

	Sp	Su	F	W
DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS				
___ Fulvous Whistling-Duck	X	X		
___ Snow Goose.....	X		R	R
___ Ross’s Goose.....		X	X	
___ Canada Goose	X		R	
___ Tundra Swan.....			X	
___ Wood Duck	X		R	R
___ Blue-winged Teal	U	R*	U	R
___ Cinnamon Teal	U	R*	R	C
___ Northern Shoveler	C	R	C	C
___ Gadwall	U	R	C	C
___ Eurasian Wigeon.....			R	R
___ American Wigeon.....	R	X	C	A
___ Mallard	U		C	C
___ Mexican Duck.....	C	U*	C	C
___ Northern Pintail	U	R	C	C
___ Green-winged Teal.....	C	R	C	A
___ Canvasback			R	R
___ Redhead	R	R	R	R
___ Ring-necked Duck.....	R		R	U
___ Greater Scaup	X			X
___ Lesser Scaup.....	R		R	U
___ Bufflehead	R		R	U
___ Common Goldeneye.....		X	R	
___ Hooded Merganser.....		X	R	
___ Common Merganser			R	
___ Ruddy Duck	R	R	R	U
QUAIL				
___ Scaled Quail.....	R	X	R	X
___ Gambel's Quail	C	A*	C	C
GREBES				
___ Pied-billed Grebe	U	R*	R	U
___ Eared Grebe.....			R	R
___ Western Grebe		X		
PIGEONS AND DOVES				
___ Inca Dove	X	X	X	
___ White-winged Dove.....	C	C*	R	R
___ Mourning Dove.....	C	A*	C	C
___ Eurasian Collared-Dove	U	C*	U	R
___ Rock Pigeon	R	R	R	R
CUCKOOS, ROADRUNNERS AND ANIS				
___ Greater Roadrunner	C	C*	C	U
___ Yellow-billed Cuckoo		R†		
GOATSUCKERS				
___ Lesser Nighthawk	R	R	R	
___ Common Nighthawk.....	X	R	R	
___ Common Poorwill.....	X		X	
SWIFTS				
___ Chimney Swift.....		X		
___ White-throated Swift.....	R			R

	Sp	Su	F	W
HUMMINGBIRDS				
___ Black-chinned Hummingbird	C	C*	U	
___ Calliope Hummingbird		/X		
___ Rufous Hummingbird		/U	R	
___ Broad-tailed Hummingbird.....	X	/R	R	
CRANES				
___ Sandhill Crane.....	X		U	R
RAILS, GALLINULES AND COOTS				
___ Virginia Rail	X			X
___ Sora	R	U	R	
___ Common Gallinule	R	U*	U	U
___ American Coot	U	C*	C	C
STILTS AND AVOCETS				
___ Black-necked Stilt.....	C	C*	U	R
___ American Avocet	U	U*	R	X
PLOVERS				
___ American Golden-Plover	X			
___ Killdeer	C	C*	C	C
___ Semipalmated Plover	X			
___ Snowy Plover	X			
SANDPIPERS, PHALAROPES AND ALLIES				
___ Upland Sandpiper		R	X	
___ Long-billed Curlew	R	R	R	X
___ Marbled Godwit			X	
___ Stilt Sandpiper	X	X	X	
___ Baird’s Sandpiper	X	X	R	
___ Least Sandpiper	R	R	U	U
___ Western Sandpiper	X	X		
___ Long-billed Dowitcher	U	R	U	U
___ Wilson's Snipe.....	R		U	U
___ Spotted Sandpiper	R	U	R	R
___ Solitary Sandpiper	R	R	R	X
___ Lesser Yellowlegs	R	R	R	X
___ Willet.....	R			
___ Greater Yellowlegs.....	R	R	U	U
___ Wilson’s Phalarope.....	U	R	R	
GULLS, TERNS AND SKIMMERS				
___ Least Tern	X	X		
___ Black Tern		R	R	
___ Forster’s Tern		X	X	
___ Sabine’s Gull.....			X	
___ Bonaparte’s Gull.....	X		X	
___ Franklin's Gull	X			
___ Ring-billed Gull.....	R		R	U
___ California Gull	X			
___ American Herring Gull.....				X
CORMORANTS				
___ Double-crested Cormorant.....	R	R	R	R
___ Neotropic Cormorant.....	U	U	R	R

	Sp	Su	F	W
IBISES AND SPOONBILLS				
___ White Ibis.....				X
___ White-faced Ibis.....	U	R	U	R
PELICANS				
___ American White Pelican.....	X		R	X
BITTERNS AND HERONS				
___ Least Bittern.....		X		
___ American Bittern	X		R	
___ Little Blue Heron	X	X		
___ Tricolored Heron	R	R	X	
___ Reddish Egret		X		
___ Snowy Egret.....	U	U‡	U	U
___ Black-crowned Night Heron	U	U‡	U	U
___ Yellow-crowned Night Heron	X	R	X	
___ Green Heron.....	U	U*	U	R
___ Great Egret	U	U‡	U	C
___ Western Cattle-Egret	U	U‡	U	R
___ Great Blue Heron	C	U	C	C
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
___ Black Vulture			X	X
___ Turkey Vulture	U	U	U	U
OSPREYS				
___ Osprey.....		R	R	U
HAWKS, KITES, EAGLES AND ALLIES				
___ White-tailed Kite	U	U*	U	R
___ Golden Eagle			X	
___ Sharp-shinned Hawk.....	U	X	U	U
___ Cooper's Hawk	U	R†	U	U
___ Northern Harrier.....	C	R	C	C
___ Bald Eagle	X			R
___ Mississippi Kite.....	R	U	X	
___ Common Black Hawk	X		X	
___ Harris's Hawk	C	C*	C	C
___ Red-shouldered Hawk			X	
___ Broad-winged Hawk.....	R		X	
___ Swainson's Hawk.....	U	U*	U	
___ Zone-tailed Hawk	X		X	
___ Red-tailed Hawk.....	C	R	C	C
___ Ferruginous Hawk				R
BARN OWLS				
___ American Barn Owl.....	R	R	R	R
TYPICAL OWLS				
___ Flammulated Owl	X			
___ Western Screech-Owl.....	R	R*	R	R
___ Great Horned Owl.....	R	X	R	R
___ Burrowing Owl	C	C*	U	R
___ Long-eared Owl.....	R*	X	R	R
___ Short-eared Owl.....	X			
KINGFISHERS				
___ Belted Kingfisher.....	R	X	U	U

	Sp	Su	F	W
WOODPECKERS AND ALLIES				
___ Lewis’s Woodpecker			X	X
___ Red-naped Sapsucker			X	
___ Downy Woodpecker.....	X			
___ Ladder-backed Woodpecker.....	U	U*	U	U
___ Northern Flicker	U		U	C
CARACARAS AND FALCONS				
___ American Kestrel.....	U	U*	U	C
___ Merlin	X		R	R
___ Peregrine Falcon	R	R	R	R
___ Prairie Falcon.....	R		R	R
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
___ Ash-throated Flycatcher	U	R		X
___ Great Crested Flycatcher			X	
___ Cassin's Kingbird.....	R		R	
___ Tropical Kingbird			X	
___ Western Kingbird	A	A*	U	
___ Eastern Kingbird		X		
___ Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	X		X	
___ Olive-sided Flycatcher.....	U	R	R	
___ Western Wood-Pewee	U	R	U	
___ Willow Flycatcher	R	R	X	
___ Least Flycatcher			R	
___ Hammond’s Flycatcher.....	X		X	
___ Gray Flycatcher.....	X	X	X	
___ Dusky Flycatcher.....	R	X	X	
___ Western Flycatcher.....	R		R	X
___ Black Phoebe.....	R	R*	C	C
___ Eastern Phoebe.....	X		R	R
___ Say’s Phoebe	U	R	U	C
___ Vermilion Flycatcher	X		R	R
VIREOS				
___ Bell’s Vireo	U	C*	R	
___ Cassin’s Vireo	R	X	X	
___ Plumbeous Vireo	R	X	X	
___ Western Warbling-Vireo	R	R	R	
SHRIKES				
___ Loggerhead Shrike	U	R	U	U
JAYS, MAGPIES AND CROWS				
___ Steller’s Jay.....	X		X	X
___ Woodhouse’s Scrub-Jay	R	X	R	R
___ American Crow	U		A	A
___ Chihuahuan Raven	C	R	A	A
___ Common Raven	X			
VERDINS				
___ Verdin	C	C*	C	C
LARKS				
___ Horned Lark	X			

	Sp	Su	F	W
SWALLOWS				
___ Bank Swallow	R	R	R	
___ Tree Swallow	R	X	X	R
___ Violet-green Swallow.....	R		R	X
___ N. Rough-winged Swallow.....	U	R	R	R
___ Barn Swallow	C	C	C	R
___ Cliff Swallow	C	C	U	X
___ Cave Swallow	U	U	U	R
KINGLETS				
___ Ruby-crowned Kinglet	U	X	U	U
WAXWINGS				
___ Cedar Waxwing			X	X
SILKY-FLYCATCHERS				
___ Phainopepla	R	X	R	R
NUTHATCHES				
___ Red-breasted Nuthatch.....		X	X	
GNATCATCHERS				
___ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher.....	R	X	R	R
___ Black-tailed Gnatcatcher.....	R	X	R	R
WRENS				
___ Rock Wren	R	X	X	R
___ Cactus Wren	R	R†	R	R
___ Bewick's Wren	U		U	U
___ Northern House Wren.....	R		R	R
___ Winter Wren			X	X
___ Marsh Wren	R		U	U
MOCKINGBIRDS, THRASHERS AND ALLIES				
___ Gray Catbird		X	X	
___ Curve-billed Thrasher.....	R	X	X	
___ Brown Thrasher	R	X	X	
___ Crissal Thrasher	C	C*	C	C
___ Sage Thrasher.....	R	X	R	X
___ Northern Mockingbird.....	A	A*	R	R
STARLINGS				
___ European Starling	R	R		X
SOLITAIRES, THRUSHES AND ALLIES				
___ Eastern Bluebird			X	
___ Western Bluebird.....	R		X	X
___ Mountain Bluebird.....	X		X	X
___ Townsend's Solitaire	X	X	X	
___ Swainson's Thrush.....	X		X	
___ Hermit Thrush	R			R
___ American Robin	R	R	R	
OLD WORLD SPARROWS				
___ House Sparrow	U	R	X	X
PIPITS				
___ American Pipit.....	R		U	U

	Sp	Su	F	W
FINCHES AND ALLIES				
___ House Finch	A	A*	A	A
___ Pine Siskin.....			X	X
___ Lesser Goldfinch.....	R	R	R	R
___ American Goldfinch.....			X	X
NEW WORLD SPARROWS AND ALLIES				
___ Cassin's Sparrow	R	U*	X	
___ Grasshopper Sparrow.....	X		X	
___ Black-throated Sparrow.....	R		X	
___ Lark Sparrow	R	R	R	
___ Lark Bunting	R	/R	R	R
___ Chipping Sparrow	U	R	U	R
___ Clay-colored Sparrow.....	X	/R	R	
___ Brewer's Sparrow	C	/R	U	R
___ Fox Sparrow	X		X	X
___ Dark-eyed Junco	C		U	U
___ White-crowned Sparrow	C	X	C	A
___ Harris's Sparrow.....	X			X
___ White-throated Sparrow	X		X	X
___ Sagebrush Sparrow				X
___ Vesper Sparrow.....	U	X	U	R
___ Baird's Sparrow			X	
___ Savannah Sparrow	U		R	C
___ Song Sparrow	R		U	C
___ Lincoln's Sparrow	R		U	U
___ Swamp Sparrow.....	X		X	R
___ Green-tailed Towhee.....	U	X	U	R
___ Spotted Towhee	U		U	R
YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT				
___ Yellow-breasted Chat	C	C*	X	
BLACKBIRDS, MEADOWLARKS AND ORIOLES				
___ Yellow-headed Blackbird.....	R	U	U	R
___ Western Meadowlark.....	R		R	R
___ Orchard Oriole	X			
___ Hooded Oriole		X	X	
___ Bullock's Oriole	U	U†	R	
___ Scott's Oriole	X	X		
___ Red-winged Blackbird.....	U	C*	U	U
___ Brown-headed Cowbird	U	U†	R	
___ Rusty Blackbird	X			R
___ Brewer's Blackbird	R		R	R
___ Common Grackle.....				X
___ Great-tailed Grackle.....	U	C*	U	U
WOOD-WARBLERS				
___ Ovenbird	X			
___ Northern Waterthrush	R	/X	X	
___ Black-and-white Warbler	X	X		
___ Orange-crowned Warbler.....	R	/R	U	R
___ Lucy's Warbler	R	X		
___ Nashville Warbler	X	/X	X	
___ Virginia's Warbler	R	/R	U	
___ MacGillivray's Warbler	U	/R	U	
___ Common Yellowthroat.....	U	C*	R	R

	Sp	Su	F	W
___ American Redstart.....	X	X		
___ Yellow Warbler	R	/R	R	
___ Chestnut-sided Warbler.....			X	
___ Palm Warbler			X	X
___ Yellow-rumped Warbler.....	C	X	C	C
___ Grace's Warbler		/X	X	
___ Black-throated Gray Warbler.....	R	/R	R	
___ Townsend's Warbler	U	/R	U	
___ Hermit Warbler	X	/X		
___ Wilson's Warbler	C	R	C	
CARDINALS, GROSBEAKS, BUNTINGS AND ALLIES				
___ Hepatic Tanager.....	R	X	R	
___ Summer Tanager	R	R*	R	
___ Western Tanager.....	R	R	R	
___ Northern Cardinal.....	U	U*	U	R
___ Pyrrhuloxia	R	R	R	U
___ Black-headed Grosbeak.....	R	/R	X	
___ Blue Grosbeak	U	C*	U	
___ Lazuli Bunting	X	/R		
___ Indigo Bunting		X		
___ Painted Bunting.....	U	C*	X	
___ Dickcissel			R	



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Field Checklist

BIRDS OF RIO BOSQUE WETLANDS PARK

El Paso, Texas



Legend

Sp -- Spring (March-May)
Su -- Summer (June-August)
F -- Fall (September-November)
W -- Winter (December-February)

A -- Abundant should see 90-100% of time in proper habitat and season

C -- Common should see 50-90% of time in proper habitat and season

U -- Uncommon should see 20-50% of time in proper habitat and season

R -- Rare should see <20% of time in proper habitat and season

X -- Accidental only 1 or 2 records

/ -- when preceding summer status, indicates the bird's presence in summer is due to early southbound migrants

* -- breeding confirmed

† -- breeding suspected

‡ -- formerly nested

November 2025 Total Species: 269

Rio Bosque Wetlands Park is a 372-acre City of El Paso park located next to the Rio Grande. UTEP manages the site under an agreement with the City's Public Service Board. At the park, UTEP and its partners are working to establish an approximation of the mix of habitats found in the river valley in pre-settlement days. These habitats supported a wealth of birds; bird numbers and variety at Rio Bosque have increased since restoration efforts began. The centerpiece of the restoration work is a wetland project built in 1997. When available, treated wastewater from the treatment plant just north of the park flows through the park in a former meander of the Rio Grande and is used to flood large, shallow wetland cells.