

<i>Ducks, Geese, and Swans</i>	<i>Spr</i>	<i>Sum</i>	<i>Fa</i>	<i>Win</i>
Blk.-bellied Whistling Duck	V			
Trumpeter Swan	R		R	
Tundra Swan	R		R	
Mute Swan **	R	F	R	
Gr. White-fronted Goose	C		C	
Snow Goose (blue & white)	U		U	
Ross's Goose (blue & white)	R		R	
Canada Goose **	A	C	A	R
Cackling Goose	C		C	R
Wood Duck **	A	A	A	
Green-winged Teal *	A	R	A	
American Black Duck	U		U	R
Mallard **	A	C	A	U
Northern Pintail **	A	R	A	R
Blue-winged Teal **	A	C	A	
Northern Shoveler *	A	R	A	R
Gadwall **	A	R	A	U
Eurasian Wigeon	V			
American Wigeon	A	R	A	
Canvasback	C		C	R
Redhead **	F	R	F	R
Ring-necked Duck	A	R	A	R
Greater Scaup	R		R	
Lesser Scaup	A	R	A	R
Long-tailed Duck	R		R	
White-winged Scoter	V			
Common Goldeneye	F		F	U
Bufflehead	C		C	R
Hooded Merganser *	C	R	C	R
Common Merganser	C		C	F
Red-breasted Merganser	U		U	
Ruddy Duck **	A	C	A	
<i>Grouse and Quail</i>				
Ring-necked Pheasant	R	R	R	R
Wild Turkey	R	R	R	R
Northern Bobwhite	R	R	R	R
<i>Grebes</i>				
Pied-billed Grebe **	C	C	C	
Horned Grebe	U		U	
Eared Grebe	R		R	
Western Grebe			R	
<i>Pigeons and Doves</i>				
Rock Pigeon	F	F	F	F
Eurasian Collared Dove	R	R	R	R
Mourning Dove *	C	C	C	C
<i>Cuckoos</i>				
Black-billed Cuckoo * (t)			R	
Yellow-billed Cuckoo *	U	U	U	
<i>Nightjars</i>				
Common Nighthawk	R		R	
Eastern Whip-poor-will *			R	

<i>Swifts and Hummingbirds</i>	<i>Spr</i>	<i>Sum</i>	<i>Fa</i>	<i>Win</i>
Chimney Swift *	F	F	F	
Ruby-throat. Hummingbird *	F	F	F	
<i>Rails, Gallinules, and Coots</i>				
King Rail ** (e)	R	R	R	
Virginia Rail *			U	
Sora *	F	R	F	
Common Gallinule ** (e)			U	
American Coot **	A	A	A	R
<i>Cranes</i>				
Whooping Crane (E)	R		R	
Sandhill Crane *	R	R	R	
<i>Shorebirds</i>				
Black-necked Stilt	R		R	
American Avocet	R		R	
Black-bellied Plover	R		R	
American Golden-Plover	R		R	
Semipalmated Plover	U		U	
Piping Plover (E)(e)	R		R	
Killdeer **	F	F	F	R
Upland Sandpiper (e)	R		R	
Whimbrel	R		R	
Hudsonian Godwit	R		R	
Marbled Godwit	R		R	
Ruddy Turnstone	R		R	
Red Knot (t)	R		R	
Stilt Sandpiper	U		U	
Sanderling	R		R	
Dunlin	U		U	
Baird's Sandpiper	R		R	
Least Sandpiper	F		F	
White-rumped Sandpiper	R		R	
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	R		R	
Pectoral Sandpiper	C		C	
Semipalmated Sandpiper	F		F	
Western Sandpiper	R			
Short-billed Dowitcher	U		U	
Long-billed Dowitcher	R		R	
Wilson's Snipe	F		F	R
American Woodcock	R	R	R	
Spotted Sandpiper *	U	R	U	
Solitary Sandpiper	F		F	
Greater Yellowlegs	F		F	
Willet	R		R	
Lesser Yellowlegs	C		C	
Wilson's Phalarope * (e)	U	R	U	
Red-necked Phalarope	R		R	
<i>Skuas and Jaegers</i>				
Parasitic Jaeger			V	
<i>Gulls and Terns</i>				
Bonaparte's Gull	F		F	
Laughing Gull	V			
Franklin's Gull	U		U	

<i>Gulls and Terns, cont.</i>	<i>Spr</i>	<i>Sum</i>	<i>Fa</i>	<i>Win</i>
Ring-billed Gull	C	C	C	C
Herring Gull	F	R	F	U
Lesser Black-backed Gull	R		R	
Least Tern (E)(e)			R	
Caspian Tern	F	R	F	
Black Tern * (e)	F	R	F	
Common Tern (e)	R		R	
Forster's Tern (e)	U		U	
<i>Loons</i>				
Common Loon	R	R	R	
<i>Cormorants and Anhinga</i>				
Double-crested Cormorant	C	U	C	
Neotropic Cormorant			V	
Anhinga	V			
<i>Pelicans</i>				
White Pelican	A	R	A	
Brown Pelican	V			
<i>Wading Birds</i>				
American Bittern * (e)	R	R	R	
Least Bittern ** (t)			R	
Great Blue Heron	C	C	C	R
Great Egret	C	F	C	
Snowy Egret (e)	R		R	
Little Blue Heron (e)	U		U	
Cattle Egret	R		R	
Green Heron *			U	
Blk-crowned Night-Heron (e)	R	R	R	
White-faced Ibis	V			
<i>Hawks, Eagles, Vultures, and Osprey</i>				
Turkey Vulture	F	F	F	
Osprey (e)	R	R	R	
Bald Eagle **	C	U	C	C
Northern Harrier (e)	F		F	U
Sharp-shinned Hawk	U		U	R
Cooper's Hawk *	U	U	U	U
Red-shouldered Hawk	R		R	
Broad-winged Hawk	R		R	
Red-tailed Hawk **	F	F	F	F
Rough-legged Hawk				U
Golden Eagle	R		R	
<i>Owls</i>				
Barn Owl * (t)	R	R	R	R
Eastern Screech-Owl	R	R	R	R
Great Horned Owl **	U	U	U	U
Barred Owl *	R	R	R	R
Short-eared Owl (e)				U
<i>Kingfishers</i>				
Belted Kingfisher **	U	R	U	R
<i>Woodpeckers</i>				
Red-headed Woodpecker **	F		F	R
Red-bellied Woodpecker **	C	C	C	C
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	U		U	

<i>Woodpeckers, cont.</i>	<i>Spr</i>	<i>Sum</i>	<i>Fa</i>	<i>Win</i>
Downy Woodpecker **	C	C	C	C
Hairy Woodpecker *	U	U	U	U
Northern Flicker **	C	F	C	R
Pileated Woodpecker *	U	U	U	U
<i>Falcons</i>				
American Kestrel *	U	U	U	U
Merlin	R		R	
Peregrine Falcon (E)	R		R	
<i>Tyrant Flycatchers</i>				
Olive-sided Flycatcher	R		R	
Eastern Wood Pewee **	F	R	F	
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	R		R	
Alder Flycatcher	R		R	
Willow Flycatcher *	U	R	U	
Least Flycatcher	U		U	
Eastern Phoebe **	F	U	F	
Great Crested Flycatcher **	F	F	F	
Eastern Kingbird *	F	F	F	
<i>Shrikes</i>				
Loggerhead Shrike (e)	R		R	
<i>Vireos</i>				
White-eyed Vireo *			R	
Bell's Vireo	R	R	R	
Yellow-throated Vireo *	R	R	R	
Blue-headed Vireo	R		R	
Philadelphia Vireo	R		R	
Warbling Vireo **	C	C	C	
Red-eyed Vireo *	U	U	U	
<i>Jays and Crows</i>				
Blue Jay *	C	C	C	
American Crow *	F	F	F	
<i>Larks</i>				
Horned Lark **	U	U	U	U
<i>Swallows</i>				
Purple Martin **	U	U	U	
Tree Swallow **	A	C	A	
N. Rough-winged Swallow*	C	C	C	
Bank Swallow **	A	F	A	
Cliff Swallow	F	R	F	
Barn Swallow **	A	C	A	
<i>Chickadees and Titmice</i>				
Black-capped Chickadee **	C	C	C	C
Tufted Titmouse **	F	F	F	F
<i>Nuthatches, Creepers, and Wrens</i>				
Red-breasted Nuthatch	R		R	
White-breasted Nuthatch **	F	F	F	F
Brown Creeper	U	R	U	R
House Wren **	C	C	C	C
Winter Wren	U		U	R
Sedge Wren *			F	
Marsh Wren **			U	
Carolina Wren *	U	U	U	U

Gnatcatchers and Kinglets

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher *	F	U	F	
Golden-crowned Kinglet	U		U	U
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	F		F	

Thrushes

Eastern Bluebird **	F	R	F	R
Veery *	R	R	R	
Gray-cheeked Thrush	R		R	
Swainson's Thrush	U		U	
Hermit Thrush	U		U	
Wood Thrush *	U	U	U	
American Robin **	A	C	A	F

Mimids, Starlings, Waxwings, and Pipits

Gray Catbird **	C	C	C	
Northern Mockingbird	R	R	R	
Brown Thrasher *	F	F	F	
European Starling **	C	C	C	C
Cedar Waxwing **	F	U	F	
American Pipit	U		U	

Old World Sparrows

House Sparrow *	F	F	F	F
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Finches

Purple Finch	F		F	U
House Finch*	U	U	U	U
American Goldfinch *	F	F	F	F

Longspurs and Snow Bunting

Lapland Longspur				R
Snow Bunting				R

Wood-Warblers

Ovenbird	R		R	
Worm-eating Warbler	R			
Louisiana Waterthrush	R		R	
Northern Waterthrush	U		U	
Golden-winged Warbler	R		R	
Blue-winged Warbler	R		R	
Black-and-white Warbler	R		R	
Prothonotary Warbler *	U	R	R	
Tennessee Warbler	U		U	
Orange-crowned Warbler	R		R	
Nashville Warbler	U		U	
Connecticut Warbler	R			
Mourning Warbler	R		R	
Kentucky Warbler	R		R	
Common Yellowthroat **	C	C	C	
Hooded Warbler	R		R	
American Redstart *	F	U	F	
Cape May Warbler	R		R	
Cerulean Warbler (t)	R		R	
Northern Parula	U	R	U	
Magnolia Warbler	U		U	
Bay-breasted Warbler	R		R	
Blackburnian Warbler	R		R	
Yellow Warbler **	C	C	C	
Chestnut-sided Warbler	R	R	R	

Wood Warblers, cont.

Blackpoll Warbler	R		R	
Black-throated Blue Warbler	R		R	
Palm Warbler	U		U	
Pine Warbler	R		R	
Yellow-rumped Warbler	C		C	R
Yellow-throated Warbler	R		R	
Prairie Warbler	R		R	
Blk-throated Green Warbler	U		U	
Canada Warbler	R		R	
Wilson's Warbler	R		R	
Yellow-breasted Chat	R	R	R	

Towhees, Sparrows, and Juncos

Spotted Towhee	R		R	
Eastern Towhee *	U	U	U	
American Tree Sparrow	A		A	C
Chipping Sparrow **	C	F	C	
Clay-colored Sparrow	R		R	
Field Sparrow **	F	U	F	
Vesper Sparrow **	U	U	U	
Lark Sparrow *	U	R	U	
Savannah Sparrow *	F	U	F	
Grasshopper Sparrow **		C		
Henslow's Sparrow *		U		
LeConte's Sparrow	R		R	
Nelson's Sparrow	R		R	
Fox Sparrow	U		U	R
Song Sparrow **	A	C	A	F
Lincoln's Sparrow	U		U	
Swamp Sparrow *	C	U	C	U
White-throated Sparrow	C		C	R
White-crowned Sparrow	C		C	U
Dark-eyed Junco				C

Tanagers, Grosbeaks, and Buntings

Summer Tanager	R		R	
Scarlet Tanager	U	R	U	
Northern Cardinal **	C	C	C	C
Rose-breasted Grosbeak **	C	F	C	
Blue Grosbeak	R		R	
Indigo Bunting **	C	C	C	
Dickcissel **		C		

Blackbirds and Orioles

Bobolink	U		U	
Red-winged Blackbird **	A	C	A	U
Eastern Meadowlark *	U	U	U	
Western Meadowlark *		R		
Yellow-headed Blackbird ** (e)		U		
Rusty Blackbird	F		F	U
Brewer's Blackbird	R		R	
Common Grackle **	A	C	A	R
Brown-headed Cowbird *	C	C	C	U
Orchard Oriole **		R		
Baltimore Oriole **	C	F	C	

KEY

V = vagrant (E) = federally endangered
R = rare (T) = federally threatened
U = uncommon (e) = state-endangered
F = fairly common (t) = state-threatened
C = common
A = abundant
* = possible or likely breeder at the site
** = confirmed breeder at the site

Date: _____

Time: _____

Weather: _____

Notes: _____

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About the Refuge

The Dixon Waterfowl Refuge is a restoration project of the Wetlands Initiative, a nonprofit organization dedicated to restoring the wetland resources of the Midwest to improve water quality, increase wildlife habitat and biodiversity, and reduce flood damage.

Since 2001, 276 bird species have been observed here, including 22 state-threatened or endangered birds, and 57 species are confirmed breeding at the site.



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Yellow-headed Blackbird

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