

THE WATERFOWL MIGRATION IS PEAKING FOR DIVING DUCKS AND GEESE AND EVEN GOOD NUMBERS OF DABBLERS ARE MOVING INTO THE STATE. THE TOP BIRDS ARE CINNAMON TEAL IN THE SOUTHWEST AND LESSER BLACK BACKED GULL IN THE NORTHEAST.

ALONG THE STATE'S EASTERN BORDER, THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER IS ENTIRELY OPEN, AND LARGE NUMBERS OF WATERFOWL AND GULLS ARE PRESENT. <sup>IN THE SOUTHEAST</sup> AT SABULA IN JACKSON COUNTY, AN ADULT LESSER BLACK BACKED GULL WAS WITH HERONS AND RING BILLED AT THE SOUTH SABULA LAKES COUNTY PARK, ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup>. ALSO SEEN IN THE SABULA AREA WERE AT LEAST A DOZEN GREAT BLUE HERONS AND SEVERAL TURKEY VULTURES. POOL #13 NORTH OF CLINTON WAS FLOODED WITH DIVING DUCKS AND GULLS, WHILE AT GREEN ISLAND WILDLIFE AREA, THERE ARE LARGE NUMBERS OF WATERFOWL, ESPECIALLY CANADA GEESE.

IN THE SOUTHWEST, THE EURASIAN WILSON, FIRST REPORTED ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup>, WAS NOT SEEN AFTER THAT DATE AT RIVINGTON WILDLIFE AREA IN FREMONT COUNTY. ON THE 9<sup>TH</sup>, THE DRAKE CINNAMON TEAL, ALONG WITH A TOTAL OF 19 WATERFOWL SPECIES WERE OBSERVED FOR THE MOST PART JUST NORTH OF THE MAIN EAST-WEST DIKE.

IN THE SOUTHEAST, ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> 12 SPECIES OF DUCKS, <sup>INCLUDING GREATER SCAUP</sup> AND 3 SPECIES OF GEESE INCLUDING WHITE

FRONTED WERE PRESENT AT CONE MARSH, LOUISA COUNTY, MOSTLY IN THE NORTHWEST PORTION OF THE MARSH. IN ADDITION, A BROWN'S BLACKBIRD WAS SEEN ALONG THE EAST SIDE. THAT SAME DAY, AN ADDITIONAL 4 DUCK SPECIES WERE COUNTED AT THE CORALVILLE RESERVOIR, IN JACKSON COUNTY, AND <sup>ON THE 9TH</sup> THE FIRST REPORT OF RED BREASTED MERGANSERS CAME FROM THE SOUTH ARM OF LAKE MACCRIVE EAST OF THE CAUSEWAY. ALSO ON THE 9TH, <sup>2</sup> AT FIRST WINTER TRAYER'S Gulls WERE PICKED OUT ~~AT~~ THE TWIN VEIN HEIGHTS AREA OF THE CORALVILLE RESERVOIR AND 29 BALD EAGLES WERE ~~counted~~ STILL PRESENT AT THE BABCOCK ACCESS THERE. A SURE SIGN OF SPRING WAS A DISPLAYING WOODCOCK AT THE 4 LAKES NORTH OF BURLINGTON ON THE 8TH; AND A GOLDEN CROWNED KINGLET WAS, <sup>ALSO</sup> SEEN NEAR BURLINGTON ON THE 10TH.

IN THE CENTRAL AT UNION GROVE STATE PARK IN TAMPA COUNTY THERE WERE 9 GREATER SCAUP ON THE 7TH, AND <sup>IN STONEY COUNTRY AT</sup> ~~AT~~ WINDRICKSON MARSH ON THE 9TH THE 2 TRUMPETER SWANS WERE STILL PRESENT, AND THERE WERE 11 SPECIES OF DUCKS, 3 GOOSE SPECIES INCLUDING <sup>60</sup> WHITE FRONTED, A COOT, <sup>AND</sup> A LATE NORTHERN SPIRKE. ~~IN ADDITION,~~

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