>					
Spotted Towhee <i>P. maculatus</i>					
Eastern Towhee <i>P. erythrophthalmus</i>					
Canyon Towhee <i>P. fuscus</i>					
Abert's Towhee <i>P. aberti</i>	H*				
Cassin's Sparrow <i>Aimophila cassinii</i>					
Bachman's Sparrow <i>A. aestivalis</i>					
Botteri's Sparrow <i>A. botterii</i>					
Rufous-crowned Sparrow <i>A. ruficeps</i>					
American Tree Sparrow <i>Spizella arborea</i>					
Chipping Sparrow <i>S. passerina</i>					
Clay-colored Sparrow <i>S. pallida</i>					
Brewer's Sparrow <i>S. breweri</i>					
Field Sparrow <i>S. pusilla</i>					
Black-chinned Sparrow <i>S. atrogularis</i>					
Vesper Sparrow <i>Poocetes gramineus</i>					
Lark Sparrow <i>Chondestes grammacus</i>					
Black-throated Sparrow <i>Amphispiza bilineata</i>					
Sage Sparrow <i>A. belli</i>					
Lark Bunting <i>Calamospiza melanocorys</i>					
Savannah Sparrow <i>Passerculus sandwichensis</i>					
Grasshopper Sparrow <i>Ammodramus savannarum</i>					
Baird's Sparrow <i>A. bairdii</i>	A				
Henslow's Sparrow <i>A. henslowii</i>					
Le Conte's Sparrow <i>A. leconteii</i>					
Nelson's Sharp-tailed Sparrow <i>A. nelsoni</i>					
Seaside Sparrow <i>A. maritimus</i>					
Fox Sparrow <i>Passerella iliaca</i>					

Song Sparrow <i>Melospiza melodia</i>					
Lincoln's Sparrow <i>M. lincolni</i>					
Swamp Sparrow <i>M. georgiana</i>					
White-throated Sparrow <i>Zonotrichia albicollis</i>					
Harris's Sparrow <i>Z. querula</i>					
White-crowned Sparrow <i>Z. leucophrys</i>					
Golden-crowned Sparrow <i>Z. atricapilla</i>	A				
Dark-eyed Junco <i>Junco hyemalis</i>					
Yellow-eyed Junco <i>J. phaeonotus</i>	A				
McCown's Longspur <i>Calcarius mccownii</i>					
Lapland Longspur <i>C. lapponicus</i>					
Smith's Longspur <i>C. pictus</i>					
Chestnut-collared Longspur <i>C. ornatus</i>					
Snow Bunting <i>Plectrophenax nivalis</i>	A				

FAMILY CARDINALIDAE

Crimson-collared Grosbeak <i>Rhodothraupis celaeno</i>	A				
Northern Cardinal <i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i>					
Pyrrhuloxia <i>C. sinuatus</i>					
Rose-breasted Grosbeak <i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>					
Black-headed Grosbeak <i>P. melanocephalus</i>					
Blue Bunting <i>Cyanocompsa parellina</i>	A				
Blue Grosbeak <i>Passerina caerulea</i>					
Lazuli Bunting <i>P. amoena</i>					
Indigo Bunting <i>P. cyanea</i>					
Varied Bunting <i>P. versicolor</i>					
Painted Bunting <i>P. ciris</i>					
Dickcissel <i>Spiza americana</i>					

FAMILY ICTERIDAE

Bobolink <i>Dolichonyx oryzivorus</i>						
Red-winged Blackbird <i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i>						
Eastern Meadowlark <i>Sturnella magna</i>						
Western Meadowlark <i>S. neglecta</i>						
Yellow-headed Blackbird <i>Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus</i>						
Rusty Blackbird <i>Euphagus carolinus</i>						
Brewer's Blackbird <i>E. cyanocephalus</i>						
Common Grackle <i>Quiscalus quiscula</i>						
Boat-tailed Grackle <i>Q. major</i>						
Great-tailed Grackle <i>Q. mexicanus</i>						
Shiny Cowbird <i>Molothrus bonariensis</i>	A					
Bronzed Cowbird <i>M. aeneus</i>						
Brown-headed Cowbird <i>M. ater</i>						
Black-vented Oriole <i>Icterus wagleri</i>	A					
Orchard Oriole <i>I. spurius</i>						
Hooded Oriole <i>I. cucullatus</i>						
Streak-backed Oriole <i>I. pustulatus</i>	A					
Bullock's Oriole <i>I. bullockii</i>						
Altamira Oriole <i>I. gularis</i>						
Audubon's Oriole <i>I. graduacauda</i>						
Baltimore Oriole <i>I. galbula</i>						
Scott's Oriole <i>I. parisorum</i>						

FAMILY FRINGILLIDAE

SUBFAMILY CARDUELINAE

Pine Grosbeak <i>Pinicola enucleator</i>	A					
Purple Finch <i>Carpodacus purpureus</i>						
Cassin's Finch <i>C. cassinii</i>						
House Finch <i>C. mexicanus</i>						

Red Crossbill <i>Loxia curvirostra</i>					
White-winged Crossbill <i>L. leucoptera</i>	A				
Common Redpoll <i>Carduelis flammea</i>	A				
Pine Siskin <i>C. pinus</i>					
Lesser Goldfinch <i>C. psaltria</i>					
Lawrence's Goldfinch <i>C. lawrencei</i>	A				
American Goldfinch <i>C. tristis</i>					
Evening Grosbeak <i>Coccothraustes vespertinus</i>					

FAMILY PASSERIDAE

House Sparrow <i>Passer domesticus</i>	I				

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DOCUMENTING RARE BIRDS IN TEXAS

There are some species for which documentation is always requested. These species are designated as accidental or hypothetical in the body of the checklist. Of course, details are requested for any species not on this list. A tear-out Texas Bird Records Committee report form is provided here for documenting Texas rarities. Whenever possible, the submission of photographs should accompany the form. The value of a photograph cannot be overestimated as a method of confirming a rare species. A simple sketch, however, can be nearly as valuable (no matter what you may think of its artistic value). Preferably, sketches should be done at the time of the sighting, or as close to it as possible, rather than later. It is important to note, however, that any documentation, even if it is late and even if you are the fiftieth person who has seen it, can be a valuable contribution and is appreciated. There can never be too much documentation for a rare bird. After sighting information is submitted, it is then further evaluated by the Texas Bird Records Committee (TBRC), a standing committee of the Texas Ornithological Society. Your participation in adding to our state's growing body of ornithological information is very much encouraged.

TEXAS ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY
Texas Bird Records Committee
Report Form

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of rare or unusual birds. It may be used flexibly and need not be used at all except as a guideline. Attach additional sheets as necessary. PLEASE PRINT IN BLACK INK OR TYPE. Attach drawings, photos, etc., if possible. When complete, mail to: Mark Lockwood, 402 E. Harriet Ave., Alpine, Texas 79830, OR Dr. Keith Arnold, Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2258. Thank you!

1. Common and Scientific name: _____

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g. two adults in breeding plumage): _____
3. Location: _____
_____ County: _____, TX.
4. Date and Time when observed: _____
5. Reporting observer and address: _____

6. Other observers: _____

7. Light conditions: _____
8. Optical Equipment: _____
9. Distance to bird: _____
10. Duration of Observation: _____
11. Habitat (be specific): _____

12. Description: (Include only what was actually seen, not what "should have been seen.") Include, if possible, body bulk, shape, bill, eye, plumage pattern, color and other physical characteristics. Describe voice, behavior and anything else that might help identify the bird.

13. How were similar species eliminated? _____

14. Was it photographed? By whom? Attached? _____

15. Previous experience with species: _____

16. List any books or references used in identification:
 (a) at time of observation _____
 (b) after observation _____

17. This description written from:
 (a) notes made during observation _____
 (b) notes made after observation _____
 (c) memory _____

18. Are you positive of your observation? _____. If not, explain: _____

19. Signature of reporter along with date and time of writing this account:

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