Field Trip: Sunday, May 29, 2011

Trip Leader: Lovelett, Felicia

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Location: Scrubland

Details: Patapsco Valley State Park (scrubland and Sykesville river sections) 7:30-11AM, sunny-part cloudy, no wind, 68-80F ~3.25 miles

Number on trip: 12

(Numbers of individuals are shown if they were recorded.)

- Canada Goose: 42
- Black Vulture: 1
- Turkey Vulture: 2
- Cooper's Hawk:
- Red-shouldered Hawk: 1
- Mourning Dove: 1
- Red-bellied Woodpecker: 11
- Pileated Woodpecker: 3
- Eastern Wood-Pewee:
- Acadian Flycatcher: 11
- Willow Flycatcher: 1
- Great Crested Flycatcher: 7
- Eastern Kingbird: 4
- White-eyed Vireo: 5
- Yellow-throated Vireo: 3
- Red-eyed Vireo: 10
- Blue Jay: 4
- American Crow: 10
- Tree Swallow: 5
- Barn Swallow: 25
- Carolina Chickadee: 5
- Tufted Titmouse: 3
- Carolina Wren: 2
- House Wren: 1
- Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: 6
- Eastern Bluebird: 6
- Veery: 2
- Wood Thrush: 10
- American Robin: 2
- Gray Catbird: 38
- Northern Mockingbird: 1
- Brown Thrasher: 5
- European Starling: 6
- Cedar Waxwing: 5
- Blue-winged Warbler: 3
- Northern Parula: 3
- Yellow Warbler: 4
- Chestnut-sided Warbler: 1
- Prairie Warbler: 3
- American Redstart: 1
- Ovenbird: 8
- Louisiana Waterthrush: 4
- Common Yellowthroat: 4
- Eastern Towhee: 3
- Chipping Sparrow: 5
- Field Sparrow: 2
- Scarlet Tanager: 5
- Northern Cardinal: 17
- Blue Grosbeak: 1
- Indigo Bunting: 13
- Brown-headed Cowbird: 1
- Orchard Oriole: 3
- Baltimore Oriole: 6
- House Finch: 5
- American Goldfinch: 6
- House Sparrow: 2

Comments:
Great views of Great-crested Flycatcher, Blue-winged and Prairie Warbler in the early scrubland part of the walk. Everyone bravely continued down to the river via overgrown trails. Notable forest birds included: Acadian Flycatcher, Veery, Worm-eating Warbler and Louisiana Waterthrush. At the end of the walk (back in the
scrubland), we saw a Cooper's Hawk with kingbirds and a cloud of angry swallows in hot pursuit.