

WHITE TANK MTS. REGIONAL PARK BIRDWALK 5 28 22

CONDITIONS: Ideal. Cloudy skies at 6:30 AM, dominated by cirro and alto stratus, cirrus, a few altocumulus, no breeze, 78 degrees F;;; cloudy skies at 9:15 AM, again cirrus, cirrostratus clouds, slight breeze 0-2 mph from the east., 98 degrees F

ROUTE: Observations were made around the Nature Center and library. The group then took the Mule Deer Trail from the Nature Center north and then returned on the same trail.



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COMMENTS: It is early summer. Migrants have passed through and the young of the locals have gone from nestlings to fledglings. Several juveniles were observed being fed by adults (Say's Phoebe, Curve-billed Thrasher). The high temperatures have limited water resources, thus the Nature Center feeders were very popular and further out in the desert our visions of avian fauna were much reduced. A couple of ravens flew over, three Loggerhead Shrikes were seen, and a highlight was the witnessing of a couple of Lesser Nighthawks darting across and around the sentinel like saguaros.

SPECIES: Gambel's Quail 16, Turkey Vulture 1, Red-tailed Hawk 1, Rock Pigeon (flock), White-winged Dove 20, Mourning Dove 15, Lesser Nighthawk 3, Anna's Hummingbird 1, Costa's Hummingbird 2, Gila Woodpecker 5, Gilded Flicker 2, Say's Phoebe 6 (3-4 juveniles), Ash-throated Flycatcher 3, Loggerhead Shrike 3, Common Raven 2, Verdin 8, Cactus Wren 7, Curve-billed Thrasher 8, Abert's Towhee 2, Black-headed Grosbeak 1, Brown-headed Cowbird 8, House Finch 25 (23 species)

Other details can be found at eBird, checklist #S111528855 White Tank Regional Park 5/28/22