



The Scissortail

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President's Message:

It has already been a busy and productive year for OOS. We have continued our seasonal survey partnership with Red Ridge, with nine members participating in the winter count. Thank you to everyone who took part, and a special thanks to Steve Stone for organizing the counts. I am especially looking forward to our first spring count this year. The area appears to offer excellent warbler habitat. If you are interested in helping with the survey, please let Steve or me know.

In February, OOS also hosted a booth at the Oklahoma Environmental Education Expo (OEEE) at UCO. Thank you again to Steve for helping staff the booth, and a very special thank you to Rebecca Renfro for coordinating with the event organizers and delivering a wonderful presentation on incorporating birds into education. The talk drew attendees from many organizations and schools across the state. Following the presentation, we enjoyed a bird walk around UCO's campus.

Several more opportunities for OOS involvement are coming up in the months ahead. If you would like to volunteer or help represent OOS at any of these events, please reach out. If you are aware of other events that might align with OOS's goals and would be good opportunities for us to participate in, I would also love to hear about them.

Upcoming events include:

- Sustainable Living Fair at Tulsa Union High School, March 25

- Lake Arcadia BioBlitz with Edmond Parks, May 29 to May 30

- OOS Fall Meeting at Red Slough, May 1 to May 3

Hope to see you there!

If interested, contact me at cole_of_oklahoma@yahoo.com or 405-213-9057.

Thanks,



Cole Penning

2026 Membership Renewal

It is time to renew your OOS Membership for 2026. All memberships run from January to December. You will receive all issues for a calendar year. Memberships can be renewed here: https://www.okbirds.org/get_involved. There is also a form at the end of this newsletter that you can print and mail with a check to renew your membership, if you prefer.

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- \$26 Regular - Includes publications
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- \$16 Student - Discounted dues with regular benefits
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- \$500 Life

Thanks,



Zach Poland

OOS Scissortail Membership Update - Q1 02/28/26

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OOS Winter 2025 Conservation Report

New Legal Opinion Regarding Incidental Take Brings Change to the Migratory Bird Treaty Act

As birders and ornithologists, we are all familiar with the 1916 Migratory Bird Treaty and the subsequent 1918 Migratory Bird Treaty Act, which was a landmark law that has protected birds from multiple forms of direct take within the United States for over a century. The Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) prohibits the killing and possession of adult birds and chicks, as well as the destruction of eggs and active nests that contain eggs or chicks. It also regulates trade and commercial activity involving native birds, their eggs, and their feathers. For the first half of the MBTA's existence, the federal government and the federal court system applied the Act only to cases involving possession or the direct killing of migratory birds. However, that began to change in the 1970s following the passage of the Endangered Species Act. One of the unique aspects of the Endangered Species Act is that it was the first wildlife law to include language specifically prohibiting harm, harassment, and other activities that could indirectly or unintentionally result in the death of threatened and endangered animals. Beginning in the mid-1970s, staff with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service began to expand the traditional interpretation of the prohibitions of the MBTA and in 1978 prosecuted the first case of

unintentional/indirect take of migratory birds against a distributor of pesticides that was linked to a poisoning of waterfowl (this poisoning also was a violation of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act). This sparked a national debate that continues today over whether the MBTA's prohibitions apply to forms of "take" deemed incidental, indirect, or unintentional.

Without clear language in the law, the MBTA has been interpreted as prohibiting incidental take in some district courts but not in others, and since the 1950s, Congress has been unwilling or unable to make any substantial changes to the language of the MBTA to resolve this issue. Since 2017, a series of legal opinions (known as M-Opinions) have been issued by the last four administrations to use executive branch authority to shape the application of the MBTA in cases of incidental take. First, after taking no action for eight years, the Obama Administration issued M-Opinion M-37041 eleven days before the first inauguration of President Trump, which determined that Congress had originally intended for the MBTA to prohibit the incidental take of migratory birds. Four weeks later, the Trump Administration temporarily suspended that M-Opinion, and three other unrelated opinions, under the authority of the Administrative Procedures Act, and in December of 2017, replaced it with M-Opinion M-37050 that determined that Congress did not originally intend for the prohibitions of the MBTA to extend to situations of incidental take. That opinion stood until March 2021 when the Biden Administration issued M-Opinion 37065, which permanently revoked and withdrew the Trump Administration's M-Opinion. Additionally, the Biden Administration directed the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to initiate rulemaking to codify the prohibition of incidental take and to create a permitting system to address incidental take. That rulemaking was initiated in 2021, and a permitting system based on the Clean Water Act's Section 404 process was proposed and published for public comment. However, in the fall of 2023, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service temporarily suspended rulemaking due to technical issues. Most recently, in April 2025, the second Trump Administration issued

M-Opinion M-37085, which withdrew and repealed M-Opinion M-37065 and directed the Department of the Interior to consider 2017's M-37050 as the authoritative and binding MBTA determination except in New York's Southern District, where a 2020 court case had ruled against that M-Opinion. Furthermore, in the summer of 2025, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced that it had permanently suspended its rulemaking on incidental take.

This back-and-forth interpretation will probably be the norm for the foreseeable future. For the next three years, the Trump Administration's M-Opinion is expected to stand, and it will be interesting to see what transpires in the New York Southern District, where, hypothetically, the federal government could pursue cases involving incidental take.



Mark Howery

OKLAHOMA BIRDERS' NEWS:

Warbling Vireos in Oklahoma: CALL FOR HELP

Former subspecies of the **Warbling Vireo** (*Vireo gilvus*) were recently given species status as the Eastern Warbling Vireo (*Vireo gilvus*—formerly the subspecies *V.g. gilvus*) and Western Warbling Vireo (*Vireo swainsoni*—formerly the subspecies *V.g. swainsoni* and *V.g. brewsteri* occurring in the US, with two additional subspecies found only in Mexico). While the split was long considered by some ornithologists, such as Jon Barlow (pers. comm.), it wasn't until recent genetic studies that the distinctions could be empirically justified (see Carpenter et al. 2021, 2022). Eastern Warbling Vireos breed across much of the eastern and central US into southern Canada, favoring riparian areas in the Great Plains, while Western Warbling Vireos generally breed at higher elevations in mixed deciduous forest areas of the Mountain West, Pacific ranges, and the Western Cordillera into Mexico.

The recent split creates a new and challenging frontier for Oklahoma birders.

Few birders showed concern or interest in making subspecific identifications in the past, in part because of the similarity between them.

Sutton (1967) recognized the Eastern Warbling Vireo as the predominant subspecies across most of Oklahoma, becoming less common westward in the Oklahoma Panhandle. He also identified 6 of the specimens he and colleagues collected in Cimarron County as the Western Warbling Vireo subspecies (then considered *swainsoni*).

With the new species distinction, several authors—notably David Sibley and Stephen Mlodinow et al.-- have examined ways to distinguish these species. The most useful characteristic to separate species in song (see below). But the authors felt that field identification of silent birds is difficult, and perhaps only conclusive using song recordings (Mlodinow et al. 2025; Sibley, (<https://www.sibleyguides.com/2025/11/identification-of-eastern-and-western-warbling-vireos/>)). Some characteristics have been mentioned, most notably the smaller bill of Western Warbling Vireos, but distinctions from features other than song are still works in progress. Most features being considered showed overlaps and exceptions among species.

This leaves some needs and a call for help.

Western Warbling Vireos are likely rare migrants along the westernmost areas of Great Plains states such as Oklahoma, Kansas, and Nebraska. Given the uncertainties in range and ID of Warbling Vireos in the western Great Plains, eBird has assigned a default status to previous entries of Warbling Vireos from the Oklahoma Panhandle (Beaver, Texas, and Cimarron counties) as Eastern/Western Warbling Vireo. Warbling Vireos in these areas should be recorded where possible and entered into eBird. While many probably cannot be identified from just photos, photos of known singing individuals can contribute to knowledge of identifying other critical features useful in field identification. Also, little is still known about late-season singing by hatch-year males learning to sing their species-specific song. Recording in this period will provide useful information on their variations and permutations from the breeding season song patterns.

Good references for the song are the following. In general, the typical song of an Eastern Warbling Vireo differs from that of a Western

Warbling Vireo in being longer, with syllables more “tinny,” given more rapidly, and having an up-slurred ending. The song of the Western Warbling Vireo is shorter and has syllables more spaced with notes of a more finch-like quality, somewhat in subtle contrast to the more rapid syllables of the Eastern Warbling Vireo song (S. G. Mlodinow, personal observation). Listening repeatedly to the following can engrain a general sense for the quality and cadences of the different species’ songs.

Song of Western Warbling Vireo (*Vireo swainsoni*). © Jay McGowan

Cassia, Idaho, United States; 21 Jul 2017

- [Macaulay Library ML 65162911](#)
- [eBirdS38325747](#)

Song of Eastern Warbling Vireo (*Vireo gilvus*). © Jeff Ellerbusch

Somerset, New Jersey, United States; 29 May 2023

- [Macaulay Library ML 578787271](#)
- [eBirdS139770003](#)

Note that the Western Warbling Vireo has been placed on the Review List of species for Oklahoma, evaluated by the Oklahoma Bird Records Committee.

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NOTEWORTHY RECORDS OF BIRDS IN OKLAHOMA:

SPRING 2025 PERIOD

The following is a listing of noteworthy records of birds for the Spring period—March through May 2025. It incorporates records outside or near limits of expected occurrence delimited by the *DATE GUIDE to the Occurrences of Birds in Oklahoma, Seventh Edition* (Oklahoma Bird Records Committee (OBRC), 2019, Oklahoma Ornithological Society, Norman, OK.). Also included are noteworthy high counts. Exceptional records reviewed and found acceptable by the Oklahoma Bird Records Committee are given in bold. Species whose names are followed by an (R) are expected, but RARE in very low frequencies. **Bold**, *italics*, and underscores for date or locality depict records outside limits specified for the species in the DATE GUIDE. High counts are bold-faced and underscored. m. ob. = multiple observers.

The spring period is primarily a time of migration with the arrival of many insectivorous species wintering south of Oklahoma and departures of other species wintering in Oklahoma. Over the past decades, wintering waterfowl and gulls have been departing earlier and earlier. Few tardy waterfowl or gulls were noted this spring. Several species were found quite early—Short-billed Dowitcher, Buff-breasted Sandpiper, Olive-sided Flycatcher, and Clay-colored Sparrow.

Among neotropical migrant warblers and vireos, a pattern has been to find some eastern migrants westerly, and few western migrants easterly. Odd species east and west of normal were Vermilion Flycatcher, Brewer's Sparrow, Kentucky, and Hooded Warblers. A Bushtit in Greer County was quite unexpected; the species is resident on the Edwards Plateau of central Texas and the mesa country of Cimarron County. Painted Buntings are edging westward as a possible breeding species, now into Cimarron County. Crested Caracaras continue establishing themselves in southeastern and south-central Oklahoma.

Significant rarities requiring OBRC review were limited—no mega rarities. Clearly rare in the Great Plains, **Black Rail** was detected in Cimarron County, a first for the county. **Zone-tailed Hawks** returned again to the Wichita Mountains WR. And another significant outlier **Bronzed Cowbird**, was found in Payne County.

SPECIES	NUM.	DATE (2025)	COUNTY	LOCALITY	OBSERVER
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	4-5	1 May 2025	<u>Woodward</u>	<u>Fort Supply Reservoir</u>	Tim Springer, Kendall Van Zanten
Black-bellied Whistling-Duck (R)	2,13	27 Apr, 28 May 2025	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Gyp Mill Road</u>	John Ault
Snow Goose	1	<u>3-7 May 2025</u>	Garfield	Meadowlake Park	Curtis Stewart, Richard Diedrich, Kendall Van Zanten
Mottled Duck	1	10 May 2025	Johnston	Peach Bottom Road	Justin Roach
Black Scoter (R)	1 M	9 Mar 2025	McIntosh	Eufaula Lake at Eufaula	Steve Glover, Greg Cook
Common Merganser	1 M	<u>thru 12 Apr 2025</u>	Alfalfa	Great Salt Plains SP	m. ob.
King Rail (R)	1-3	15-25 May 2025	Tillman	Hackberry Flat WMA	Doug Wood, Steve Stone, Don Pearson
Sora	2-5	<u>25, 31 May 2025</u>	Tillman	Hackberry Flat WMA	Steve Stone, Don Pearson, Mary & Lou Truex
Common Gallinule (R)	1-6	8-31 May 2025	Tillman	Hackberry Flat WMA	Mary & Lou Truex, m. ob.
Common Gallinule (R)	1	16 May 2025	Payne	Cushing WTP	Scott Loss
Purple Gallinule (R)	1	<u>10 Apr 2025</u>	<u>Cleveland</u>	<u>Lake Thunderbird</u>	Kate Goodenough, Tomasz Kuder
Black Rail	1	1-3 May 2025	Cimarron	private property	Steve Metz, m. ob.
Piping Plover (R)	1	14 Apr 2025	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss

Piping Plover (R)	1	20 Apr 2025	Creek	Cottonwood Creek Wetland Dev Unit	Neil Gilbert
Piping Plover (R)	2-3	22 Apr- 7 May 2025	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	James Bradford, Miguel Demeneghi, m. ob.
Piping Plover (R)	1	1 May 2025	Washington	Adams Ranch	Melinda Droege
Piping Plover (R)	1	5 May 2025	Tillman	Hackberry Flat WMA	Mary & Lou Truex
Piping Plover (R)	1	19-25 May 2025	Alfalfa	Sandpiper Trail	Erik Atwell, m. ob.
Whimbrel (R)	1-29	<u>19 Apr - 27 May 2025</u>	multiple	Oklahoma locations	m. ob.
Whimbrel (R)	<u>29</u> (high count)	28 Apr 2025	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Kendall Van Zanten, Edward Tiede, Aaron Short
Short-billed Dowitcher (R)	1	<u>21 Apr 2025</u>	Alfalfa	Burlington Marsh	Aaron Short
Short-billed Dowitcher (R)	2	8 May 2025	Woodward	Fort Supply Reservoir	Tim Srpinge
Red-necked Phalarope (R)	1	<u>25 May 2025</u>	Tillman	Hackberry Flat WMA	Steve Stone, Don Pearson
Red-necked Phalarope (R)	1	<u>25 May 2025</u>	Tulsa	Leonard Sod Farms	Bill Carrell
Willet	1	<u>29 Mar 2025</u>	Roger Mills	Dead Warrior Lake	Sam Maddox
Ruddy Turnstone	1	<u>20 Apr 2025</u>	Creek	Cottonwood Creek Wetland Dev Unit	Neil Gilbert
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	2	<u>30 Mar-3 Apr 2025</u>	Tulsa	Bixby Sod Farms	Jana Singletary, m. ob.
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	4	<u>4 Apr 2025</u>	Tulsa	Leonard Sod Farms	Jeff Cox
Laughing Gull (R)	1	7 May 2025	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Stephen Ofsthun, m. ob.
Laughing Gull (R)	1	22-26 May 2025	Cleveland	Lake Thunderbird, East Sentinel	Joe Grzybowski, Tomasz Kuder, Matt Ratcliffe
Glaucous Gull (R)	1	1 Mar 2025	Blaine	Canton Lake	Aaron Short, Matthew Cloyd
California Gull (R)	1	3 May 2025	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss
Common Tern (R)	1	<u>3 May 2025</u>	Payne	Lake Carl Blackwell	Scott Loss
Red-throated Loon (R)	1	thru 26 Apr 2025	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	m. ob., David Kocieniewski, Makayla Foster
Red-throated Loon (R)	2	1 Mar 2025	Noble	Sooner Lake, Bank Fishing Area	Neil Gilbert, Clay Billman
Pacific Loon (R)	1	<u>4 May 2024</u>	<u>Haskell</u>	<u>Eufaula Dam</u>	Greg Cook
Anhinga	3	11 May 2025	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Tishomingo NWR</u>	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra
Anhinga	1	7 Apr- 6 May 2024	<u>Oklahoma</u>	<u>Martin Park Nature Center</u>	Megan Miguez, Larry Mays, m. ob.
Glossy Ibis (R)	1-5	17 Apr-31 May 2025	multiple	central strip counties	m. ob.
Glossy x White-faced Ibis (hybrid) ®	1-2	20 Apr-26 May 2025	Alfalfa, Tillman, Woodward	multiple locations	m. ob.
American Bittern	3,1	<u>26, 31 May 2025</u>	Tillman	Hackberry Flat WMA	Scotty Loffland, Mary & Lou Truex
Tricolored Heron (R)	1	3 May 2025	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell</u>	Scott Loss
Tricolored Heron (R)	1	10-22 May 2025	Alfalfa	Salt Plains NWR, Eagle Roost Trail	Matthew Cloyd, Aaron Millard, m. ob.
Brown Pelican	1	4-9 May 2025	Oklahoma	Lake Hefner	Jason McKirahan, m. ob.
White-tailed Kite	1	<u>13 Apr 2025</u>	Harmon	Lake Hall	Scotty Loffland, Bryan Box
Swallow-tailed Kite ®	1	<u>12 Apr 2025</u>	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Tishomingo NWR</u>	Justin Roach
Golden Eagle	1	<u>22 Mar 2025</u>	<u>Delaware</u>	<u>Upper Spavinaw Rec. Area</u>	Jeff Cox
Mississippi Kite	1	8 Apr 2025	<u>Woods</u>	<u>Alva</u>	Aaron Short

Common Black Hawk	1	26 Apr 2025	Comanche	Indianahoma	Aaron Short
Zone-tailed Hawk	1	7 Apr thru period	Comanche	Wichita Mountains WR	Brian Marra, Grace Huffman, m. ob.
Lewis's Woodpecker	2	16 May 2025	Cimarron	near Black Mesa	Bill Carrell
Lewis's Woodpecker	2	25 May 2025	Cimarron	nw. Cimarron County	Joe Grzybowski
Crested Caracara (R)	1	7 Mar 2025	Bryan	nw of Durant	Doug Wood
Crested Caracara (R)	1	1 Apr 2025	<u>Cotton</u>	<u>Waurika WMA</u>	Bryan Box
Crested Caracara (R)	1	4 May 2025	Bryan	Platter Road	Doug Wood
Crested Caracara (R)	1	22 May 2025	<u>Blaine</u>	<u>Salt Creek Canyon (private)</u>	C.J. Stephens
Olive-sided Flycatcher	1	<u>18 Apr 2025</u>	Comanche	Wichita Mountains WR	Donna Stumpp
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (R)	1	10 May 2025	Cleveland	Lake Thunderbird	Cody Delano
Acadian Flycatcher	1	29 May 2025	<u>Oklahoma</u>	<u>Myriad Botanical Gardens</u>	Brian Marra
Vermilion Flycatcher (R)	1	24-25 Mar 2025	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Mohawk Park</u>	Terry Mitchell, m. ob.
Vermilion Flycatcher (R)	1	7 Apr 2025	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Bixby Sod Farms</u>	Terri Martindale
Say's Phoebe (R)	1	23 Mar 2025	<u>Johnston</u>	<u>Tishomingo NWR</u>	Doug Wood
Say's Phoebe (R)	1	4 Apr 2025	<u>Cleveland</u>	<u>Southwest 149th St., Oklahoma City</u>	Larry Mays
Say's Phoebe (R)	1	7 Apr 2025	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell dam</u>	Scott Loss
Cassin's Kingbird	1	15 May 2025	<u>Texas</u>	<u>Optima Reservoir</u>	Bill Carrell
Black-capped Vireo	1	<u>29 Mar 2025</u>	Comanche	Wichita Mountains WR	Laura Weaver
Black-capped Vireo	1	<u>31 Mar-1 Apr 2025</u>	<u>Ellis</u>	<u>Packsaddle WMA</u>	Edward Tiede, Kendall Van Zanten
Plumbeous Vireo (R)	1	<u>20 May 2025</u>	Cimarron	Black Mesa SP	Aaron Short, Dillon Cochran
Northern Shrike (R)	1	2 Mar 2025	<u>Woods</u>	<u>Freedom</u>	Dillon Cochran, Aaron Short, Matthew Cloyd
Cave Swallow	1	17 May 2025	<u>Oklahoma</u>	<u>Crystal Lake</u>	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra
Bushtit	4	23 May 2025	<u>Greer</u>	<u>Sandy Sanders WMA</u>	T.J. Hatchcock
Lesser Goldfinch (R)	1	<u>21 Mar 2025</u>	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Will Rogers Woods (private)</u>	Scott Loss
Lapland Longspur	25-1	<u>29 Mar-6 Apr 2025</u>	Garfield	Carrier Sod Farms	Curtis Stewart, Richard Diedrich, m. ob.
Thick-billed Longspur	1-4	29 Mar- <u>15 Apr 2025</u>	Garfield	Carrier Sod Farms	Curtis Stewart, Richard Diedrich, m. ob.
Clay-colored Sparrow	1	<u>17 Mar 2025</u>	Cleveland	Norman	Luis Cuerto
Brewer's Sparrow	1	2 May 2025	<u>Tulsa</u>	<u>Woodward Park</u>	Zach Poland
Bullock's Oriole	1M	17 May 2025	<u>Garfield</u>	<u>Enid</u>	Richard Diedrich
Bronzed Cowbird	1M	3 May 2025	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Lake Carl Blackwell</u>	Landon Neumann
Prothonotary Warbler	1	4 May 2025	<u>Cimarron</u>	<u>Black Mesa SP</u>	Neil Gilbert, Lucas Bobay, Harold Eyster
Tennessee Warbler	1	4 May 2025	<u>Cimarron</u>	<u>Black Mesa SP</u>	Neil Gilbert, Lucas Bobay, Harold Eyster
Kentucky Warbler	1M	14 May 2025	<u>Ellis</u>	<u>Shattuck Park</u>	Doug Wood
Hooded Warbler	1M	23 Apr 2025	<u>Kingfisher</u>	<u>Dover</u>	Steve Glover, Darlene McNeil
Hooded Warbler	1M	7 May 2025	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Stillwater</u>	Scott & Sara Loss, Neil Gilbert
Cape May Warbler	1	27 Apr 2025	Oklahoma	Arcadia Lake, Spring Creek Park	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra

Bay-breasted Warbler (R)	1	5 May 2025	<i>Harper</i>	<i>Doby Springs Park</i>	Neil Gilbert
Bay-breasted Warbler (R)	1	13 May 2025	<u><i>Oklahoma</i></u>	<u><i>Myriad Botanical Gardens</i></u>	Grace Huffman, Brian Marra, Steve Stone
Bay-breasted Warbler (R)	1	19 May 2025	<u><i>Payne</i></u>	<u><i>Sanborn Lake</i></u>	Michael Reichert, Hande Acar
Yellow-throated Warbler	1	13 Apr 2023	<u><i>Comanche</i></u>	<u><i>Lawton</i></u>	Carmen Ricer
Lazuli Bunting (R)	1	7 May 2025	Tulsa	Bixby Sod Farms	Jana Singletary
Lazuli Bunting (R)	1	10 May 2025	Rogers	Claremore	Terry Brunholtz
Painted Bunting	1 M	16-26 May 2025	<u><i>Cimarron</i></u>	<u><i>nw. part of county--multiple locations</i></u>	Bill Carrell, Joe Grzybowski

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