

CAMP POLK MEADOW PRESERVE BIRD CHECKLIST

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ABUNDANCE CODES	Presence and Detectability	BREEDING STATUS	Breeding Behaviors
Abundant A	Present and likely to be detected in suitable habitat	Possible <i>poss</i>	Seen or heard in suitable habitat during breeding season
Common C	Usually present but not always detected, even in suitable habitat	Probable <i>prob</i>	Pair observed together, singing on >1 visit, defending territory, courting visiting probable nest site
Uncommon U	Present half the time or unlikely to be detected	Confirmed <i>conf</i>	Nest building, carrying nesting material, distraction display, dependent fledglings, mating, carrying food presumably for young, entering/leaving nest or cavity, carrying fecal sac, nest with eggs or young
Occasional O	More often not present or difficult to detect		
Rare R	Rarely present or extremely difficult to detect		

COMMON NAME	BREEDING STATUS	WI		SP			SU		FA	NOTES	
		DEC-JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JUL-AUG			SEP-NOV
Hérons to Vultures											
Great Blue Heron	<i>poss</i>		R	R	R		R	O	R	No known Sisters-area nest sites	
Turkey Vulture	<i>poss</i>			C	U	U	R	O	O	Likely nests on canyon walls downstream	
Waterfowl											
Canada Goose	<i>conf</i>	R	U	C	A	U			R	Usually nests in lower meadow	
Wood Duck	<i>poss</i>				R	R				Nest box installed 2003, used by Am. Kestrel	
Mallard	<i>conf</i>	R	U	C	C	U	U	O	O	Annual confirmed breeder, likely double-brooded	
Cinnamon Teal	<i>prob</i>					R				Pair observed in breeding season	
Green-winged Teal					R					Transient; nests at higher elevations	
Barrow's Goldeneye				R	R					Transient; nests at higher elevations	
Hooded Merganser			U		R					Transient; nests at higher elevations	
Common Merganser			R							Known to nest downstream toward Deschutes R.	
Raptors											
Osprey	<i>prob</i>				R	R				Utilizes creek for foraging	
Bald Eagle	<i>prob</i>	R		O		R	R			"Flight area" for Cloverdale eagle pair; not nesting on property	
Northern Harrier					R					Nests mostly east	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	<i>poss</i>	R		O	R	R		R		May nest on or adjacent to property	
Cooper's Hawk	<i>poss</i>				R	R	R			Known to nest within 3 mi.	
Northern Goshawk				R						Two known nest sites <3 mi from Hindman Spring	
Red-tailed Hawk	<i>conf</i>	C	C	C	C	U	A	C	C	Year-round resident; two pairs have nested	
Rough-legged Hawk					R					Very rare transient; overwinters in Cloverdale	
Golden Eagle	<i>poss</i>			R	R					Known to nest in canyon downstream	
American Kestrel	<i>conf</i>	R			O	R		O	R	Nested in Wood Duck box in 2003	
Merlin				R						Rare transient; overwinters widely in region	
Gallinaceous Birds											
Wild Turkey	<i>prob</i>							O	A	C	Common mid June to mid November; large families present
Mountain Quail	<i>prob</i>				R	R					Pair seen and multiple birds heard calling simultaneously
California Quail	<i>conf</i>	R	U	U	U	C	C	A	C		Year-round resident
Rails & Shorebirds											
Virginia Rail	<i>conf</i>	O	R	U	O	O	O	O	O		Probable year-round resident; juveniles observed annually
Sora	<i>prob</i>			R	O	O	O	U			Juveniles observed in breeding season
American Coot	<i>poss</i>				R	R	R				Single birds observed
Killdeer	<i>conf</i>			O	R	O	U				May nest on gravel bars or sandy upland near lower aspen grove
Spotted Sandpiper	<i>conf</i>					O	A	O	R		Likely annual nester
Long-billed Curlew						R					Vocalization detected from property N of Hindman Spring
Wilson's Snipe	<i>prob</i>	O	R	R	O	O	R		R		Possible year-round resident; recently split from Common Snipe
Doves & Owls											
Rock Pigeon					R						Formerly named Rock Dove; nests in Cloverdale
Mourning Dove	<i>prob</i>				U	U	C	A	U		Likely nests annually on property
Western Screech-Owl		R				R			R		Resident south of Camp Polk Rd., west of creek
Great Horned Owl	<i>conf</i>		R	R	R		R				Possible year-round resident; has nested in past
Northern Pygmy-Owl	<i>prob</i>	R			R	R			R		Pair observed once in breeding season
Nightjars to Kingfishers											
Common Nighthawk	<i>poss</i>					R	O				Birds foraging on property may nest above canyon
Vaux's Swift	<i>prob</i>					R	R				May nest in snags S of lower meadow; pairs observed
Anna's Hummingbird	<i>prob</i>				R	R	O				Territorial birds observed; possible range expansion
Calliope Hummingbird	<i>prob</i>				O	U	U				Likely nests on property and in seep area above lower meadow
Rufous Hummingbird	<i>conf</i>					R		U			Usually nests at higher elevations
Belted Kingfisher	<i>conf</i>	O		O	O	O	U	U	O		Nests in creek bank
Woodpeckers											
Lewis's Woodpecker	<i>poss</i>					R					Common annual nester downstream and on steppe above canyon
Williamson's Sapsucker	<i>poss</i>			R	R				R		Transient; nests at higher elevations
Red-naped Sapsucker	<i>conf</i>				O	U	O	U			Annual confirmed breeder; nests in lower aspen grove
Red-breasted Sapsucker		O	R						R		Overwinters annually
Downy Woodpecker	<i>prob</i>	U			R	O	O	O	O		Likely nests in lower aspen grove or Pond Springs area
Hairy Woodpecker	<i>conf</i>	R	O	U	O	O	R	U	R		Year-round resident
White-headed Woodpecker	<i>poss</i>	O	O	U	R	R					Transient; nests in ponderosa pine forest just west of property
Northern Flicker	<i>conf</i>	U	O	A	A	U	C	A	A		Year-round resident

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Flycatchers										
Olive-sided Flycatcher	poss					R	R			Detected singing in successive years
Western Wood-Pewee	conf					O	A	A	R	Annual confirmed breeder; multiple pairs around property perimeter
Willow Flycatcher	prob					R	O			Pairs and singing observed
Hammond's Flycatcher					R	R			R	Transient; nests at higher elevations
Gray Flycatcher	prob				R	O			R	Nests in juniper and pine above canyon rim
Dusky Flycatcher	poss					R	O	O	R	May nest on property, but mostly transient
Cordilleran Flycatcher	conf					R	R	U		Debatable identification; could be Pacific-slope
Say's Phoebe	conf		U	U	O	U	O	U	O	Annual confirmed breeder
Ash-throated Flycatcher	conf					R	U	U		Nests in juniper above canyon
Western Kingbird	prob				R					Nests annually in Cloverdale
Eastern Kingbird	poss						R			Single detection, early June; possible range expansion
Shrikes to Corvids										
Northern Shrike				R					R	Transient, overwinters in Cloverdale
Cassin's Vireo	prob				R	R	R	O		May nest in lower aspen grove
Warbling Vireo	conf					R	O	O	R	Multiple pairs may nest annually
Steller's Jay	conf	C	A	C	C	U	C	A	C	Year-round resident
Western Scrub-Jay	poss			O	R				R	Marked increase since 2001; possible range expansion
Pinion Jay							R		R	Very transient local year-round resident
Clark's Nutcracker	poss	R		R	R	O	R	U		Known to nest nearby, but usually at higher elevations
Black-billed Magpie	conf	A	A	C	A	C	C		A	Annual confirmed breeder; year-round resident
Common Raven	prob	O	U		U	O		U	U	Year-round resident
Larks to Swallows										
Horned Lark					R					Very rare transient; single flyover record
Tree Swallow	conf			R	C	C	C	O		Annual confirmed breeder
Violet-Green Swallow	conf			O	U	U	U	O		May nest in canyon walls or rimrock
N. Rough-winged Swallow	conf				O	U	U	U		Nests in creek bank
Bank Swallow	conf					O	U	C		Annual confirmed breeder; nests in creek bank
Cliff Swallow	conf				R	O	R			Has nested under eave of old house
Barn Swallow	poss				R	R	O	O		Common local breeder; may nest in canyon rimrock
Chickadees to Kinglets										
Mountain Chickadee	conf	U	U	U	U	O	R	C	C	Annual confirmed breeder; year-round resident
Bush-tit	conf		O	O	O	O	U	O	R	Annual confirmed breeder; likely year-round resident
Red-breasted Nuthatch	conf	O	O	O	O	R	O		O	Probable year-round resident
White-breasted Nuthatch	conf	O	O	R	R	R	R	O	R	Probable year-round resident
Pygmy Nuthatch	conf	C	A	U	C	C	A	A	C	Annual confirmed breeder; year-round resident
Rock Wren						R				Rare transient; single sight record
Canyon Wren	conf	R	R	O	O	R	O		R	Year-round resident
House Wren	conf				O	C	C	A	R	Annual confirmed breeder
Winter Wren		U	U	O	R				O	Regular in winter
Marsh Wren	poss			R		R			R	Rare transient
American Dipper	conf	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	Annual breeder, at least double brooded; year-round resident
Golden-crowned Kinglet	poss				R	R	R		O	Transient; nests at higher elevations
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	prob	R	R	U	C	O			U	Transient; nests at higher elevations
Thrushes										
Western Bluebird	conf		R	C	U	O	O	U	O	Has nested in box at mid-meadow
Mountain Bluebird	prob				R					Rare transient; nests at higher elevations, overwinters to the east
Townsend's Solitaire	conf	C	U	A	O	R		C	A	Enigmatic; usually nests at higher elevations
Swainson's Thrush	poss					R				Rare transient; has likely bred at Indian Ford CG
Hermit Thrush	poss				O	O			R	Transient; nests at higher elevations
American Robin	conf	U	U	A	C	C	A	C	A	Annual confirmed breeder; year-round resident
Varied Thrush		R		O	R				R	Regular in winter
Starlings to Waxwings										
European Starling	conf		O	C	C	U	O			Annual confirmed breeder
American Pipit					R					Very rare transient; single flyover record
Cedar Waxwing	poss	R	O			R	R		R	Enigmatic; may nest in region
Warblers & Tanagers										
Orange-crowned Warbler	prob				O	O			R	Transient; no known local nest sites
Nashville Warbler	prob				R	R			R	Transient; nests from ponderosa pine forest westward
Yellow Warbler	prob				R	U	A	C	O	Likely nests annually on property
Yellow-rumped Warbler	prob			R	U	O	R		O	Nests commonly west of Sisters; "Myrtle" subspecies rare in April
Black-thr. Gray Warbler	poss					R	R		R	May nest on slope above creek, NE boundary
Townsend's Warbler	prob					R			R	Transient; nests at higher elevations
Hermit Warbler						R				Very rare transient; nests at higher elevations
MacGillivray's Warbler	prob				R	R				Transient; nests at higher elevations
Common Yellowthroat	prob				R	O	O	O	R	Likely nests annually on property
Wilson's Warbler	prob				R	C	O		R	Female observed visiting probable nest site
Western Tanager	poss			R		O	R		R	Transient; nests at higher elevations

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COMMON NAME	BREEDING STATUS	MONTHS												NOTES
		DEC-JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JUL-AUG	SEP-NOV					
Sparrows & Allies														
Spotted Towhee	<i>conf</i>	R	R	C	U	U	C	A	C					Year-round resident
American Tree Sparrow					R									Very rare transient; not a confirmed record
Chipping Sparrow	<i>conf</i>				R	O			O					Widespread regional breeder
Vesper Sparrow					R									Rare transient, yet nests within 5 mi.
Savannah Sparrow					R									Rare transient, yet nests within 5 mi.
Fox Sparrow				R	O	R				O				Mostly "Thick-billed" subspecies; nests within 5 mi.
House Sparrow			O	O	O									Range extension from town? Seen less than 10% of time
Song Sparrow	<i>conf</i>	O	U	C	A	C	U	C	C					Year-round resident
Lincoln's Sparrow	<i>poss</i>				O	R			O					Common transient; nests at higher elevations
White-crowned Sparrow	<i>prob</i>				U	O			O					Common transient; nests at higher elevations
Golden-crowned Sparrow	<i>prob</i>	R	R		O	O			U					Pair observed visiting possible nest site; rare state breeder
Dark-eyed Junco	<i>prob</i>	O	O	U	O	R			O	U				Common resident; may nest adjacent to property
Black-headed Grosbeak	<i>conf</i>					C	A	C						Multiple pairs nest annually
Lazuli Bunting						R								Rare transient; nests in grasslands to the north
Icterids														
Red-winged Blackbird	<i>conf</i>		U	C	A	C	A	C	U					Annual confirmed breeder
Western Meadowlark	<i>poss</i>			R	R	R	R	R	R					Regular transient; nests within 5 mi.
Brewer's Blackbird	<i>prob</i>				U	U	C	U	R					Annual confirmed breeder
Brown-headed Cowbird	<i>prob</i>				R	U	C	O						Likely nests annually
Bullock's Oriole	<i>conf</i>					U	A							Multiple pairs breed annually
Finches														
Cassin's Finch										R				Rare transient, although common in region
House Finch	<i>prob</i>			O	R	R	R	O	O					Possible resident, likely annual breeder in juniper
Red Crossbill	<i>poss</i>	R	R	R	R	R	R	O	O					Enigmatic; usually nests at higher elevations
Pine Siskin	<i>prob</i>				R	O	R	U	R					Transient; nests mostly at higher elevations
Lesser Goldfinch										R				Very rare transient; single flock flyover record
American Goldfinch	<i>conf</i>	O	R	R	R	O	O	U						Nests annually at lower aspen grove
Evening Grosbeak		R		O	O	R				R				Transient; nests at higher elevations

Please report sightings to the compiler. Thank you!