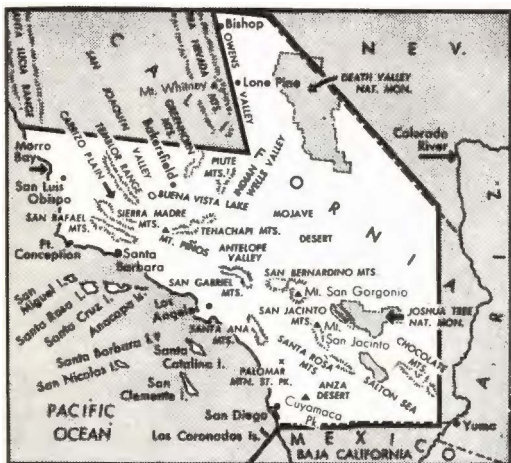


## SOUTHERN PACIFIC COAST REGION

/Guy McCaskie

The Region experienced one of the wettest winters on record, but the mild temperatures accompanying the rain may have accounted for the overwintering of numbers of species which normally occur only in summer or as migrants.

Varied Thrushes and Golden-crowned Kinglets were the most conspicuous of the northerly invaders, but Rough-legged Hawks were present in above-average numbers, and a few Northern Shrikes pushed far south to reach the central areas of the Region. In addition, the sighting of a Flesh-footed Shearwater off Morro Bay, and the occurrence of two Emperor Geese on the coast, are consistent with observations of these species in northern California this season.



An indication of the number and variety of species occurring this season, not normally present during the winter, can be seen in the warblers. The only warblers normally wintering in the Region are Orange-crowned, Yellow-rumped and Townsend's and Common Yellowthroat. Nashville, Yellow, Black-throated Gray, Hermit and Wilson's Warblers occur in extremely small numbers, with one or two Black-and-white and Palm Warblers, Northern Waterthrushes and American Redstarts. In addition to all the regularly occurring species, this winter produced two each of Tennessee and MacGillivray's Warblers, and single Cape May, Pine and Hooded Warblers, a Northern Parula, an Ovenbird and a Painted Redstart. An amazing 21 species!

Throughout a special effort to eliminate all reported sightings only on days of Christmas Bird Counts has been made. This should not detract from the validity of those records, but is meant to conserve space for records other than those on Christmas Bird Counts.

**LOONS, GREBES** — A Com. Loon at the n. end of the Salton Sea (hereafter, N.E.S.S.) Jan. 14 (BED), and another at the s. end of the Salton Sea (hereafter, S.E.S.S.) Mar. 11 (GMCC), are of interest since there is a paucity of inland records of wintering birds away

from the Colorado R. A few Red-throated Loons were found inland, but w. of the mountains; one in MacArthur Pk., Los Angeles, Feb. 19 (GSS), two on Legg L., El Monte. Mar. 11 (GSS) and another at Santee, San Diego Co., Jan. 27 – Feb. 19 (WTE,DP). A Red-necked Grebe in Santa Barbara Jan. 13 – Feb. 28+ was the only one found.

**SHEARWATERS, STORM-PETRELS** — Offshore N. Fulmars were: 30 Morro Bay Jan. 22 (KG,JD), four Goleta Pt., Jan. 5 (LB), 15 La Jolla Dec. 10 (JD), with individuals seen from various coastal points. A Flesh-footed Shearwater, rare any time, was with four Pink-footed Shearwaters off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD,KG). Significant were five Short-tailed Shearwaters off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD,KG), one dead in Santa Barbara Dec. 13 (PL, \*S.B.M.N.H.) and four off La Jolla Dec. 10 (DM,JD). Offshore Manx Shearwaters records included 50 Morro Bay Jan. 22 (KG,JD), 26 Goleta Pt., Dec. 12 (PL,BS), 1000 La Jolla Jan. 24 (DP,WTE) and 150 still there Feb. 21 (DP); this species regularly moves N close to shore in the late fall and early winter. Two Ashies off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD) were the only storm-petrels reported.

**PELICANS** — Two imm. Brown Pelicans at S.E.S.S., Dec. 30 (WTE) and another at N.E.S.S., Jan. 14 (BED) were the latest ever recorded on the Salton Sea, normally withdrawing to the Gulf of California in October.

**HERONS, STORKS, SPOONBILLS** — The imm. Little Blue Heron near Imperial Beach, San Diego Co., Nov. 9 was present Mar. 9 (DP). Cattle Egrets were numerous coastally with ca. 48 around Santa Barbara during December and January (PL), up to 50 at Playa del Rey, Los Angeles Co., in late December (BB,KG,FH) and about 150 around Imperial Beach in early December (JD); three in the Antelope Valley Dec. 11 (KG) were at an interesting locality. One or two imm. Reddish Egrets remained around San Diego throughout the period (PU,DP). The only Louisiana Herons were one around Imperial Beach all winter (PU,EC), and another at the mouth of the San Diego R., Jan. 26 (BC). Most unusual was a Wood Stork at S.E.S.S., Feb. 18 – Mar. 12 (GMCC, H&PB) since virtually no winter record exists. A White-faced Ibis at Goleta all winter (PL,LB) was a little n. for a wintering bird; a few of these birds regularly winter along the coast of Orange and San Diego Cos., as well as around the Salton Sea. Unprecedented was the imm. Roseate Spoonbill at Pt. Mugu, Ventura Co., late December – January (Elmer Colley, *vide* GSS) and another at S.E.S.S., Jan. 29 (EB) & Mar. 12 (H&PB), since there are no previous winter records from anywhere in the southwest.

**SWANS, GEESE, DUCKS** — A Whistling Swan at Furnace Creek Ranch in Death Valley (hereafter, F.C.R.) Dec. 20 (REM,PMR), four in Baker, San Bernardino Co., Dec. 21 (SC) and another around Ocean-side, San Diego Co., Dec. 31 – Jan. 14 (WTE,PU) were all at interesting localities. A Brant at Apollo L., near Lancaster, Los Angeles Co., Dec. 29 – Mar. 12 (FH,KG) and another at S.E.S.S., Feb. 16 (HHA)

were both at inland localities. Most exciting was an Emperor Goose at Pt. Mugu Jan. 1 – Feb. 20 (Elmer Colley, *fide* GSS) and another captured at Pismo Beach, San Luis Obispo Co., Dec. 15 (FRT); these two records, along with others found to the n., indicate a small flight on the West Coast this winter.

A Green-winged (Eur.) Teal was in Long Beach Jan. 7 – Feb. 4 (BD,TH); this distinctive race is a casual straggler to s. California. About ten Eur. Wigeon were found in the s.w. portion of the Region with up to three males together near Hemet, in February (DM). Greater Scaup were more numerous than usual along the coast, with small flocks at some locations, and 20+ individuals being seen as far s. as San Diego (PU); in addition a few appeared inland with one at F.C.R., Dec. 11 (DR), up to 18 on the Colorado R., below Parker Dam Dec. 24 – Mar. 4 (JD,KVR), up to 12 at Imperial Dam on the Colorado R., Dec. 22 – Feb. 19 (PL,DR) and one on Quail L., in the Antelope Valley Dec. 11 (KG). Three or four Barrow's Goldeneyes were on the Colorado R., below Parker Dam Dec. 23 – Mar. 4 (JD,KVR). The only Oldsquaws were one shot at Pt. Mugu Dec. 21 (GSS) and another inland on Apollo L., near Lancaster Dec. 29 – Jan. 2 (JD,FH). As usual up to three Harlequin Ducks were present on the coast near Cambria, all winter (FRT), but a stunning male in Carlsbad Dec. 31 – Mar. 9 (JBi) was at the s. extreme of the species' range. Up to seven Surf Scoters were seen together on the Salton Sea during January (ASE,BED,PS) and a few wintered there. Black Scoters appeared in small numbers along the coast with up to ten at Marina del Rey in February (H&PB,BB,FH) and one as far s. as Imperial Beach Jan. 25-28 (DP). Small numbers of Hooded Mergansers were found throughout the Region with one at Santee Jan. 15 – Feb. 8 (BC) and another near Niland Jan. 9-14 (PS,EAC) being the southernmost. Five Red-breasted Mergansers on Tinnemaha Res., Jan. 22 (TH) and another at Desert Center, Riverside Co., Dec. 27 (JVR) were unexpected at this time of the year.

**HAWKS, EAGLES, FALCONS** — An ad. Goshawk present in Arcadia Dec. 18 – Feb. 13 (AC) was away from areas of normal occurrence. Red-shouldered Hawks continued to appear e. of their normal range with two near Needles on the Colorado R., Jan. 21 (SC) and five individuals in the Coachella Valley n. of the Salton Sea during January (PS,BED) being the most interesting sightings. Five imm. Broad-winged Hawks were found with one in Santa Barbara Jan. 23 – Feb. 28+ (BS,LB), another in nearby Carpinteria Jan. 28 – Feb. 28+ (BS,PL), one at F.C.R., Jan. 7-8 (JD,PU), one in Riverside Dec. 24 (BP, ph., S.D.N.H.M.) and the fifth inland near Brawley, Imperial Co., Jan. 28 – Feb. 18 (LJ,KG); this is more than is normally expected. An imm. Zone-tailed Hawk was well seen near Ocean-side Jan. 13 (JBU) providing the third winter record for California. Rough-legged Hawks remained numerous and widespread throughout the period with some along the coast, *e.g.*, one near Playa del Rey Dec. 24 – Feb. 28 (BB,FH), and others reaching as far s. as L. Cuyamaca, San Diego Co., Dec. 11 – Feb. 25 (JBU,CGE) and Holtville Jan. 1 (EAC,SC). Bald Eagles were encouragingly numerous with concentrations of up to 18 on some inland lakes; an imm. Bald Eagle at F.C.R., Dec.



*Immature Broad-winged Hawk, Springbrook Golf Course, Riverside, Dec. 24, 1977. Photo B. G. Prescott.*  
26 (REM,PMR) and another near Playa del Rey Nov. 24 – Feb. 28+ (BB) were both at interesting localities.

**SHOREBIRDS** — A few Black Oystercatchers were along the s. California coast, with one at Leo Carillo St. Beach Jan. 2 (KG), three at Playa del Rey all winter (FH), one in San Pedro Jan. 7 (TH) and 1-2 on Pt. Loma Dec. 31 – Mar. 12 (RHW,JC). A Mountain Plover at Oasis, Mono Co., Dec. 11 (JVR,DR) was at an unusual locality. An Am. Golden Plover (*P. d. dominica*) in Goleta since Aug. 26 was still present Feb. 28+, being joined by another Nov. 23 – Dec. 4 (PL,LB), and a bird of the Asiatic race (*P. d. fulva*) was at Playa del Rey all winter (FH,JD). A Black Turnstone at Salton City Mar. 12 (GMCC) had either wintered locally or reached this inland locality as an early spring migrant; it is a casual straggler away from the coast. Up to 30 Sanderlings were found at Salton City through the period (EAC,SC); this species has previously been considered extremely rare inland except during migration. A Sharp-tailed Sandpiper in Goleta Dec. 13 (PL) provided the least record for this casual fall straggler. A Stilt Sandpiper at S.E.S.S., Feb. 18 (GMCC) was the only one found this winter. Red Phalaropes remained off the coast well into January with 250 off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD), 45 off La Jolla Jan. 24 (DP,WTE) and three at Leo Carillo St. Beach Feb. 4 (FH) being the latest.

**LARIDS** — A few Pomarine Jaegers were present throughout the period with high counts of 25 off La Jolla Dec. 10 (JD) and ten off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD). About equal numbers of Parasitic Jaegers were reported, all being close to the shore. A first year Glaucous Gull at McGrath S.P., Dec. 29 (LRB) and a second year bird at Salton City Feb. 26-28+ (EAC,JD) were the only two positively identified. An imm. Glaucous-winged Gull at Colton Feb. 3 (SC) was a long way from the coast. For the first time small numbers of yellow-footed W. Gulls remained on the Salton Sea throughout the winter with a high count of 15 at Salton City Feb. 26 (EAC,SC). An imm. Thayer's Gull in

Colton Feb. 3 (SC), and two more near Brawley Feb. 6 (KG,LJ) were all at inland localities. Similarly, an imm. Mew Gull at N.E.S.S., Dec. 19 (DR,PL), an adult there Jan. 13 (BED) and another adult at Salton City Feb. 26 (EAC,SC) were all far from the coast. An ad. Laughing Gull at N.E.S.S., Dec. 19 (PL,DR) was exceptionally late. An imm. Franklin's Gull, rare in California during the winter, was at MacArthur Pk., Jan. 15-19 (FH,GSS) and an adult was near Imperial Beach Jan. 21 (RCS). An Elegant Tern in Goleta Dec. 15 (PL) and two more on San Diego Bay the same day (EC,LB) were late stragglers. Up to 12 Black Skimmers remained around San Diego Bay throughout the winter.

**ALCIDS** — Four Xantus' Murrelets off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD) were of interest since the species' winter habits are poorly understood. Three Ancient Murrelets off Morro Bay Jan. 22 (JD) were in an area of normal occurrence, but two off San Diego Mar. 12 (CL) were quite far s.

**DOVES, OWLS, GOATSUCKERS** — A White-winged Dove near Palo Verde on the Colorado R., Jan. 26 (KVR) was unexpected. Along the coast two were in Goleta Jan. 26 (DS) and another was near Imperial Beach Feb. 12 (PU,EC). The largest concentration of Long-eared Owls located this winter was 18-20 in Afton Canyon, in the desert of e. San Bernardino Co., Jan. 29 – Feb. 27 (EAC,SC). A Saw-whet Owl at Regina Feb. 4 (KG) was one of the few to be found in s.e. California. A Poor-will was at Regina Mar. 4 (JD); we still have much to learn about the winter status and distribution of this species. Five or six Lesser Night-hawks seen near Regina Feb. 3-4 (KG) & Mar. 5 (DR), and another at Finney L., near S.E.S.S., Jan. 28 (GSS) were all probably wintering locally.

**SWIFTS, HUMMINGBIRDS, WOODPECKERS** — A flock of 30 Vaux's Swifts near Oceanside Jan. 31 (AF) indicates that the species again wintered there. Four Allen's Hummingbirds found in the Goleta/Santa Barbara area during December and January (PL,LB) may well have been individuals of the non-migratory race *sedentarius* which has been thought to be confined to the Channel Is., and the Palos Verdes Pen. of Los Angeles County. A ♂ Broad-billed Hummingbird, a casual straggler to California, was in Marina del Rey Dec. 9 – Jan. 25 (JAJ). Four Acorn Woodpeckers at the Mt. Whitney Fish Hatchery near Lone Pine Jan. 22 – Feb. 28+ (TH) were far from known areas of occurrence, and one in San Diego all winter (DH) was at a coastal locality w. of the species' normal range.

**FLYCATCHERS, SWALLOWS** — Up to two Tropical Kingbirds were present in Goleta Dec. 8 – Jan. 21 (PL,LB). One or two Ash-throated Flycatchers, rare in s. California during the winter, were around Regina Feb. 4 – Mar. 6 (KG,DR). Four E. Phoebees were found, with one near Riverside Mar. 11 (SJR), another near Calipatria Jan. 9 – Feb. 26 (ASE,BD), one near Blythe on the Colorado R., Mar. 4 (JD,SC) and the other at Imperial Dam Jan. 14 (KVR). A Gray Flycatcher in Arcadia all winter (AC) was the only one

reported; this species is much more rare in s. California as a wintering bird than in former years. A Coues' Flycatcher was near Irvine Dec. 18-21 (EB) and another was at Parker Dam Dec. 24 – Mar. 19 (JD,KVR, ph. S.D.N.H.M.); this species remains very rare. A Vermilion Flycatcher at Pt. Mugu all winter (KG) and another at F.C.R. (TH,JD) marked the northernmost occurrences for the coast and interior this winter. A Rough-winged Swallow near Pt. Mugu Jan. 1 (LJ) was unexpected since winter records from along the coast are few, though the species does winter in small numbers in s.e. California.



*Coues' Flycatcher, Parker Dam, Dec. 24, 1977 – Mar. 19, 1978. Photo/ G. McCaskie.*

**JAYS, CROWS, CHICKADEES, WRENS** — A Steller's Jay in San Diego Dec. 4 – Mar. 7 (DH) was at a lowland coastal locality. A Scrub Jay near Brawley Dec. 30 (WTE) was outside the species' normal range. A Com. Crow at Daggett, San Bernardino Co., Feb. 25 (SC) was at a desert location away from known wintering localities. A few Mountain Chickadees were present in the coastal lowlands, as appears normal, but one at Regina Feb. 26 – Mar. 5 (DM,SC, \*S.B.C.M.) was far out in the desert and established the southeasternmost record for California. Winter Wrens remained relatively numerous through the winter after the influx of last fall, with individuals found as far s. as Imperial Beach Dec. 15-17 (EC), and near Borrego Springs in e. San Diego County Dec. 7 (BC) & Feb. 16 (BC).

**THRASHERS THROUGH VIREOS** — A Brown Thrasher, always a rare bird in California, was in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Feb. 28+ (KG,PL), and another was at Finney L., Feb. 26 (RC). A Sage Thrasher in Afton Canyon Dec. 21 (SC) was unexpected. Varied Thrushes remained numerous along the coast, with smaller numbers scattered throughout the deserts of Inyo and San Bernardino Cos., one reaching as far s. as Finney L., Mar. 11 (GMCC). Golden-crowned Kinglets were present along the coast in above-average numbers, with one at Parker Dam Dec. 26 (JVR) and another at Finney L., Dec. 22 (PL) being in areas from which few records exist. Northern

Shrikes reached s. California in unprecedented numbers with an adult in Afton Canyon Jan. 8-29 (EAC,SC), six different immatures in the Antelope Valley Dec. 28 – Jan. 8 (FH,KG,JD), another immature in the Lucerne Valley, San Bernardino Co., Jan. 8 (SC) and an imm. on the coast at McGrath S. P., Jan. 27 – Feb. 3 (PL,BS); there are only four known occurrences of this species s. of the Owen's Valley and Death Valley prior to last fall, and the record from McGrath S. P., is the first from a coastal locality s. of Marin County. Seven Solitary Vireos, all *cassinii*, were found in coastal San Diego County Dec. 17 – Feb. 19, and single birds were at Laguna Dam on the Colorado R., Dec. 22 (DR) & Feb. 19 (LB). A Warbling Vireo, very rare in winter, was in Santa Barbara Jan. 2 (LRB).

**WARBLERS** — A Black-and-white Warbler in Tapia Pk., Los Angeles Co., Dec. 5 (JD) was a late fall migrant, but one in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Mar. 18 (JVR,BD,PL), another in San Diego Nov. 15 – Jan. 6 (DH,PU) and one more near Imperial Beach Sept. 28 – Mar. 30 (EC) were clearly wintering birds. A Tennessee Warbler near Imperial Beach Dec. 15 (EC) was the last of the fall migrants, however, two in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Feb. 12 (PL,LB) were clearly wintering. The only wintering Nashville Warblers were one in Goleta Dec. 30 – Feb. 16 (PL,LB) and another in Newport Dec. 26 – Feb. 11 (SJR). A N. Parula was at Big River on the Colorado R., Dec. 23 – Mar. 4 (JD,JVR). Yellow Warblers were exceptionally common with 4-5 around Goleta all winter (PL,LB), one at Pt. Mugu Feb. 11 (BS,LRB), five different birds seen around San Diego during December and January (PU,EC), one near N.E.S.S., Jan. 15 (BED) and three or four at S.E.S.S. during February and March (GMcC). A Black-throated Gray Warbler was at Brock Ranch, Imperial Co., Jan. 1 (EAC) and another spent the winter near Blythe (KVR); this species may prove to winter regularly along the Colorado R. valley. A Townsend's Warbler near Vidal on the Colorado R., during January (KVR) was in an area from which there are virtually no winter records. The only Hermit Warblers reported were one in Goleta Feb. 28 (BS) and two more in Santa Barbara all winter (PL). Amazing was a ♂ **Pine Warbler** at Regina Feb. 4-26 (KG,JD) for this is only the fifth record of this species in the Region, the previous four all being from along the coast during the fall. Two Palm Warblers were in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Jan. 14 (PL,LB) and another was near Imperial Beach Nov. 30 – Feb. 28+ (EC,PU). An Ovenbird in San Francisquito Canyon, Los Angeles Co., Dec. 28 – Jan. 4 (FH,KG) would appear to be only the second ever found in California during the winter. As usual a few N. Waterthrushes were present along the coast with one or two at Pt. Mugu Jan. 7 – Feb. 11 (KG,LRB) and one in Oceanside Jan. 2 (GMcC). A MacGillivray's Warbler, was in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Jan. 3 (PL) and another was at Laguna Dam Dec. 22 (DR,PL). A ♀ **Hooded Warbler** near San Diego Dec. 17 – Jan. 27 (WTE) was the first to be recorded in California during the winter. An Am. Redstart was in Goleta Dec. 31 – Jan. 21 (PL), another was in Hollywood Feb. 19 (LRB), two were along the

Colorado R., below Parker Dam Dec. 26 (JVR) and three or four were around S.E.S.S. all winter. Exciting was a Painted Redstart at L. Norconian, Riverside Co., Dec. 30 – Feb. 23 (DM,SC) since there are few winter records for California.

**BLACKBIRDS, ORIOLES, TANAGERS** — A Tricolored Blackbird near Barstow, San Bernardino Co., Feb. 20 (EAC) was e. of its normal range, and another near Finney L., Mar. 12 (GMcC) was the first to be found in Imperial County. An Orchard Oriole found in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 (PL,LB) was still present Feb. 28. A few Hooded Orioles remained through the winter with two in Goleta Feb. 6 (PL), up to four in Santa Barbara all winter (LB), two in Arcadia throughout the period (AC) and another in El Centro, Imperial Co., Feb. 14 (LJ). The imm. ♂ **Scarlet-headed Oriole** was still present at F.C.R., Dec. 11 (JVR,DR) but could not be found in early January. Two Scott's Orioles were near Goleta Feb. 19 – Feb. 28+ (PL,LB); this tends to be rarer as a winter straggler than most other orioles. The only "Baltimore" Orioles reported were one in Goleta Jan. 2 (PL) and another in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Feb. 28+ (PL,LB). Bullock's Orioles were numerous with about 27 in the Goleta/Santa Barbara area during December and January (PL), up to five in Newport Dec. 26 – Feb. 11 (SJR), one or two around San Diego throughout the period (PU) and a male near N.E.S.S., Jan. 11 (PS). A Rusty Blackbird at F.C.R., Dec. 15 (REM,PMR) was a late fall migrant, but a female in Goleta Dec. 10 – Mar. 17 (PL,LB) may have wintered there last year. Up to five Great-tailed Grackles spent the winter around S.E.S.S. (WTE,PS), an area being colonized by this rapidly expanding species.

As usual a few W. Tanagers remained throughout the winter with up to three in Goleta during the period (PL,LB), up to four in Arcadia in January (JD,FH), one in Newport Dec. 26 – Jan. 22 (SJR) and three in San Diego during December (PU). A ♀ Hepatic Tanager again wintered in Oceanside Jan. 7 – Mar. 18 (CL). Four Summer Tanagers were found with one in Goleta Dec. 5 – Feb. 16 (PL,LB), another in Encino, Los Angeles Co., Dec. 18 – Feb. 19 (JD), a female in Oceanside Jan. 7 – Feb. 7 (CL) and a male in San Diego Nov. 15 – Jan. 8 (DH).

**FINCHES, SPARROWS, LONGSPURS** — A ♂ Pyrrhuloxia, a casual straggler to California, was at the Brock Ranch Dec. 23 (EAC,SC). Three Rose-breasted Grosbeaks were in Santa Barbara during January (PL), a male was in Sierra Madre, Los Angeles Co., Dec. 14 (GSS) and another was in San Diego Dec. 17-18 (DH,PU). A Black-headed Grosbeak, much rarer in winter than the previous species, was in Goleta Dec. 1 – Jan. 16 (PL). Small groups of Evening Grosbeaks were scattered along the coast and throughout the mountains, with up to 15 in Claremont during February and March (SJR,GSS) and 39 on Mt. Palomar Jan. 22 (RC) being the largest concentrations. A few Green-tailed Towhees were found in Imperial and San Diego Cos., but one in Afton Canyon Feb. 27 (EAC) was a little n. of its normal winter range. A few Lark Buntings were scattered throughout the Region with single birds at

Pt. Dume, Los Angeles Co., Feb. 11 (FH), near Imperial Beach Feb. 12-15 (PU,EC), at L. Tami, San Bernardino Co., Dec. 19 – Jan. 8 (EAC,SC), near Sunnymead, Jan. 10-29 (DM,JD) and at Regina Feb. 4-6 (KG,LJ). A Grasshopper Sparrow at L. Henshaw Jan. 27 (CGE) was expected, but one at Regina Feb. 5 (LJ) was outside the species' normal range. Six Gray-headed Juncos were found in the s. of the Region with one at Nojoqui Falls Pk., Santa Barbara Co., Feb. 3-28+ (PL) being somewhat n.w. of areas of normal occurrence. A Clay-colored Sparrow, very rare in California in winter, was in Arcadia throughout the period (AC). A Harris' Sparrow in Santa Barbara Dec. 31 – Feb. 28+ (PL) was the only one reported, whereas, some 16 White-throated Sparrows were reported. Five Swamp Sparrows were found, with one at F.C.R., Dec. 6 (LJ) and another at Holliday L., in the Antelope Valley Dec. 11 (KG) likely fall migrants, leaving only one at L. Norconian Jan. 16 (KG), another at Malibu Dec. 18 – Jan. 1 (LJ,FH) and a third in Santee Feb. 4 (BC) as wintering birds. A flock of 10± Lapland Longspurs near the Edmonston Pump Station Dec. 11 (REM,PMR), one or two in the Lanfair Valley of San Bernardino County Dec. 22 – Feb. 19 (SC), one at L. Henshaw Dec. 29 (CL) and another near Imperial Beach Jan. 13 (DP) provided an interesting assortment of localities. The only Chestnut-collared Longspurs were 20 at L. Henshaw Jan. 7 (EC) with one still present Jan. 13 (DP).

ADDENDA — Two significant records received too late for inclusion in the fall report were a Gray Vireo on Santa Cruz I., Sept. 24 (DS, \*U.C.S.B.) and up to three Rusty Blackbirds on San Nicholas I., Nov. 4-7 (DS, \*U.C.S.B.).

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