

WHITE TANKS MOUNTAIN PARK BIRD WALK 11 27 21

CONDITIONS: 7:45 AM, 55 DEGREES F, CLEAR SKIES, NO WIND:: CONCLUSION 10:25 AM, 75 DEGREES F, CLEAR SKIES, BREEZE 1-3 MPH FROM THE SE

ROUTE: The group met at the Nature Center and made observations on the north and south side, primarily near the feeders: group then caravanned to Area 4 and walked the Black Rock long loop trail.



PARTICIPANTS: Erv Johnson, Michele and Tom Quinn, Jan and Earl Phillips, Karen Baker, Teresa Mclure, David Charles, Tom Worcester, Pam Spinella (documentation), Jerry Molinelli (photography), Linda Molinelli, Karen Martin (photography), and guides Tom Locascio and Joe Ford. (15)

COMMENTS: Another gorgeous day with little to no wind and temperatures mild. The views of the mountains and the contrast in grays and greens of the cholla and saguaros and brittle bush offered a beautiful walk in the desert. Canyon Towhees were in song and along with flocks of Black-Throated Sparrows we had some good looks. Rock Wrens were singing and our state bird, the Cactus Wren, posed for pictures. The usual species filled in at several spots along the trail. A couple of Common Ravens also “swam” by overhead.

SPECIES: Gambel’s Quail 14, Turkey Vulture 2, Mourning Dove 22, Costa’s Hummingbird 2, Gila Woodpecker 7, Ladder-backed Woodpecker 1, Northern Flicker 1, Gilded Flicker 1, American Kestrel 1, Say’s Phoebe 2, Loggerhead Shrike 4, Common Raven 2, Verdin 2, Rock Wren 8, Cactus Wren 4, Black-

tailed Gnatcatcher 2, Ruby-crowned Kinglet 2, Curve-billed Thrasher 3, European Starling 4, Yellow-rumped Warbler 7, Canyon Towhee 6, Abert's Towhee 2, Black-throated Sparrow 20, White-crowned Sparrow 10, House Finch 8 (25)

Information and other details can found at Checklists ID#S98186048 White Tanks Birdwalk 11 27 21