

**Gilbert Water Ranch**  
**2/3/2009**

**Description of ponds**

Parking Lot Pond	By Library, with bridge
First Pond	On beginning of path to right
Second Pond	On left just beyond start of path
Wetlands	Alongside Path over short footbridge
Third Pond	Behind Inlet Falls
Fourth Pond	Beyond Outer Restrooms, on the right, with egrets

Abundance is the expected frequency of sighting at this site for the time of year.

<b><u>Species</u></b>	<b><u>Where Seen</u></b>	<b><u>Abundance</u></b>
Pied-billed Grebe	On all ponds	Common
Double-crested Cormorant	On all ponds, in flight, in trees	Fairly Common
Great Blue Heron	On tall nesting pole	Common
Great Egret	About a dozen on shore of third pond	<b>Uncommon</b>
Green Heron	In flight, third pond and backside of second pond	Fairly Common
Black-crowned Night-Heron	Four in trees just behind inlet falls	Fairly Common
Snow Goose	Flock of eight at rear of Third pond	<b>Uncommon</b>
Canada Goose	In wetlands	Common
Muscovy Duck	Parking Lot Pond	Locally Common
Mallard	Every wet spot	Common
Northern Shoveler	End of wetlands with heads tucked	Common
Gadwall	Wetlands just beyond inlet falls	Common
Green-winged Teal	Wetlands	Common
Northern Pintail	First Pond. Pair next to footbridge	Common
Ring-necked Duck	Parking Lot Pond	Common
Turkey Vulture	On power pole by road	<b>Uncommon</b>
Northern Harrier	Male soared across wetlands	Common
Red-tailed Hawk	Perched atop tree by road	Common
American Kestrel	On top of distant power pole	Common
American Coot	In all ponds	Abundant
Killdeer	Wetlands	Fairly Common
Black-necked Stilt	Wetlands, end of various ponds	Fairly Common
American Avocet	End of wetlands.	<b>Rare</b>
Least Sandpiper	Wetlands	Abundant
Long-billed Dowitcher	Wetlands	Fairly Common
Mourning Dove	Nearing restrooms	Abundant
Eurasian Collared Dove	By Library as we started	<b>Extremely Rare</b>
Anna's Hummingbird	Tops of low trees. All males	Common
Black Phoebe	Near rest rooms	Common
Tree Swallow	In flight by first pond	<b>Rare</b>
Northern Mockingbird	Everywhere	Common
Curve-billed Thrasher	Top of tree by fourth pond	Common
Loggerhead Shrike	In tree by start of wetlands	Common
Verdin	Hard to see. Pair were starting nest	Common
Yellow-rumped Warbler	Hard to see. Only a couple. <i>Audubon's</i>	Abundant
Abert's Towhee	Various	Abundant

Rufous-crowned Sparrow	In trees behind inlet. On ground by Library	Fairly Common
Chipping Sparrow	On ground by Library	Fairly Common
Lincoln's Sparrow	In shrubs by Library	Fairly Common
White-crowned Sparrow	Everywhere. Bathing. Scratching by pond.	Abundant
Song Sparrow	Deep in shrubs, pond four	Common
Red-winged Blackbird	Throughout	Abundant
Great-tailed Grackle	Throughout	Common
House Finch	One near wetlands	Abundant
House Sparrow	Near Library. Approaching rest rooms	Abundant