

Here is the report for El Dorado Audubon for February 2024 through April 2024. We look forward to seeing you in person at the LCWA meeting on May 9, 2024.

### **Summary**

The wetlands are wet! El Dorado Audubon observers experienced rain and muddy conditions from February through April 2024. The birds and other wildlife thrived in the habitat of the Los Cerritos Wetlands. Recent rains filled several "ponds" throughout the wetlands. Mulefat grew in several of these ponds and migratory ducks were seen in these ponds.

Highlights included Red-shouldered Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk, American Kestrel, Northern Harrier, Common Yellowthroat and Blue-grey Gnatcatcher.

### Los Cerritos Wetlands-Zedler Marsh

February 24, 2024

29 species

Canada Goose 6

Mallard 2

Bufflehead 20

Rock Pigeon (Feral Pigeon) 6

Mourning Dove 11

Anna's Hummingbird 6

Allen's Hummingbird 3

Killdeer 1

Double-crested Cormorant 11

Great Egret 3

Great Blue Heron 1

Red-shouldered Hawk 1

Red-tailed Hawk 1

Belted Kingfisher 1

American Kestrel 1

Black Phoebe 2

Say's Phoebe 2

American Crow 30

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher 2

House Wren 8

Northern Mockingbird 1

American Robin 2

House Finch 51

White-crowned Sparrow 4

Song Sparrow 3

California Towhee 1

Spotted Towhee 1

Common Yellowthroat 16

Yellow-rumped Warbler (Audubon's) 5

Los Cerritos Wetlands Hellman property, Orange, California, US

March 9, 2024

21 species (+6 other taxa)

Canada Goose 3  
Mallard 3  
duck sp. 9  
Mourning Dove 4  
Allen's Hummingbird 1  
Willet 2  
Greater Yellowlegs 1  
shorebird sp. 25  
gull sp. 25  
Snowy Egret 1  
Great Egret 2  
Great Blue Heron 1  
Turkey Vulture 1  
Osprey 1  
woodpecker sp. 1  
Black Phoebe 2  
American Crow 15  
House Wren 2  
House Finch 15  
Lesser Goldfinch 3  
Acanthis/Spinus sp. 15  
White-crowned Sparrow 4  
Savannah Sparrow (Belding's) 7  
Song Sparrow 5  
Common Yellowthroat 3  
Yellow-rumped Warbler (Audubon's) 5  
new world warbler sp. 15

Los Cerritos Wetlands-Slough on Synergy from a distance

March 16, 2024 – Incidental sighting

5 species

Snowy Egret 1  
Great Egret 1  
Great Blue Heron 1  
Turkey Vulture 1  
Red-tailed Hawk 1

Los Cerritos Wetlands-Zedler Marsh

March 23, 2024

16 species (+6 other taxa)

Mallard 6  
Bufflehead 8  
Mourning Dove 15  
Anna's Hummingbird 1  
Lesser/Greater Yellowlegs 1  
California Gull 1

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gull sp. 10  
tern sp. 2  
Double-crested Cormorant 1  
Snowy Egret 3  
Cooper's Hawk 1  
hawk sp. 1  
Black Phoebe 3  
yellow-bellied kingbird sp. 1  
American Crow 2  
House Wren 1  
Northern Mockingbird 2  
House Finch 50  
new world sparrow sp. 3  
Western Meadowlark 12  
Great-tailed Grackle 1  
Common Yellowthroat 5

### Los Cerritos Wetlands Hellman property, Orange, California, US

**April 13, 2024**

18 species (+8 other taxa)  
Mallard 2  
duck sp. 7  
Mourning Dove 3  
swift sp. 1  
Anna's Hummingbird 1  
hummingbird sp. 3  
Black-necked Stilt 1  
gull sp. 15  
Double-crested Cormorant 5  
Snowy Egret 2  
Great Egret 1  
Great Blue Heron 1  
hawk sp. 1  
Black Phoebe 1  
Cassin's Kingbird 3  
American Crow 7  
swallow sp. 75  
House Wren (Northern) 3  
European Starling 15  
House Finch 15  
Lesser Goldfinch 2  
White-crowned Sparrow 1  
Song Sparrow 1  
California Towhee 1  
new world warbler sp. 1  
passerine sp. 75