Bird Survey (Five Valleys Audubon Society)

Location Name: Tom Scheffer Ranch
Date: 7-24-09 Start Time: 0630 Duration: 5 hours
Observers: Jim Brown, Paul Loehnen, Gyla Steiner, Margie Appleman, Nancy Momont

	Number			Number	
Species	**Birds**	**Pairs**	**Species**	**Birds**	**Pairs**
Wood Duck	6	1	Western Kingbird	1	
Cinnamon Teal	1	1	Eastern Kingbird	s	s
Barrow's Goldeneye *	1	1	Black-billed Magpie	m	s
Black-crowned Night Heron	1		American Crow	s	
Turkey Vulture	s		Tree Swallow	s	
Osprey	2	1	Cliff Swallow	s	
Bald Eagle *	2	1	N. Rough-winged Swallow	s	
Red-tailed Hawk	2	1	Barn Swallow	s	
American Kestrel	4	2	Black-capped Chickadee	s	
American Coot	5	1	House Wren	s	1
Sandhill Crane *	3	1	American Robin	m	
Spotted Sandpiper	s		Gray Catbird	s	
Eurasian-collared Dove	s		European Starling	m	m
Mourning Dove	s		Yellow Warbler	s	1
Vaux's Swift *	s		Common Yellowthroat	s	s
Red-naped Sapsucker *	2	1	Song Sparrow	s	
Downy Woodpecker	2		Red-winged Blackbird	m	m
Hairy Woodpecker	1		Yellow-headed Blackbird	m	m
Northern Flicker	s	s	Bullock's Oriole	s	
Pileated Woodpecker *	5	2	American Goldfinch	s	
Willow Flycatcher **	1	1	House Sparrow	s	

Notes:
1. Number: s = 10 or fewer, m = more than 10. Breeding pairs were estimated based on number of singing males, nests located, feeding behavior, territorial behavior and fledgling groups.
2. * denotes Clark Fork River--Grass Valley IBA species of conservation concern,
** denotes species of conservation concern on the National Audubon Society Watchlist.
3. Habitat consisted cottonwood, ponderosa pine and various species of shrubs, grasses and forbs in the Clark Fork River riparian zone; cattail sloughs bordered by sedge marsh and patches of aspen and shrubs; and hay fields.
4. Bald eagles were observed nesting earlier this year (Gyla Steiner); a pair of Sandhill Cranes raised one young (Conrad Hackman, neighbor).
5. The Black-crowned Night Heron, an unusual sighting in the Missoula Valley area, was a 1-2 year old bird, not in full adult plumage.