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Laurens, IaYear: 1986

UNUSUALLY Wet in this Area + Rather Cool

SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - COMMENTS - OTHER OBSERVERS
Common Loon	4	5/13	Lost Island Lake Palo Alto Co. Observed for about 20 min with field glasses + Spotting Scope All 4 were in winter plumage
✓	1	5/24	Lost Island Lake Palo Alto Co. Observed for about 10 min 1 loon in Adult Plumage
Double Crested Cormorants			More than usual for around here
Cattle Egret	1	5/5	(1) in breeding plumage landed in flooded field 1/2 mi East of Laurens. Stayed about 10 min.
Lesser Golden Plover	100's	5/1 to 5/29	Most I've ever seen - lots of flooded fields Pastures - flocks of 100-200 Not uncommon
Willet	1	4/27	Flooded Pasture 1 mile E of Laurens - 4 or 5 then about 10 days later
Upland Sandpiper	2	5/2	About 9 miles N of Laurens on County Road N 28
Hudsonian Godwit	2	5/19	ON Flooded Field 1 mi East of Laurens Three for several evenings
Dunlin	5	4/30	1 mile East Laurens - Flooded Pasture
Long billed Dowitcher	5	4/30	1 mi East Laurens - Flood Pasture - Tail Darker than short billed Dowitcher - Sides barred rather than spotted - A group of 5 around for at least 2 weeks
Wilson's Phalarope	3	4/27	1 to 3 on Flooded Pasture on about 3 weeks
Great Horned Owls	4	5/4	2 fledged owls at Sunken Grove Poc Co
		5/13	2 fledged owls at Huslow Park Lost Island Lake
Whip Poor Will	1	5/13	Flying North Shore Lost Island Lake Palo Alto Co
Belt's Vireo	1	5/20	1 in mist net 318 Garfield Laurens Measured and observed closely - Not Solitary <sup>Used</sup>
Bewick's Wren	1	4/27	In wind break - larger than house wren - light eye line's white + underneath