

WHITE TANK MOUNTAINS BIRD WALK 4 24 21

CONDITIONS: Clear skies with some haze to the east, 78 degrees F at 7:30 AM with a breeze from the SE at 0-2 mph:: at conclusion 9:45 AM, still clear skies, 80 degrees F temp with a breeze of 2-4 mph from the SE.

ROUTE: Some observations made at the Nature Center from 6:45 AM until 7:30 AM. The group caravanned to Area 4, toured the parking area, then took the Black Rock Long Loop Trail.



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COMMENTS: Dry conditions continue to persist, thus limiting diversity and presence of bird species beyond the necessary water sources. The spring wildflower bloom has been minimal this year. Blossoms were opening on the Saguaros and Foothills Palo Verde were present with yellow flowers, however even some of these had not bloomed as is normal. The Ironwood were just beginning to blossom with pinkish flowers, but are still a couple of weeks away. The stars for the day were the Canyon Towhees and one Green-tailed Towhee and of course the “churreling” Cactus Wrens kept the air waves busy from time to time.

SPECIES: Gambel's Quail 7, Turkey Vulture 3, Red-tailed Hawk 1, White-winged Dove 4, Mourning Dove 8, Costa's Hummingbird 2, hummingbird species 2, Gila Woodpecker 5, flicker species 2, American Kestrel 1, Say's Phoebe 4, Ash-throated Flycatcher 3, Loggerhead Shrike 1, Common Raven 5, Verdin 2, Cactus Wren 6, Black-tailed Gnatcatcher 3, Curve-billed Thrasher 10, European Starling 1, Green-tailed Towhee 1, Canyon Towhee 4, Abert's Towhee 2, Black-throated Sparrow 2, Brewer's Sparrow 3, Brown-headed Cowbird 5, House Finch 8, (24)

Details and other information can be found at eBird Checklist # S86271876 White Tank Regional Park 4
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