ecies	Abundanc S Su F W		Species	Abundanc S Su F W	
Flammulated Owl*(N) Northern Pygmy-Owl* Boreal Owl* Northern Saw-whet Owl Barred Owl Snowy Owl Burrowing Owl*(N)	U U U R R R	Coniferous Forests Grasslands, Mixed Woodlands Mature Forests Mixed Woodlands Coniferous Woodlands Farmlands Grasslands	_ Clark's Nutcracker _ Black-billed Magpie _ American Crow _ Common Raven TITMICE & CHICKADEES _ Plain Titmouse	A A A C C C C O U U U U	Alpine and Coniferous Forests Found in most areas Found in most areas Found in most areas
OORWILLS & NIGHTHAWKS	3		_ Black-capped Chickadee _ Mountain Chickadee		Deciduous and Coniferous Forests Deciduous and Coniferous Forests
Common Poorwill(nb) Common Nighthawk(N)	U U U U C U	Woodlands, Rocky Canyons Open Woodlands, Grasslands	BUSHTITS		
WIFTS & HUMMINGBIRDS			_ Bushtit	RRR	Juniper Woodlands, Deciduous Forests
White-throated Swift(N) Black-chinned Hummingbird(N) Calliope Hummingbird(N) Broad-tailed Hummingbird(N) Rufous Hummingbird(N)	U U O U O U U U C C C O O O	Cliffs, Canyons, Grasslands Open and Riparian Woodlands, Gardens Forests, Meadows Open Woodlands, Shrub Hillsides Coniferous Forests, Shrub Hillsides	CREEPERS  _ Brown Creeper(nb)  NUTHATCHES	ССИИ	Mixed Forests
INGFISHERS			<ul><li>White-breasted Nuthatch</li><li>Red-breasted Nuthatch</li></ul>	U U U C C C C	Mixed Forests Mixed Forests
Belted Kingfisher(nb)	CCCU	Lakes, Streams, Rivers, Marshes	WRENS		
VOODPECKERS  Northern Flicker(n)  Lewis' Woodpecker(N)  Williamson's Sapsucker(N)  Red-naped Sapsucker(N)  Downy Woodpecker	C C C U U U U U U C C U U U O	Forests, Open and Riparian Woodlands Open Forests and Woodlands Coniferous Forests Coniferous or Mixed Forests Deciduous and Mixed Forests,	House Wren(N)  Marsh Wren(nb)  Canyon Wren  Rock Wren(nb)  KINGLETS & THRUSHES	CCU CCUO UU CCOR	Deciduous Forests Marshes Cliffs, Canyons, Rocky Outcrops Exposed Rocks, Cliffs, Canyons
Hairy Woodpecker Three-toed Woodpecker* Black-backed Woodpecker*	U U O U U U R	Urban Areas Deciduous and Mixed Forests Coniferous Forests Coniferous Forests, Barns	_ Golden-crowned Kinglet(N) _ Ruby-crowned Kinglet(n) _ Blue-gray Gnatcatcher(N) _ Mountain Bluebird(nb) _ Townsend's Solitare(nb)	C C U R U U C C U O	Coniferous Forests Deciduous and Coniferous Forests Juniper Woodlands Meadows, Mixed and Juniper Woodlands Coniferous Forests, Rocky Cliffs
INGBIRDS			_ Veery(N)	U U U C C U	Deciduous Forests Coniferous Forests, Aspen and Willow
Eastern Kingbird(N) Western Kingbird(N) Cassin's Kingbird	C C U C C U R	Sagebrush, Grasslands, Riparian Sagebrush, Grasslands, Riparian Woodlands Farmland, Sagebrush	_ Swainson's Thrush(N) _ Hermit Thrush(N) _ American Robin(nb)	CCU	Mixed Woodlands Juniper Woodlands, Mixed Forests
LYCATCHERS		Tannand, Jageordon	SHRIKES	*****	I . W II I C I I/
Ash-throated Flycatcher(N) Olive-sided Flycatcher(N) Western Wood-Pewee(N)	R O U U C C	Juniper Woodlands, Deciduous Forests Forests and Woodlands Deciduous and Coniferous Forests	_ Loggerhead Shrike*(nb) _ Northern Shrike  MOCKINGBIRDS & THRASH		Juniper Woodlands, Sagebrush/ Grasslands Mixed Forests, Juniper/Sagebrush
Say's Phoebe(nb) Gray Flycatcher(N) Dusky Flycatcher(N) Hammond's Flycatcher(N) Willow Flycatcher(N) Cordilleran Flycatcher(N)	U U O O C C C U U U U U	Cliffs, Deciduous Forests Juniper, Grasslands, Sagebrush Aspen Groves, Coniferous Forests Coniferous Forests Meadows, Streams, Upland Pastures Coniferous Forests	Gray Catbird(N) Northern Mockingbird(nb) Sage Thrasher(nb)  PIPITS	U U U R R R C C U	Deciduous Forests Juniper Woodlands, Deciduous Forests Grasslands, Sagebrush
ARKS			_ American Pipit(nb)	URU	Lake Shores, Alpine Zone
Horned Lark(nb)	СССС	Grasslands, Sagebrush, Grazed Pastures	DIPPERS		
WALLOWS			_ American Dipper	CCUU	Mountain Streams
Tree Swallow(N) Violet-green Swallow(N) Bank Swallow(N) Northern Rough-winged Swallow		Open areas along water Open mixed forests Sand and Gravel Banks	WAXWINGS  _ Bohemian Waxwing _ Cedar Waxwing(nb)	U UC UUU	Juniper Woodlands, Mixed Forests Juniper Woodlands, Mixed Forests
Cliff Swallow(N) Barn Swallow(N)	C C U C C C	Open areas along water Open areas along water, Cliffs, Bridges Open areas along water, Barns, Bridges	STARLINGS _ European Starling	СССС	Found in most areas
AYS, MAGPIES, & CROWS			VIREOS		
Scrub Jay Pinyon Jay Steller's Jay Gray Jay	$\begin{array}{c} U \ U \ U \ U \\ U \ U \ U \ U \end{array}$	Juniper Woodlands Juniper Woodlands Deciduous and Coniferous Forests Deciduous and Coniferous Forests	_ Solitary Vireo(N) _ Red-eyed Vireo(N) _ Warbling Vireo(N)	C U U U U U C C U	Mixed Woodlands Coniferous Forests Deciduous Forests

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Species	S Su F W	Habitat
WARBLERS, SPARROWS, GRO	SBEAKS	& BUNTINGS
_ Orange-crowned Warbler(N) _ Nashville Warbler(N) _ Virginia's Warbler(N) _ Yellow-rumped Warbler(nb) _ Black-throated Gray Warbler(N) _ Townsend's Warbler(N) _ Yellow Warbler(N) _ MacGillivray's Warbler(N) _ Northern Waterthrush(N) _ Common Yellowthroat(N) _ Yellow-breasted Chat(N)	U U O O O O O O O O O C C C R U U U U U C C U C C U O O O O U U U C C C C	Decidusous and Coniferous Forests Open Deciduous and Coniferous Forests Juniper and Deciduous Woodlands Deciduous and Coniferous Forests Juniper Woodland Mixed Forests Deciduous and Riparian Woodlands Deciduous Forests, Water Areas Woodland Bogs Marshes, Grassy Fields Riparian Thickets,
American Redstart(N) Wilson's Warblet(N) Black-headed Grosbeak(N) Lazuli Bunting(N) Green-tailed Towhee(N) Rufous-sided Towhee(nb) Grasshopper Sparrow(N) Vesper Sparrow(N) Savannah Sparrow(N)	URUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU	Woodland Undergrowth Mixed Forests Willow Riparian Deciduous Forests Deciduous Forests, Juniper Woodlands Deciduous Forests, Juniper Woodlands Deciduous Forests Grasslands, Sagebrush Grasslands, Sagebrush, Farmlands Grasslands, Sagebrush, Farmlands, Marshes
_ Lark Sparrow(N) _ Sage Sparrow(nb) _ American Tree Sparrow  _ Chipping Sparrow(N) _ Brewer's Sparrow(N) _ Dark-eyed Junco(nb)	U U O U U U U C C U U U U U C C C U	Juniper Woodlands, Grasslands, Sagebrush Grasslands, Sagebrush Deciduous Forests, Grasslands, Sagebrush Juniper, Coniferous, Deciduous Forests Grasslands, Sagebrush, Meadows Mixed Forests
_ White-crowned Sparrow(nb)	CCUR	Deciduous Forests, Marshes

C C U U Deciduous Forests, Marshes, Water Areas

UUU Wet Meadows, Deciduous Forests

C C U Riparian Woodlands

UU Grasslands, Sagebrush
OU Grasslands, Sagebrush
R R Grasslands, Sagebrush

# BLACKBIRDS & ORIOLES

Fox Sparrow(nb)

Song Sparrow(n) \_ Lincoln's Sparrow(N)

\_ Lapland Longspur

Snow Bunting Lark Bunting(N)

C C U	Coniferous Forests
UUU	Grasslands, Meadows
CCUR	Grasslands, Sagebrush, Farmlands
AAC	Marshes, Farmlands
AAC	Grasslands, Sagebrush, Marshes,
	Farmlands
CCC	Marshes, Riparian Woodlands
CCU	Grasslands, Mixed Forests, Sagebrusl
CCO	Riparian Woodlands, Marshes
UUU	Riparian Woodlands, Urban Areas
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# WEAVERS

C C C C Farmlands, Woodlands, Urban Areas \_ House Sparrow

INCHES		
Common Redpoll	R RO	Mixed Forests, Parks
Pine Siskin(n)	CCOO	Mixed Forests
American Goldfinch(n)	CCCO	Grasslands, Deciduous Forests, Farmlan
Red Crossbill	UUU	Coniferous Forests
White-winged Crossbill	000	Coniferous Forests
Pine Grosbeak	UUUU	Mixed Forests
Gray-crowned Rosy-finch	UUUU	Cliffs, Grasslands, Rocky Areas
Cassin's Finch(nb)	CCU	Deciduous and Coniferous Forests
House Finch	CCCU	Grasslands, Sagebrush, Farmlands
Evening Grosbeak	CUCO	Mixed Forests, Parks

#### LEGEND

#### ABUNDANCE

A Abundant	A bird that is likely to be seen or heard every time in large numbers (50 birds or more) by an observer visiting its habitat at the proper season.
C Common	A bird that may be seen or heard most of the time

or in smaller numbers (10-49 birds/day/area) by an observer visiting its habitat in the proper season.

U Uncommon A bird that may be seen or heard quite regularly in small numbers (0.1-9 birds/day/area) by an observer visiting its habitat in the proper season.

O Occasional A bird seen only a few times during a season in suitable habitat.

R Rare A rare bird is usually seen or heard only by an experienced observer (0.1 or less birds/day/area) and occupies only a small percentage of its preferred habitat or occupies a very specific

limited habitat.

# Season

S Spring	March to May
Su Summer	June to August
F Fall	September to Novembe
W Winter	December to February

# SPECIAL CLASSES

N)	Birds that breed in North America but winter in Mexico, the Caribbean Islands, and Central and South America. This group contains those birds recognized as neotropical migratory birds.
n)	Birds that breed and rear young in the United States and Canada, but winter in more temperate zones, such as the southern United States or Mexico.
b)	Birds that breed and winter in North America but part of their populations migrate south.
	Threatened or Endangered (T/E), candidates for



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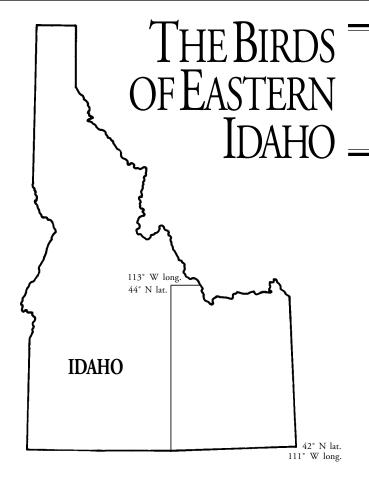
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edicine Lodge, Big Butte and Pocatello Resource Areas of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) are located in southeastern Idaho. The area has considerable variation in elevation, aspect, and land configuration.

The Medicine Lodge Resource Area contains about 648,700 acres in the Upper Snake River Plain. An additional 140,400 acres lie within the boundary of Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. Two major rivers, the Henry's Fork and the South Fork of the Snake River, traverse the area. The South Fork provides critical wintering and nesting habitat for bald eagles. Forest grouse is one of more than 80 species of birds that inhabit in the riparian area along the river. Islands in the river are preferred nesting sites for geese because they provide protection against preditors.

The Big Butte Resource Area contains 1,420,400 acres of public land. Landscape diversity



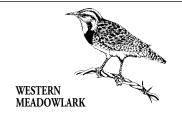






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characterizes the Big Butte Resource Area. The southern part of the resource area is mostly desert, with undulating hills covered with sagebrush and grasses. The northern part takes in higher country, including parts of the Lemhi and Lost River mountain ranges. The entire resource area has an abundant and diverse population of raptors. Sage grouse and mourning doves live in the area, and a large concentration of sage sparrows can be found west of Atomic City.

The Pocatello Resource Area encompasses 264,500 acres of public land. Three major rivers run through the area: the Portneuf, Blackfoot, and the Bear. Elevation ranges from 4,350 feet in the valleys to 9,957 feet atop Meade Peak. Waterfowl can be found along the major river systems and in scattered stock ponds and marshes. Upland game birds live in suitable habitat throughout the area. Up to 125 bald eagles are known to winter in the resource area along the major river drainages, and peregrine falcons can be seen during their spring and fall migration. Whooping cranes have been introduced at the Grays Lake National Wildlife Refuge and sometimes can be seen there in the spring and summer with the sandhill cranes. The American Falls Reservoir is a major stopover for migratory waterfowl and shorebirds in the fall and spring.

This checklist was compiled with the help of the second edition of the National Geographic Society's Field Guide to the Birds of North America. It has been reviewed by wildlife biologists in the BLM resource areas, and by Chuck Trost, professor of ornithology at Idaho State University. This list was prepared by Nina Hapner of BLM.

Information on sightings that would improve the accuracy of this checklist would be greatly appreciated. Please report sightings to the Idaho Falls District Office.

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LO	ONS

\_ Red-throated Loon R Lakes Pacific Loon 0 Lakes MR M Lakes, Marshes \_ Common Loon\*

SAGE

GROUSE

# GREBES

Horned Grebe R R R Lakes, Marshes Eared Grebe(n) Lakes, Marshes, Rivers Western Grebe(n) Lakes, Marshes UUULakes, Marshes Clark's Grebe(n) Pied-billed Grebe(n) C C U Lakes, Marshes, Rivers

#### PELICANS & CORMORANTS

American White Pelican(N) C C C Lakes, Rivers Lakes, Rivers Double-crested Cormorant(n)

# **HERONS**

\_ Great Blue Heron CCUR Lakes, Marshes, Rivers Green Heron(N) RR Lakes, Marshes Black-crowned Night-heron(n) Lakes, Marshes

#### BITTERNS

American Bittern(n) UU Marshes

#### **EGRETS**

Great Egret(N) UU Marshes Snowy Egret(N) CCULakes, Marshes \_ Cattle Egret(N) Marshes, Wet Pastures

#### IBISES

\_ White-faced Ibis\*(N) C C U Marshes, Wet Meadows

#### **STORKS**

Wood Stork RR Wet Meadows

# **CRANES**

Sandhill Crane(N) СU Marshes, Grasslands Whooping Crane\* RR Marshes, Grasslands

# RAILS & COOTS

\_ Virginia Rail(n) UUUR Marshes UUUR Marshes Sora(N) A A A U Lakes, Marshes, Rivers, Ponds American Coot(n)

# SWANS, GEESE, DUCKS & MERGANSERS

Tundra Swan C CR Lakes, Marshes UOUO Lakes, Marshes \_ Trumpeter Swan\* Greater White-fronted Goose R RR Marshes C U Marshes, Pastures Snow Goose Ross' Goose R R Marshes, Pastures Canada Goose A A A C Marshes, Meadows, Rivers Mallard(n) A A A A Lakes, Marshes, Ponds Gadwall(n) C C C U Marshes, Grassy Areas

_ Northern Pintail(n)	C C C U Lakes, Marshes, Rivers, Ponds
Green-winged Teal(n)	C C C U Lakes, Marshes, Ponds
_ Blue-winged Teal(N)	C C C U Lakes, Marshes, Slow Streams
_ Cinnamon Teal(N)	C C C Lakes, Marshes, Ponds
_ American Wigeon(N)	C C C Lakes, Marshes
_ Northern Shoveler(n)	C C C O Marshes
_ Wood Duck(n)	OUO Wooded Swamps, Marshes, Ponds
_ Canvasback(n)	C C C U Lakes, Marshes, Ponds
_ Redhead(n)	C C C U Lakes, Marshes
_ Greater Scaup	R R Lakes, Rivers
_ Lesser Scaup(n)	C C C R Lakes, Marshes, Ponds
_ Harlequin Duck*	R R R Fast Streams
_ Oldsquaw	R OR Lakes
_ Barrow's Goldeneye	U U U O Lakes, Rivers, Ponds
_ Common Goldeneye	URUO Lakes, Rivers, Ponds
_ Bufflehead(n)	C C C U Lakes, Rivers, Ponds
_ Common Merganser	C C C U Lakes, Rivers
_ Red-breasted Merganser	U U Lakes, Rivers, Ponds

UOUO Lakes, Marshes, Streams

C C U M Lakes, Marshes

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## **AVOCETS & STILTS**

Hooded Merganser

Ruddy Duck(n)

American Avocet(N) C C O Marshes, Ponds, Mudflats Black-necked Stilt(N) C C O Marshes, Ponds, Mudflats

#### **PLOVERS**

Semipalmated Plover(N) MMM Lakes, Marshes, Pond Shores, Mudflats Black-bellied Plover(N) MMM Lakes, Pond Shores Lesser Golden-Plover(N) Lakes, Pond Shores Killdeer(nb) CCCR Meadows, Pastures, Mudflats

MMM Marshes

#### SANDPIPERS & PHALAROPES

Marbled Godwit(N)

UUU Grasslands, Pastures Long-billed Curlew\*(N) Willet(N) CUR Marshes Greater Yellowlegs(N) M M Marshes M M Marshes Lesser Yellowlegs(N) M M Marshes, Ponds Solitary Sandpiper(N) Spotted Sandpiper(N) Lakes, Streams, Ponds Short-billed Dowitcher Lakes, Marshes, Ponds Long-billed Dowitcher(N) Lakes, Marshes, Ponds Stilt Sandpiper(N)
Common Snipe(n) Lakes, Marshes, Ponds Marshes, Wet Grassy Areas Dunlin(N) Marshes, Pond and Lake Shores Sanderling(n) Mudflats, Pond and Lake Shores Least Sandpiper(N) Mudflats, Pond and Lake Shores 00CMudflats, Shores Western Sandpiper(N) Baird's Sandpiper(N)
Upland Sandpiper\* Mudflats, Shores OUGrasslands, Meadows, Pastures Wilson's Phalarope(N) OCUMarshes, Wet Meadows, Mudflats

#### **GULLS & TERNS**

Red-necked Phalarope(N)

Franklin's Gull A A U Marshes Bonaparte's Gull Marshes, Rivers, Lakes, Ponds Ringed-billed Gull Lakes, Rivers, Ponds, Irrigated Fields

Lakes, Ponds

\_ Herring Gull Lakes, Rivers

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#### HAWKS, EAGLES & OSPREYS

_ Golden Eagle(n)	UUUU	Found in most areas
_ Bald Eagle*	UUUC	Lakes, Rivers
_ Northern Harrier(nb)	CCCU	Marshes, Grasslands, Sagebrush
_ Sharp-shinned Hawk(nb)	UUU	Juniper Foothills, Mixed Forests
Cooper's Hawk(nb)	UUU	Juniper Foothills, Open Woodlands
Northern Goshawk*(nb)	UUUU	Juniper, Open Woodlands
Red-tailed Hawk(nb)	CCCU	Grasslands, Juniper Foothills, Forests
_ Swainson's Hawk(N)	CCU	Grasslands, Juniper Foothills, Farmland
_ Rough-legged Hawk	C C	Grasslands, Farmlands
	UUR	Sagebrush, Juniper Foothills, Grassland
Osprey(N)	UUU	Lakes, Rivers
	_ Bald Eagle* _ Northern Harrier(nb) _ Sharp-shinned Hawk(nb) _ Cooper's Hawk(nb) _ Northern Goshawk*(nb) _ Red-tailed Hawk(nb) _ Swainson's Hawk(N) _ Rough-legged Hawk _ Ferruginous Hawk*(nb)	Bald Eagle*  Northern Harrier(nb)  Sharp-shinned Hawk(nb)  Cooper's Hawk(nb)  Northern Goshawk*(nb)  Red-tailed Hawk(nb)  Swainson's Hawk(N)  Rough-legged Hawk  Ferruginous Hawk*(nb)  UUUU  CCCU  Rough-legged Hawk  CC  Ferruginous Hawk*(nb)  UUR

#### **VULTURES**

\_ Turkey Vulture(N) CUC Found in most areas

#### **FALCONS**

\_ Ruffed Grouse

American Kestrel(nb) CCCU Sagebrush, Farmlands Merlin(N) RRR Open Woodlands, Grasslands Prairie Falcon(nb) UUU Grasslands, Juniper Foothills Peregrine Falcon\*(N) UUU Lakes, Marshes, Rivers, Grasslands Gyrfalcon R Grasslands

CCCC Deciduous and Mixed Woodland

# GROUSE, PHEASANTS & TURKEYS

_ Blue Grouse	UUUU Deciduous and Coniferous Forests
_ Sharp-tailed Grouse*	UUUU Grasslands, Sagebrush
_ Sage Grouse	C C C C Sagebrush, Grasslands
_ Northern Bobwhite	OOOO Mixed Woodlands, River Valleys
_ Chukar	UUUU Grasslands, Mountain Slopes
_ Gray Patridge	C C C C Grasslands, Farmlands
_ Ring-necked Pheasant	UUUU Grasslands
_ Wild Turkey	R R R R Deciduous and Coniferous Forests

# DOVES

\_ Rock Dove CCCC Found in most areas Mourning Dove(nb) CCC Found in most areas

#### CUCKOOS

Yellow-billed Cuckoo\*(N) R Forests, Open Woodlands

# **OWLS**

Barn Owl(N) OOO Marshes, Grasslands, Juniper Woodlands Short-eared Owl(nb) UUUO Marshes, Grasslands, Meadows Long-eared Owl(nb) UUUO Meadows, Coniferous and

Deciduous Forests Great Horned Owl CCCC Open Woodlands, Forests, Streams

UUUU Meadows, Woodlands, Forests Great Gray Owl\*

Western Screech-owl UUOO Riparian Woodlands, Deciduous Forests