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Turkey Vulture -- 2 birds fledged from nest in hollow stump in Northern
Mills County mentioned in spring report

Black Terns--4--Prairie Rose State Park--July 15 & 16--Tanya Bray
PLUS those mentioned in Barb Wilson's report

Common Tern-1-Prairie Rose State Park-Shelby County-July 15 & 16--

Yellow-billed Cuckoo-apparently both cuckoos are more common than in recent years previous

Ruby-throated Hummingbirds--NONE--absolutely no reports spring or summer--I even called some local garden clubs to see if the memberships had noticed any

Red-headed Woodpecker -- abundant

Hairy Woodpecker -- no sightings

Purple Martin -- present in comparable numbers

Eastern Bluebird--only 3 pairs reported PLUS those mentioned in Barb Wilson's report

Loggerhead Shrike--3--sighted continuously from July 8--east of Missouri Valley, Iowa, Harrison County PLUS those mentioned in Barb Wilson's report

Bell's Vireo-apparently fewer nesting than last year-at least two
of my preferred Bell's Vireo spots were apparently unused
this summer although birds were present in them earlier in
the spring

Warbling Vireo -- after a heavy spring migration, the consensus is fewer nesting pairs

Yellow Warbler--contrary to expectations, we feel there are fewer nests than last year

Grasshopper Sparrow--l nest sighted in Pony Creek Watershed area of
Mills County by Tim Blount--we don't sense a
decrease from last year

Dickcissel -- no apparent decrease, although arrival was later than usual

Black-capped Chickadee--striking decrease in numbers--everyone is commenting on the difficulty in locating chickadees

Downy Woodpecker -- relatively fewer than in years past, although not so startling a decrease as in Black-capped Chickadees

Bobolinks -- present in larger numbers than usual in Pottawattamie and Mills Counties