## **BIRD CHECKLIST**

Clinton Prairie SNA





|                              | Sp  | S        | F W |                          | Sp | S | F V | ١ |
|------------------------------|-----|----------|-----|--------------------------|----|---|-----|---|
| DUCKS, GEESE, AND SWANS      |     |          |     | CORMORANTS               |    |   |     | • |
| Canada Goose                 | Χ   | Χ        | X   | Double-crested Cormorant |    |   | Χ   |   |
| Blue-winged Teal             | Χ   | Χ        | X   | PELICANS                 |    |   |     |   |
| Northern Shoveler            | Χ   | Χ        |     | American White Pelican   |    | Χ |     |   |
| Gadwall                      | Χ   | Χ        | X   | HERONS AND EGRETS        |    |   |     |   |
| American Wigeon              | Χ   |          |     | Great Egret              |    | Χ | Χ   |   |
| Mallard                      | Χ   | Χ        | X   | HAWKS AND EAGLES         |    |   |     |   |
| Northern Pintail             | Χ   | Χ        |     | Northern Harrier         | Χ  |   | Χ   |   |
| Canvasback                   | Χ   |          |     | Swainson's Hawk          |    | Χ |     |   |
| Redhead                      | Χ   | Χ        | X   | Red-tailed Hawk          |    | Χ | Χ   |   |
| Ring-necked Duck             | Χ   |          | X   | WOODPECKERS              |    |   |     |   |
| Lesser Scaup                 | Χ   |          |     | Northern Flicker         |    |   | Χ   |   |
| Ruddy Duck                   | Χ   | Χ        | X   | FALCONS                  |    |   |     |   |
| GROUSE, TURKEYS, AND PHEASA  | NTS |          |     | American Kestrel         |    | Χ |     |   |
| Ring-necked Pheasant         | X   | Χ        | X   | TYRANT FLYCATCHERS       |    |   |     | • |
| GREBES                       |     |          |     | Least Flycatcher         | Χ  |   |     |   |
| Pied-billed Grebe            | X   | Χ        | X   | Western Kingbird         |    | Х |     |   |
| PIGEONS AND DOVES            |     |          |     | Eastern Kingbird         |    | Χ |     |   |
| Rock Pigeon                  |     |          | X   | VIREOS                   |    |   |     |   |
| Mourning Dove                | Х   | Х        | X   | Warbling Vireo           | Χ  | Χ |     |   |
| RAILS, GALLINULES, AND COOTS |     |          |     | JAYS, CROWS, AND MAGPIES |    |   |     |   |
| Sora                         | X   | Χ        |     | Blue Jay                 |    |   | Χ   |   |
| American Coot                | Χ   | Х        | X   | American Crow            | Χ  | Χ |     |   |
| STILTS AND AVOCETS           |     |          |     | LARKS                    |    |   |     |   |
| American Avocet              | Χ   |          |     | Horned Lark              | Χ  |   | Χ   |   |
| PLOVERS                      |     | SWALLOWS |     |                          |    |   |     |   |
| American Golden-Plover       |     |          | X   | Purple Martin            |    | Χ |     |   |
| Killdeer                     | Х   | Х        | X   | Tree Swallow             | Χ  | Х |     |   |
| SANDPIPERS                   |     |          |     | Bank Swallow             |    | Х |     |   |
| Upland Sandpiper             |     | Х        |     | Barn Swallow             | Х  | Х | X   |   |
| Baird's Sandpiper            |     | Х        |     | <br>Cliff Swallow        |    | Х |     |   |
| Wilson's Snipe               | Х   |          | X   | WRENS                    |    |   |     |   |
| Wilson's Phalarope           |     | Х        |     | House Wren               | Χ  | Х |     |   |
| Solitary Sandpiper           |     | Х        |     | <br>Sedge Wren           | Х  | Х |     |   |
| Lesser Yellowlegs            | Х   | Х        |     | Marsh Wren               |    | Х | Χ   |   |
| GULLS AND TERNS              |     | 1        |     | STARLINGS                |    |   |     | - |
| Franklin's Gull              |     | Х        | X   | European Starling        | Χ  |   | Χ   |   |
| Ring-billed Gull             |     | Х        | X   | THRUSHES                 |    |   |     | - |
| 0                            |     |          |     | American Robin           | Χ  | Х | Χ   |   |

|                               | Sp   | S | F | W |
|-------------------------------|------|---|---|---|
| OLD WORLD SPARROWS            |      |   |   |   |
| House Sparrow                 |      | Х | Χ |   |
| FINCHES                       |      |   |   |   |
| American Goldfinch            | Χ    | Х |   |   |
| LONGSPURS AND SNOW BUNTINGS   |      |   |   |   |
| Lapland Longspur              |      |   | Χ |   |
| Chestnut-collared Longspur    |      | Х |   |   |
| SPARROWS                      |      |   |   |   |
| Grasshopper Sparrow           | Χ    | Χ | Χ |   |
| Chipping Sparrow              |      | Х | Χ |   |
| Clay-colored Sparrow          | Χ    | Х | Χ |   |
| Dark-eyed Junco               |      |   | Χ |   |
| White-crowned Sparrow         |      |   | Χ |   |
| Harris's Sparrow              |      |   | Χ |   |
| White-throated Sparrow        |      |   | Χ |   |
| Vesper Sparrow                |      |   | Χ |   |
| Savannah Sparrow              | Χ    | Χ | Χ |   |
| Song Sparrow                  | Χ    | Χ | Χ |   |
| Lincoln's Sparrow             |      |   | Χ |   |
| Swamp Sparrow                 |      | Χ | Χ |   |
| BLACKBIRDS                    |      |   |   |   |
| Yellow-headed Blackbird       | Χ    | Χ |   |   |
| Bobolink                      | Χ    | Х |   |   |
| Western Meadowlark            | Χ    | Χ |   |   |
| Orchard Oriole                |      | Х |   |   |
| Red-winged Blackbird          | Χ    | Х | Χ |   |
| Brown-headed Cowbird          | Χ    | Χ |   |   |
| Common Grackle                | Χ    | Х | Χ |   |
| WARBLERS                      |      |   |   |   |
| Orange-crowned Warbler        |      |   | Χ |   |
| Common Yellowthroat           | Χ    | Χ |   |   |
| Yellow Warbler                | Χ    |   |   |   |
| CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, AND BUN | TING | S |   |   |
| Dickcissel                    |      | Χ |   |   |

## **Seasonal Occurrence Key**

- **Sp** Spring (March through May)
- S Summer (June through July)
- **F** Fall (August through November)
- W Winter (December through February)
- C Common (seen every year/season)
- U Uncommon (seen every 2-3 years/season)
- O Occasional (seen every 4-9 years/season)
- **R** Rare (seen less than once every 10 years/season)
- X Observed during season, data insufficient for calculating occurrence

## **Bird Identification Tips**

When you observe a bird, make note of at least **three** characteristics:

**Location** - Where did you see the bird (water, forest, feeder, lower branch, tree trunk)?

**Body size and shape** - Compare it to a known bird (smaller than a... bigger than a... plump like a... slender like a...). Looks at its tail, legs, and bill (long, short, thick, thin, curved, straight).

**Colors and markings** - Look on wings, tail, back, belly, rump, and head (stripe above eye, white spot on tail, etc.).

**Sounds and movements** - How does it act and sound (traveling alone or in groups, soaring, flapping, flap and glide, etc.)?

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