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Dear Tom,

It must be field reports time. The enclosed list of wildlife management areas includes most of the marshes, lakes, etc in Iowa and I thought it might be of use to you. Unfortunately it is arranged by county rather than a general alphabetical listing.

My winter observations are plenty brief. Just didn't get out much this year.

- Cooper's Hawk one was reported to me by Willie Suchy, a former student here. He saw it near Lucas, Lucas Co on 18 Jan while he was watching turkeys from a blind (for the ICC) and he had a good look at the bird
- Prairie Falcon see the attached documentation. About all I can say is that Kevin has worked out west for several summers including a fair amount of work with raptors and he has seen Prairie Falcons before
- American Coot one straggler at Saylorville Dam, 14 Dec 1981 JJD
- Ring-billed Gull 2000 at Saylorville Dam on 6 Dec and 600-700 still there on 14 Dec both JJD
- Bonaparte's Gull about 4 at Saylorville Dam on 14 Dec JJD
- Snowy Owl one seen near Lime Springs, Howard Co on 24 and also on 27 Dec 1981 by Ron Munkel, another former student of ours
- Saw whet Owl one or two seen at Ledges State Park by many throughout Jan and as recently as 20 Feb many observers including JJD
- Red-shafted Flicker (Common Flicker) one was seen NW of Story City, Story Co on 21 Feb 1982 by George and Gordon Brown and Steve Dinsmore
- Common Crow up to 1400 roosting on Iowa State Campus, saw the 1400 on 17 Feb but big flocks have been here all winter. Might be worth noting with the start of a hunting season on crows this year.
- White-winged Crossbill up to 10 at Clear Lake from 10 Jan to early Feb fide Bill Ohde, one of my former students.

Jim