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Dear Jim,

It was an interesting summer; wet then dry. Moeckly Prairie was the interesting spot with the lake so high. That is what I shot 7/7 when it went bone dry. But it makes me wonder what a central Iowa wetland could be like.

P. B. Grebe - one present on 6/11 at Moeckly

Cormorant - 1 at Saylorville 6/2

Heron, GB - I counted 45 nests on 7/14, after the water receded. At least 3 large cottonwoods were nearly colonized this year. Most nests were empty by then.

Egret, Great - As early as 6/2 I noted Egrets going in & out of the colony. Six were seen on 6/11. See Steve's report for confirmed nesting activity. I found no nests by 7/14

Teal, B.W - On 6/2 8 male & 2 female teal were seen at various Park locations. On 6/27, 6 male & 2 female were still at Moeckly.

Teal, G.W - 2 (1M, 1F) at Moeckly on 6/27

Shoveler - at least 4M & 2F were at Moeckly until 6/11

Ruddy Duck - A female at Moeckly on 6/27

Coot - 1 at Moeckly on 6/27

Upland Sandpiper - At least 1 pair at Moeckly throughout the period

Laughing Gull - see attached

Black Tern - 1 at Moeckly on 6/11

Pileated Woodpecker - 1 at Sycamore Ocean on 6/2

Phoebe - 2 pairs along Saylorville west side on 7/27

Cliff Swallow - colony size seemed down at several Saylorville locations

Bell's Vireo - 9 (nine) in the shellbills at Big Creek on 6/2  
V.T. Vireo - 2 at Sycamore across 6/2  
Yellow Warbler - 12 on 6/2 in the shellbills  
Yellow-throated Warbler - 2 singing at Sycamore on 6/2  
Chat, Y.B. - 1 on 6/2 at Big Creek

Because of high water, I did not get to the areas  
I usually find Cooper's Hawk, Lincoln Warbler, Prothonotary  
Warbler, Audubon's, Veery, Wood Thrush, Scarlet Tanager,  
Ovenbird.

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