

Birds in the Saginaw Bay Area

August 1st thru November 30th, 2005

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Weather: Please see the monthly charts at the end of the report for detailed information.

Summary: A total of 246 species were reported for the fall period, 2005, which is the highest count in quite some time. This is a respectable species count with good representation of water birds, shorebirds, and passerines. Two stand-out birds reported was a **Bridled Tern**, reported by Myles Willard at Finn Rd Pk, BA on 10/06, and not one but two **Western Tanagers** reported by Grant Winchell at Tawas Point, IO on 08/14. If accepted by the MBRC, the Bridled Tern would be a new state record and the Western Tanager would be only the second SBA record.

Notable SBA birds for the fall period included: **Ross's Goose** in both BA (11/05) & SA (11/21) counties; **Surf Scoter** at Tawas Point, IO on 11/11; **Black Scoter** from both BA (10/26) and HU (11/25); **Red-throated Loon** at Tawas Point, IO on 11/11; **American White Pelican** at SNWR, SA on 08/19; **Snowy Egret** at the Karn Plant, Ba till 09/21; **Cattle Egret** at Karn Plant, BA on 09/20 (1) and 11/06 (5), and **IBIS Sp** at Pinconning Pk, BA on 11/02.

Notable shorebirds included: **American Avocet** in both MI (08/16) & SA (09/24) counties; **Purple Sandpiper** at the AuSable River Mouth on 11/27; **Buff-breasted Sandpiper** in both SA (08/22) and IO (08/07 08/24), and a **Red-necked Phalarope** at SNWR, SA on 09/23..

A lone, 1st winter **Franklin's Gull** made an appearance at SNWR, SA on 10/06 while other good gulls for the period included and **Iceland Gull** at BCSRA, BA on 11/27 and the infamous adult **Lesser Black-backed Gull** at BCSRA, Ba on 10/06 through 11/25. **Short-eared Owls** made their regular appearance at SNWR, SA during the fall period and one was observed in western Tuscola County on 11/16. A **Northern Saw-Whet Owl** made a brief appearance for staff and students at the Hartley Nature Center on 11/22.

Passerines of note included: **Olive-sided Flycatcher** and **Yellow-bellied Flycatcher** in Hampton Twp, BA on 08/20; **Acadian Flycatcher** at the Cass River & M-46 on 08/17; **Northern Mockingbird** @ Tawas Point, IO on 09/17; **Connecticut Warbler** at Tawas Point, IO on 09/12; **Yellow-breasted Chat** at CNC, MI on 08/25; the aforementioned **Western Tanagers** at Tawas Point, IO on 08/14; **Dickcissel** at Tawas Point, IO on 09/09, and **White-winged Crossbills** at Cooke Dam Area, IO in late November.

New SBA Peak Count: **3450 Double-crested Cormorants** at the Karn Plant, BA on 09/29; **312 Great Egrets** at SNWR, SA on 09/29; **500+ White-throated Sparrows** at Tawas Point, IO on 09/16, and a matching peak count of **6 White-winged Crossbills** at Cooke Dam Area, IO on 11/27.

New SBA Fall Late Date: **Least Sandpiper** at SNWR, SA on 11/07; **Caspian Tern** at Karn Plant, BA on 11/06, and **Mourning Warbler** in Bangor Twp, BA on 10/05.

Look for this report (graphs/photos in color) at <http://www.saginawbaybirding.org> along with a "heads up" on winter records in the Saginaw Bay Area as they are reported to me at webmaster@saginawbaybirding.org.

Good birding and, as always, thanks for sending in your seasonal reports!!!

**Some of the Photos Submitted in the Fall Period, 2005
Saginaw Bay Area**

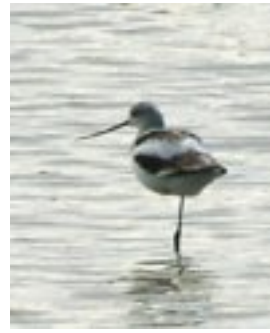
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**Ibis Sp. By: Myles Willard
Taken 11/03/05 at Pinconning Pk, BA**



**Great Egret by: Steve Gasser
Taken 10/22/05 at SNWR, SA**



**American Avocet by: Al Martinez
Taken 09/24/05 at SNWR, SA**



**Golden-cr. Kinglet by: Roger Eriksson
Taken 09/25/05 at Tawas Point, IO**



**Dark-eyed Junco by: Ryan Dzedzic
Taken 10/08/05 at Tawas Point, IO**

Thanks for passing them along!

Species	Number	Date	Location	Observers / Comment
GREATER WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE:	None to report			
SNOW GOOSE:	1	10/01	SNWR, SA	BG – Also noted in AR, BA
ROSS' GOOSE	1	11/05	Cottage Grove, BA	M&JH, DD – Photo forwarded to compiler.
	1	11/21	SNWR, SA	DP – Documentation forwarded to MBRC
BRANT:	None to report			
CACKLING GOOSE:	3	10/16	SNWR, SA	DP
	1	11/19	SNWR, SA	SK
CANADA GOOSE:	1115	09/19	SNWR, SA	SK - Also noted in BA, IO
	15,500	10/13	Fish Point, TU	DH – Peak count
MUTE SWAN:	36	08/23	Tobico Marsh, BA	JZ – Also noted in MI
TUNDRA SWAN:	22	11/17	Hartley NC, SA	PR - Also noted in BA, HU
TRUMPETER SWAN:	4	08/12	Cook Dam, IO	Also noted in BA, SA
WOOD DUCK:	212	09/14	SNWR, SA	DP – Last 7 there on 11/14 – DP Also noted in BA, MI, TU
GADWALL:	9	11/19	BCSRA, BA	G&EP - Also noted in IO, MI, SA
AMERICAN WIGEON:	~300	09/26	Tobico Marsh, BA	JZ – Peak count. Also noted in BA, SA
AMERICAN BLACK DUCK:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA – Peak count of 402 on 11/21 @ SNWR, SA – DP			
MALLARD:	Noted in AR, BA, MI, SA - Peak of 2,500 on 11/25 @ Karn Plant, BA - JS			
BLUE-WINGED TEAL:	1	10/25	SNWR, SA	DP – Also noted in BA, MI
NORTHERN SHOVELER:	~100	10/14	Tobico Marsh, BA	DH – Also noted in IO, MI, SA
NORTHERN PINTAIL:	2	09/15	Tawas Area, IO	RE
	200	10/19	Nayanquing Pt, BA	MH, MW
GREEN-WINGED TEAL:	407	11/14	SNWR, SA	DP – Also noted in BA, IO
CANVASBACK:	1	10/01	SNWR, SA	BG
	2	11/26	Karn Plant, BA	JS
REDHEAD:	3750	11/11	Alabaster, IO	JS, MH, MW - Also noted in AR, BA, MI
	5000+	11/20	Alabaster, IO	M&JH, M&MW
RING-NECKED DUCK:	Noted in BA, SA – Peak of 298 on 11/01 @ SNWR, SA – DP			
GREATER SCAUP:	6	10/23	MCV Pond, MI	JZ – Also noted in BA, HU
LESSER SCAUP:	2	10/08	Dow Ponds, MI	RD, ABe
SCAUP SP.:	1500+	11/02	Finn Rd Pk, BA	MH, MW
SURF SCOTER:	7	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MW
WHITE-WINGED SCOTER:	1	1	Tawas Point, IO	RD, ABe
	1	10/26	Karn Plant, BA	JS, MH, MW
	2	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH
BLACK SCOTER:	4	10/26	Karn Plant, BA	JS, MH, MW
	1 fem	11/25	Harbor Beach, HU	VS

LONG-TAILED DUCK:	15 50	11/11 11/20	Tawas Point, IO Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH, MW - Also noted in BA, HU M&JH, M&MW
BUFFLEHEAD:	1 3	08/16 10/26	Nayanquing Pt, BA Karn Plant, BA	RD JS, MH, MW Also noted in MI, IO, SA
COMMON GOLDENEYE:	2 2500+	10/26 11/18	Karn Plant, BA Karn Plant, BA	JS, MH, MW - Also noted in IO JS – Peak count.
HOODED MERGANSER:	30	11/14	SNWR, SA	DP - Also noted in MI
COMMON MERGANSER:	12 358	08/21 11/22	Tawas Point, IO SNWR, SA	BG – BG, CS, LA - Also noted in BA, MI
RED-BREASTED MERGANSER:	34 750	09/14 11/18	Tawas Point, IO Karn Plant, BA	DH - Also noted in BA JS – Peak count.
RUDDY DUCK:	155 5	11/01 11/12	SNWR, SA BCSRA, BA	DP - Also noted in MI G&EP – Last date.
RING-NECKED PHEASANT:	Noted in BA, TU – 1 totally albinistic pheasant surprised JS on 8/20 at the Karn Plant, BA. At first distant glance I thought, “That’s one fat gull.” It allowed me to approach within fifty meters to view this oddity.			
RUFFED GROUSE:	2	CTP	Mayville, TU	MW – Also CTP @ Cook Dam, IO - WS
WILD TURKEY:	Noted in BA, IO, SA, TU			
NORTHERN BOBWHITE:	None to report.			
RED-THROATED LOON:	2	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MW
COMMON LOON:	5 7	11/11 11/20	Tawas Point, IO Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH, MW - Also noted in BA M&JH, M&MW
PIED-BILLED GREBE:	2	11/15	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak of 31 there on 09/23 – DP Also noted in BA, MI
RED-NECKED GREBE:	1	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH, MW - Also noted in BA
HORNED GREBE:	2 9 10	10/23 11/11 11/20	MCV Pond, MI Alabaster, IO Tawas Point, IO	JZ – Also noted in BA JS, MH, MW M&JH, M&MW
AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN:	1	08/19	SNWR, SA	BG, CS
DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT:	3450	09/29	Karn Plant, BA	JS – New SBA peak count. Also noted in IO, MI, SA
AMERICAN BITTERN:	1	11/16	Western TU Co	SM – Stan can always be counted on to flush late marsh birds when hunting.
LEAST BITTERN:	~2 1	08/16 09/05	Nayanquing Pt, BA Karn Plant, BA	RD JS – Details sent to state compiler.
GREAT BLUE HERON:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak of 94 on 11/14 @ SNWR, SA - DP			
GREAT EGRET:	312	09/29	SNWR, SA	DP – New SBA peak count! Also noted in BA
SNOWY EGRET:	3	08/20	Karn Plant, BA	JS – 2 still there on 09/21 – JS, AB, MH
CATTLE EGRET:	1 5	09/20 11/06	Karn Plant, BA Karn Plant, BA	JS JS
GREEN HERON:	10	08/11	SNWR, SA	DP - Also noted in BA, IO, TU

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON:	63 1 imm	09/30 10/26	Karn Plant, BA Karn Plant, BA	JS – Peak count. Also noted in SA JS, MH, MW
IBIS / PLEGADIS SP:	1	11/02	Pinconning Pk, BA	JF – Subsequently observed for the next several days including 11/06 at White's Beach, Arenac County – M&JH, M&MW, SJ. Photographed by MW. MW & MH are calling it a Glossy Ibis based on closer looks on 11/03. Photograph will be sent to state compiler. Myles wrote, "Definitely a Glossy Ibis with blue edge of facial skin."
TURKEY VULTURE:	19 1	10/11 11/03	Old State Rd, AR Nayanquing Pt, BA	JZ – Peak count JS, MH, MW – Also noted in IO, SA, TU
OSPREY:	1 2	08/14 08/24	Tuttle Marsh, IO SNWR, SA	RE DP
BALD EAGLE:	8	08/19	SNWR, SA	BG, CS – Peak count Also noted in BA, IO
NORTHERN HARRIER:				
SHARP-SHINNED HAWK:	1	11/29	Saginaw, SA	DP – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
COOPER'S HAWK:				Noted in BA, IO, SA, TU
NORTHERN GOSHAWK:	1	08/24	Cooke Dam, IO	MH, MW
RED-SHOULDERED HAWK:				Noted in TU
BROAD-WINGED HAWK:				Noted in TU
RED-TAILED HAWK:				Noted in BA, SA, TU – DP noted, "Dark morph individual returns to perennial winter location on 10/13 @ SNWR."
ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK:	1 1 2	10/26 11/25 11/26	Fairgrove, TU Kitchen Rd, BA Tawas Point, IO	MW – Also noted in BA BG, CS VS - one dark and one light morph
GOLDEN EAGLE:				None to report.
AMERICAN KESTREL:				Noted in BA, TU
MERLIN:	4 1 1	09/04 09/16 11/20	Tawas Area, IO SNWR, SA Tawas Point, IO	RE – "Flying together and chasing each other." DP M&JH, M&MW – Also noted in BA, TU
PEREGRINE FALCON:	1 1 1	08/19 09/01 11/22	SNWR, SA Tawas Point, IO Hampton Twp, BA	BG, CS BB SM
VIRGINIA RAIL:	1 1	10/17 11/15	Tobico Marsh, BA Western TU Co	LD – Also noted in SA SM
SORA:				Noted in BA, SA – Last 2 noted on 09/23 @ SNWR, SA - DP
COMMON MOORHEN:	17 8	08/11 08/16	SNWR, SA Nayanquing Pt, BA	DP – Last 1 there on 10/13 RD
AMERICAN COOT:	249	11/11	Linwood Rd, BA	JS, MW, MH – Also noted in AR, IO, MI, SA
SANDHILL CRANE:	36	11/10	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak count - Also noted in AR, MI
BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER:	1 7	08/17 11/03	SNWR, SA Nayanquing Pt, BA	DP – Last 1 there on 11/01 JS, MW, MH

AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER:	None to report			
SEMIPALMATED PLOVER:	1	09/01	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak of 20 there on 09/14 & last 1 there on 10/13 - Also noted in IO
PIPING PLOVER:	None to report			
KILLDEER:	101	10/20	SNWR, SA	DP – Also noted in TU
	1	11/25	Erickson Rd, BA	BG, CS
AMERICAN AVOCET:	1 juv	08/16	Dow Ponds, MI	RD
	1	09/24	SNWR, SA	AM - Last observed there on 10/18 – BG, CS
GREATER YELLOWLEGS:	51	10/20	SNWR, SA	DP - Also noted in AR, BA, IO, MI
	1	11/22	SNWR, SA	BG, CS, LA
LESSER YELLOWLEGS:	134	09/01	SNWR, SA	DP – Last 17 there on 10/20 – Also noted in AR, BA, IO, MI
SOLITARY SANDPIPER:	4	08/04	SNWR, SA	DP – Last 2 there on 09/14
	6	08/24	CNC, MI	JS – At the drawn down wetland ponds. Also noted in BA, IO
WILLET:	1	08/13	Santiago Rd, AR	KO, SJ
SPOTTED SANDPIPER:	10	08/04	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak count. – Also noted in BA, IO
	1	10/07	Karn Plant, BA	JS – Last date.
WHIMBREL:	None to report			
HUDSONIAN GODWIT:	None to report			
MARbled GODWIT:	None to report.			
RUDDY TURNSTONE:	4	08/11	Tawas Area, IO	RE – 1 there on 09/03
	1	09/23	SNWR, SA	DP
RED KNOT:	None to report			
SANDERLING:	12	08/17	Tawas Point, IO	BB
	21	09/14	Tawas Point, IO	DH – Also noted in BA, SA
SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER:	1	08/04	SNWR, SA	DP – Also noted in IO
	15	08/24	FSL, SA	JS - Last 1 there on 09/25
LEAST SANDPIPER:	84	09/01	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak of 84 there on 09/01 and last 1 there on 11/07 New SBA late date! Also noted in BA, IO
WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER:	4	10/06	SNWR, SA	DP
BAIRD'S SANDPIPER:	4	08/13	Tawas Point, IO	KO, SJ – 2 there on 08/17 - BB
	1	08/24	FSL, SA	JS
	1	09/08	SNWR, SA	DP
PECTORAL SANDPIPER:	6	08/11	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak of 77 there on 10/20 and last 1 there on 11/07 – Also noted in BA
PURPLE SANDPIPER:	1	11/27	AuSable Riv M, IO	VS
DUNLIN:	12	10/06	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak of 331 there on 11/01 and last 123 on 11/07 - Also noted in BA, IO

STILT SANDPIPER:	9	08/04	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak of 22 there on 08/24 and last 9 there on 10/06 Also noted in BA, IO
BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER:	2 1	08/22 08/07	FSL, SA Tawas Area, IO	JZ RE
SHORT-BILLED DOWITCHER:	13	08/24	SNWR, SA	DP
LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER:	None to report			
DOWITCHER SP:	10	11/01	SNWR, SA	DP – Probable Long-billed's based on late date but any identifying calls that they made were drowned out by the Canada Geese in the area.
WILSON'S SNIPE:	72 2	10/20 11/16	SNWR, SA Western TU Co	DP – Same # on 11/14 – Also noted in BA SM
AMERICAN WOODCOCK:	1 1	11/01 11/16	Hartley NC, SA Western TU Co	PR - Also noted in BA SM
WILSON'S PHALAROPE:	1	08/17	SNWR, SA	DP
RED-NECKED PHALAROPE:	2	09/23	SNWR, SA	DP – JUVENILES
FRANKLIN'S GULL:	1	10/06	SNWR, SA	DP – 1 ST winter aged individual
LITTLE GULL:	None to report.			
BONAPARTE'S GULL:	6 1235	08/16 11/03	Fraser Twp, BA Linwood Rd, BA	RD - Also noted in IO, MI JS, MW, MH
RING-BILLED GULL:	Noted in BA, HU, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak count of 1800 on 10/18 @ SNWR, SA – BG, CS			
HERRING GULL:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, TU			
ICELAND GULL:	1	11/27	Saginaw River, BA	LD – Louie had this 1 st winter bird at the Bay/Saginaw County line on M-13.
LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL:	1	10/06	BCSRA, BA	MW, MH, DD – Observed there on 11/29 - LD
GLAUCOUS GULL:	1 ad 1 imm	11/06 11/25	Bay/Arenac Rd, AR BCSRA, BA	M&JH, M&MW, SJ LD
GREAT BLACK-BACKED GULL:	2 ad	10/13	Karn Plant, BA	JS – 5 ad there on 11/25 Also noted in IO
CASPIAN TERN:	1	11/06	Karn Plant, BA	JS – New SBA late date! Also noted in IO, MI, SA
COMMON TERN:	105 18	08/16 09/29	Fraser Twp, BA Karn Plant, BA	RD - Also noted in IO JS
FORSTER'S TERN:	Noted in BA			
BRIDLED TERN:	1	10/06	Finn Rd Pk, BA -	MW, MH, DD – Myles wrote, “Seen by three of us at a long distance. I had scope on bird and saw enough to eliminate other dark-backed terns. We all agreed on marks but MH was doubtful. He was on it with binos. This bird jumped out of the flock of flying Common Terns and was watched flying for a mile along the bay. Field marks included: same size as Common Terns; white belly; two-toned underwing, white changing to dark tips; white at base of tail; smudges on tail's terminal band, and dark slaty back.
BLACK TERN:	3	08/13	Santiago Rd, AR	KO, SJ
ROCK PIGEON:	Noted in BA, MI, SA, TU – Peak count of ~300 on 11/11 @ Gypsum Dock, IO - JS, MH, MW			

MOURNING DOVE:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU			
BLACK-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	08/17	SNWR, SA	BG
YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO:	1	10/04	SNWR, SA	JSo - Also noted in IO
EASTERN SCREECH OWL:	1	CTP	Mayville, TU	MW - Also noted in BA, SA
GREAT HORNED OWL:	Noted in BA, SA			
SNOWY OWL:	1	11/05	Tuscola Co	Per NMB
	1	11/20	Tawas Point, IO	M&JH, M&MW
	1	11/22	Akron Rd, TU	LZ
BARRED OWL:	1	10/14	SNWR, SA	Saginaw Valley Audubon Group
LONG-EARED OWL:	None to report			
SHORT-EARED OWL:	9	10/14	SNWR, SA	Saginaw Valley Audubon Group
	1	11/16	Western TU Co	SM
NORTHERN SAW-WHET OWL:	1	11/22	Hartley NC, SA	PR
COMMON NIGHTHAWK:	2	09/14	Saginaw, SA	DP – Last date. Also noted in IO
WHIP-POOR-WILL:	None to report.			
CHIMNEY SWIFT:	55	09/19	SNWR, SA	SK – Peak count - Also noted in IO
	2	10/04	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Last date.
RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD:	12	08/12	Cook Dam, IO	WS
	1	09/23	Tawas Area, IO	RE – Also noted in BA, SA, TU
BELTED KINGFISHER:	Noted in BA, MI, SA, TU			
RED-HEADED WOODPECKER:	1 juv	08/12	Cook Dam, IO	WS
	1	08/20	Hampton Twp, BA	JS
RED-BELLIED WOODPECKER:	Noted in BA, MI, SA, TU – Peak of 14 on 10/02 @ SNWR, SA – SK			
YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER:	6	10/14	SNWR, SA	BG, LA – Also noted in BA
DOWNY WOODPECKER:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU			
HAIRY WOODPECKER:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU			
NORTHERN FLICKER:	12	09/20	Karn Plant, BA	JS – Peak count
	1	11/08	Mayville, TU	MW - Also noted in BA, SA
PILEATED WOODPECKER:	2	10/14	SNWR, SA	BG, LA
	2	CTP	Cook Dam, IO	WS
OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER:	1	08/20	Hampton Twp, BA	JS
EASTERN WOOD-PEWEE:	1	09/20	SNWR, SA	BG, CS – Also noted in BA, IO, MI, TU
YELLOW-BELLIED FLYCATCHER:	1	08/20	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Singing male
	1	09/13	Mayville, TU	MW – Remained the following day.
ALDER FLYCATCHER:	None to report			
WILLOW FLYCATCHER:	3	09/04	Hampton Twp, BA	JZ
LEAST FLYCATCHER:	1	08/26	CNC, MI	JZ – Also noted in BA, IO, SA

ACADIAN FLYCATCHER:	1	08/17	Cass River, TU	MW - @ M-46
EASTERN PHOEBE:	1	11/09	SNWR, SA	DP - Quite late - Also noted in BA, IO, MI, TU
GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER:	2	09/05	SNWR, SA	BG, AG – Also noted in BA, IO, MI, TU
EASTERN KINGBIRD:	1	09/03	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Also noted in BA, IO, MI, TU
NORTHERN SHRIKE:	1	10/26	Finn Rd Pk, BA	MW, MH – Also noted in TU
YELLOW-THROATED VIREO:	1	09/06	Mayville, TU	MW - Also noted in IO
	1	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK
BLUE-HEADED VIREO:	1	10/13	BCSRA, BA	LD - Also noted in BA, SA, TU
WARBLING VIREO:	1	09/27	SNWR, SA	BG – Also noted in BA, TU
PHILADELPHIA VIREO:	1	08/24	Tawas Point, IO	MH & MW – also 1 @ Wigwam Bay, AR
	1	09/19	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Also noted in SA, TU
RED-EYED VIREO:	20	08/24	Tawas Point, IO	MH & MW
	1	09/20	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Also noted in MI, SA
BLUE JAY:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU			
AMERICAN CROW:	Noted in BA, MI, SA, TU – Peak count of 175 on 11/11 @ Tawas, IO - JS, MH, MW			
COMMON RAVEN:	2	CTP	Cooke Dam Area, IO	WS
HORNED LARK:	3	09/01	Tawas Point, IO	BB - Also noted in BA, SA, TU
	25	10/22	Karn Plant, BA	JS – Peak count.
PURPLE MARTIN:	75+	08/11	Tuttle Marsh, IO	RE – roosting in a dead tree in the marsh.
TREE SWALLOW:	30	10/18	SNWR, SA	BG, CS – Peak of 259 there on 10/13 – DP Also noted in BA, IO, TU
NO. ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW:	24	09/19	SNWR, SA	SK
BANK SWALLOW:	24	08/18	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Also noted in SA
CLIFF SWALLOW:	2	09/08	SNWR, SA	BG, CS Also noted in IO
BARN SWALLOW:	2	09/19	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, IO, MI, TU
BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak count of 52 on 9/18 @ SNWR, SA – SK			
TUFTED TITMOUSE:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU			
RED-BREA/TED NUTHATCH:	Noted IN BA, IO, MI, SA, TU – Peak count of 10 on 11/11 @ Cook Dam, IO - VS			
WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak count of 14 on 08/24 @ SNWR, SA – BG, LA			
BROWN CREEPER:	8	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, IO, MI
CAROLINA WREN:	1	09/09	Saginaw, SA	LA
	1	09/10	Saginaw, SA	MH – Staying in the neighborhood for a while.
	1	11/27	Sanford, MI	JD
HOUSE WREN:	1	10/18	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Also noted in IO, SA, TU
WINTER WREN:	1	10/24	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Last Date. Also noted in IO, MI, SA
SEDGE WREN:	1	08/25	SNWR, SA	DP

MARSH WREN:	3	10/13	Karn Plant, BA	JS – Last date.
GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET:	90	10/11	Tawas Point, IO	JZ - Also noted in BA, SA, TU
RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET:	40	10/11	Tawas Point, IO	JZ – Also noted in BA, SA, TU
	1	10/16	Bay City, BA	JS – Last date.
BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER:	11	08/24	SNWR, SA	BG, LA – Peak count – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
EASTERN BLUEBIRD:	2	11/16	BCSRA, BA	LD – Also noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU
VEERY:	1	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, TU
GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH:	1	09/08	Tawas Point, IO	Per NMB
	1	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK
	1	10/06	Bay Co.	MW
SWAINSON'S THRUSH:	1	09/02	SNWR, SA	BG, CS, LA – Also noted in BA, TU
	6	10/14	SNWR, SA	BG, LA
HERMIT THRUSH:	3	10/26	Finn Rd Pk, BA	MH, MW - Also noted in SA, TU
WOOD THRUSH:	3	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, TU
AMERICAN ROBIN:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU – Peak count of 364 as they were coming in to roost on 10/12 in Hampton Twp, BA - JS			
GRAY CATBIRD:	24	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, MI, TU
	1	10/03	SNWR, SA	SK – Last date.
NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD:	1	09/17	Tawas Point, IO	BB
BROWN THRASHER:	1	09/28	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Last date. Also noted in IO, TU
EUROPEAN STARLING:	Noted in AR, BA, IO, MI, SA, TU – Peak count of 5,000 on 9/18 @ SNWR, SA - SK			
AMERICAN PIPIT:	2	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH, MW - Also noted in BA, MI, SA
CEDAR WAXWING:	21	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, IO, MI, TU
BOHEMIAN WAXWING:	None to report			
BLUE-WINGED WARBLER:	1	08/30	Mayville, TU	MW
GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER:	1	09/09	SNWR, SA	LA
TENNESSEE WARBLER:	13	09/02	SNWR, SA	BG, CS, LA - Peak count
	1	10/05	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Last date - Also noted in AR, MI, TU
ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER:	1	10/14	Nayanquing Pt, BA	MH, MW - Also noted in SA, TU
NASHVILLE WARBLER:	1	08/31	SNWR, SA	BG – Last 1 there on 10/14 – BG, LA
	~40	09/04	Hampton Twp, BA	JZ - Also noted in BA, TU
NORTHERN PARULA:	1	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK – Last date – Also noted in BA, TU
YELLOW WARBLER:	1	09/08	SNWR, SA	BG, CS – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER:	2	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, TU
MAGNOLIA WARBLER:	1	08/20	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP
	17	09/02	SNWR, SA	BG, CS, LA
	1	10/03	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in IO, TU
CAPE MAY WARBLER:	1	09/19	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Also noted in TU

BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER:	1	10/13	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Also noted in IO, SA, TU
YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER:	2	08/24	SNWR, SA	BG, LA – Also noted in MI, TU
	152	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK
	1	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH, MW – Last date
BLACK-THR. GREEN WARBLER:	3	08/24	SNWR, SA	BG, LA – Also noted in BA, MI, TU
	3	10/08	Tawas Point, IO	RD, ABe
BLACKBURNIAN WARBLER:	2	08/20	Tawas Point, IO	DH
	1	09/22	Mayville, TU	MW
PINE WARBLER:	1	09/02	Mayville, TU	MW
PALM WARBLER:	1	10/11	Three Mile Pk, IO	JZ – Also noted in BA, SA, TU
BAY-BREASTED WARBLER:	1	08/17	Tawas Point, IO	BB – Also noted in MI, SA, TU
	1	10/14	Nayanquing Pt, BA	MH, MW
BLACKPOLL WARBLER:	1	08/17	Tawas Point, IO	BB – Also noted in BA, TU
	1	10/14	SNWR, SA	BG, LA
CERULEAN WARBLER:	None to report			
BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER:	1	09/20	SNWR, SA	BG, CS – Also noted in BA, IO, MI
AMERICAN REDSTART:	14	09/02	SNWR, SA	BG, CS, LA – Also noted in BA, MI
	1	10/05	Mayville, TU	TU – Last Date.
PROTHONOTARY WARBLER:	1	09/10	SNWR, SA	LA - New SBA late date! None have ever been recorded in Sep in the SBA. BG & CS had a 09/08 sighting as well at SNWR, SA
OVENBIRD:	1	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in IO, MI
NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH:	1	08/16	Nayanquing Pt, BA	RD - Also noted in IO
	1	09/08	SNWR, SA	BG, CS
LOUISIANA WATERTHRUSH:	None to report			
CONNECTICUT WARBLER:	1	09/12	Tawas Point, IO	DH
MOURNING WARBLER:	1	10/05	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – New SBA late date!
	1	09/08	Mayville, TU	MW
COMMON YELLOWTHROAT:	1	10/04	SNWR, SA	JSo – Also noted in BA, SA, TU
WILSON'S WARBLER:	1	08/23	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP
	1	10/01	SNWR, SA	BG – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
CANADA WARBLER:	1	08/24	SNWR, SA	BG, LA – Also noted in BA, TU
YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT	1	08/25	CNC, MI	NH – Per JL – Janea said the visitor from out west came in to report the bird. No details.
SCARLET TANAGER:	2	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, TU
WESTERN TANAGER:	2	08/14	Tawas Point, IO	GW – Documentation forwarded. Second SBA record for this species.
EASTERN TOWHEE:	1	10/16	CNC, MI	JZ – Also noted in BA, TU
AMERICAN TREE SPARROW:	1	10/08	Tawas Point, IO	RD, ABe - Also noted in BA, MI, SA, TU
CHIPPING SPARROW:	1	10/16	CNC, MI	JZ – Also noted in BA, IO, SA, TU

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW:	3	08/17	Tawas Point, IO	BB
	1	09/02	Hume Twp, HU	ME
	1	09/16	Tawas Point, IO	RE
FIELD SPARROW:	1	11/05	SNWR, SA	DP – Also noted in TU
VESPER SPARROW:	1	10/11	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in MI, TU
SAVANNAH SPARROW:	43	10/20	SNWR, SA	DP – Peak and last date. Also noted in BA, TU
GRASSHOPPER SPARROW:	None to report			
HENSLOW'S SPARROW:	None to report			
FOX SPARROW:	2	10/08	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Also noted in MI, SA
	1	11/28	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Last date.
SONG SPARROW:	3	10/29	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, MI, TU
LINCOLN'S SPARROW:	1	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in IO
	5	09/19	Hampton Twp, BA	JS
	1	10/14	Nayanquing Pt, BA	MH, MW
SWAMP SPARROW:	1	11/20	Tawas Point, IO	M&JH, M&MW – Also noted in BA, SA
WHITE-THROATED SPARROW:	1	09/04	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – First return – Also noted in SA, TU
	500+	09/16	Tawas Point, IO	RE – Light rain and passerines everywhere! New SBA peak count by far!
WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW:	~40	10/06	Hampton Twp, BA	JZ – Also noted in TU
	1	11/11	Tawas Point, IO	JS, MH
DARK-EYED JUNCO:	3	09/15	Bay City, BA	MW – Also noted in IO, SA
	30	10/14	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Peak count.
LAPLAND LONGSPUR:	2	10/08	Point AuGres, AR	RD, ABe
	30	10/18	Nayanquing Pt, BA	MH, MW
SNOW BUNTING:	125	10/26	Karn Plant, BA	JS, MH, MW – Also noted in IO, MI
NORTHERN CARDINAL:	Noted in BA, IO, MI, SA, TU – Peak count of 20 @ G&EP's Bangor Twp, BA feeders			
ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK:	2	09/18	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
INDIGO BUNTING:	1	10/04	Wahl Rd, SA	M&JH – Also noted in BA, TU
DICKCISSEL:	1	09/09	Tawas Point, IO	PC
BOBOLINK:	14	08/02	SNWR, SA	DP
	2	09/04	SNWR, SA	SK
RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD:	35,000	09/19	SNWR, SA	SK – Peak count – Also noted in BA, MI, TU
EASTERN MEADOWLARK:	Noted in BA, TU			
YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD:				
RUSTY BLACKBIRD:	167	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK – Peak count – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
BREWER'S BLACKBIRD:	2	10/03	Cook Dam, IO	WS, RE
COMMON GRACKLE:	25,000	11/07	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Also noted in IO, SA, TU
BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD:	2	10/10	SNWR, SA	SK – Also noted in BA, TU

BALTIMORE ORIOLE:	32	08/20	Hampton Twp, BA	JS – Peak count.
	2	09/09	Bangor Twp, BA	G&EP – Also noted in MI, SA, TU
ORCHARD ORIOLE:	2	08/13	Tawas Point, IO	KO, SJ
	3	08/21	Tawas Point, IO	DH
PINE GROSBEAK:	None to report			
PURPLE FINCH:	2	11/01	Hartley NC, SA	PR – Also noted in BA, IO, TU
HOUSE FINCH:	Noted in BA, MI, SA, TU			
RED CROSSBILL:	None to report			
WHITE-WINGED CROSSBILL:	1	11/19	Cook Dam, IO	WS – First record at his feeders.
	6	11/27	Cook Dam, IO	VS – Nice fall find – Matches peak count
COMMON REDPOLL:	None to report			
PINE SISKIN:	12	10/26	BCSRA, BA	LD – Also noted in BA, IO, SA, TU
AMERICAN GOLDFINCH:	Noted in AR, BA, IO, MI, SA, TU - Peak of 62 on 10/13 @ SNWR, SA – DP			
EVENING GROSBEAK:	4	08/12	Cook Dam, IO	WS – 2 ad, 2 juv
	14	11/19	Cook Dam, IO	WS4
HOUSE SPARROW:	Noted in BA, MI, SA, TU – Peak of 47 on 11/12 @ BCSRA, BA – G&EP			

TOTAL: 246 Species

OBSERVATIONS OUTSIDE THE SAGINAW BAY AREA:
NONE REPORTED

Observer Key:

LA	Larry Abraham	JL	Janea Little
KB	Kyle Bagnall	WM	William McKenzie
ABe	Andrea Beardsley	LM	Lisa McArthur
BB	Bob Bell	CM	Chris Madziar
AB	Adam Byrne	SM	Stan Madziar
PC	Paul Chad	AM	Al Martinez
JD	Jan Dennett	G&TN	Gary & Tess Nelkie
LD	Louie Dombroski	KO	Karl Overman
DD	Dan Duso	DP	David Peters
RD	Ryan Dziedzic	G&EP	Glen & Ellen Peterson
RE	Roger Eriksson	PR	Paul Roose
ME	Monica Essenmacher	WS	Wayne Shawl
JF	Jed Fulkerson	JS	Joe Soehnel
G&DG	Gus & Delores Gavit	Jso	Jeff Sommer
BG	Bob Grefe (AG = Ann Grefe)	VS	Vince Ste-Marie
DH	Dan Hansz	CS	Carolyn Szaroletta
NH	Nick Holler	M&MW	Myles & Marilyn Willard
M&JH	Mark & Joanie Hubinger	GW	Grant Winchell
SJ	Scott Jennex	LZ	Lori Zaverucha
SK	Steve Kahl	JZ	Jerry Ziarno

Abbreviations:

AR	Arenac County	MI	Midland County
BA	Bay County	NMB	Northern Michigan Message Board
BCSRA	Bay City State Recreation Area	PTP	Present through period
CNC	Chippewa Nature Center	SA	Saginaw County
FSL	Freeland Sewage Lagoon	SBA	Saginaw Bay Area
GPNC	Green Point Nature Center	SNWR	Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge
HU	Huron County	SSGA	Shiawassee State Game Area
IO	Iosco County	TU	Tuscola County
MCV	Midland Cogeneration Venture (Pond)		
