Key to checklist

Species listed in black have been confirmed at WLWCA.

Species in gray could be expected based on "Birds of Louisiana's Rice-Growing Region" list. Please contact LDWF if any species listed in gray are observed.

* = species on Review List of the Louisiana Bird Records Committee

(E) = extinct; (e) = formerly present but now extirpated in Louisiana; (Q) = status in question

(I) = established introduced population, or records originate from established introduced population

H = Hypothetical (none currently so designated: LBRC requires specimen/photo for acceptance of First State Record)" - Dittmann, LBRC 2011

This list includes bird species documented to occur at White Lake Conservation Area or species anticipated to occur there (compiled through 15 September 2011). Species list is adopted from official Louisiana State List (Donna L. Dittmann, April 2011,

http://losbird.org/la_checklist_1104.pdf), using taxonomic sequence of AOU's Check-list of North American Birds 7th edition [AOU 1998, updated through 52nd Supplement (AOU 2011]. See also Vermilion Parish list compiled by Rosemary Seidler, Louisiana Parish Checklist Project:

http://birdstudygroup.org/chklst_project.html.



American Redstart

Cerulean Warbler Northern Parula

Magnolia Warbler

Bay-breasted Warbler

Blackburnian Warbler

Yellow Warbler

Chestnut-sided Warbler

Blackpoll Warbler

Palm Warbler

Pine Warbler

Yellow-rumped "Myrtle" Warbler

Yellow-throated Warbler

Prairie Warbler

Black-throated Green Warbler

Canada Warbler

Wilson's Warbler

Yellow-breasted Chat

Eastern Towhee

Chipping Sparrow

Clay-colored Sparrow

Field Sparrow

Vesper Sparrow

Lark Sparrow

Savannah Sparrow

Grasshopper Sparrow

Henslow's Sparrow





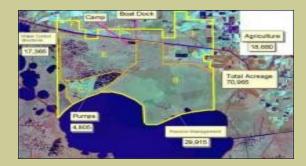
Le Conte's Sparrow





Additional Species or Notes:

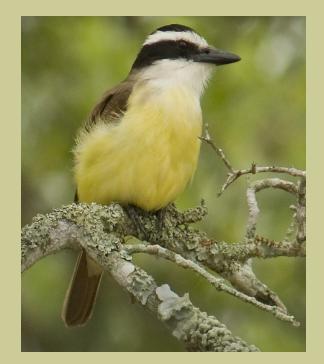
Information About White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area (WLWCA)



The conservation area is 70,965 acres, located along the western boundary of Vermilion parish; it is bounded on the south by White Lake the northern boundary is 7.4 miles south of Gueydan at the south end of Hwy. 91. Lafayette is 32 air miles northeast and Lake Charles is 40 air miles northwest. The southern boundary of White Lake is 17.5 miles north of the Gulf of Mexico. The property averages 12 miles from east to west and 9 miles from north to south.

British Petroleum (BP) owned and managed what was then called BP America Production White Lake until July 8, 2002, when the company donated the property to the state of Louisiana. On Dec. 17, 2004, the state, BP, and White Lake Preservation Inc. (a 501(c)3 corporation), signed a Transition Agreement for the management of the property by White Lake Preservation Inc.

For more information on White Lake or additional birding opportunities available at this and other LDWF properties, please visit: www.wlf.la.gov Birds of White Lake Wetlands Conservation Area Nature Trail and Surrounding Areas





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White Lake Birding and Nature Trail Observation Tower located at the end of the trail. Photo Courtesy of LDWF



Red-headed Woodpecker

Red-bellied Woodpecker

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

Downy Woodpecker

Hairy Woodpecker

Northern "Yellow-shafted" Flicker



Vermilion Flycatcher Ash-throated Flycatcher **Great Crested Flycatcher** Great Kiskadee Couch's/Tropical Kingbird Western Kingbird Eastern Kingbird Scissor-tailed Flycatcher Loggerhead Shrike White-eyed Vireo Yellow-throated Vireo **Blue-headed Vireo** Warbling Vireo Philadelphia Vireo Philadelphia Vireo **Red-eyed Vireo** Blue Jay **American Crow Fish Crow**

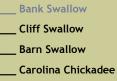
Horned Lark

Purple Martin

Tree Swallow

Northern Rough-winged Swallow





Tufted Titmouse

Brown Creeper

Carolina Wren

Bewick's Wren

House Wren

Winter Wren

Sedge Wren

Marsh Wren

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Ruby-crowned Kinglet

Gray-cheeked Thrush

Swainson's Thrush

Hermit Thrush

Wood Thrush

Gray Catbird

American Pipit

Sprague's Pipit

Cedar Waxwing

Ovenbird

Lapland Longspur

American Robin

Brown Thrasher

Northern Mockingbird

European Starling (I)

Worm-eating Warbler

Louisiana Waterthrush

Northern Waterthrush

Golden-winged Warbler

Blue-winged Warbler

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Golden-crowned Kinglet

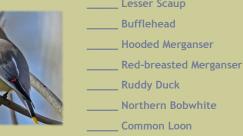
Red-breasted Nuthatch



Black-bellied Whistling-Duck Fulvous Whistling-Duck Greater White-fronted Goose Snow Goose Ross's Goose **Cackling Goose** Wood Duck Gadwall **American Wigeon** Mallard **Mottled Duck Blue-winged Teal** Cinnamon Teal * Northern Shoveler **Northern Pintail** Green-winged Teal Canvasback Redhead **Ring-necked Duck** Lesser Scaup **Bufflehead**







- **Pied-billed Grebe**
- **Horned Grebe**
- **Eared Grebe**
- Wood Stork
- **Neotropic Cormorant**
- **Double-crested Cormorant**
- Anhinga
- American White Pelican
- **Brown Pelican**
- **American Bittern**
- Least Bittern



Great Blue Heron

- Great Egret
- **Snowy Egret**
- Little Blue Heron
- Tricolored Heron
- **Reddish Egret**
- Cattle Egret
- **Green Heron**
- **Black-crowned Night-Heron**
- Yellow-crowned Night-Heron
- White Ibis
- **Glossy Ibis**
- White-faced Ibis
- **Roseate Spoonbill**
- **Black Vulture**
- **Turkey Vulture**
- Osprey
- Swallow-tailed Kite
- Mississippi Kite
- **Bald Eagle**
- Northern Harrier
- Sharp-shinned Hawk
- Cooper's Hawk
- **Red-shouldered Hawk**
- **Broad-winged Hawk**
- **Red-tailed Hawk**
- **Crested Caracara**
- **American Kestrel**
- Merlin
- **Peregrine Falcon**
- Yellow Rail **Clapper Rail**
- **King Rail**
- Virginia Rail
- Sora
 - **Purple Gallinule**
 - **Common Gallinule**



American Coot

Sandhill Crane

Whooping Crane (e) * **Black-bellied Plover** American Golden-Plover

- **Snowy Plover**
- Wilson's Plover

Semipalmated Plover

Piping Plover

Killdeer Black-necked Stilt

American Avocet

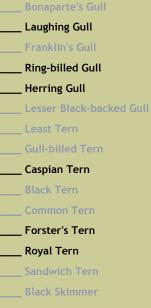
Spotted Sandpiper

Solitary Sandpiper

Greater Yellowlegs

- Willet
- **Lesser Yellowlegs**
- **Upland Sandpiper**
- Whimbrel
- **Long-billed Curlew**
- Hudsonian Godwit
- Marbled Godwit
- Sanderling
- Semipalmated Sandpiper
- Western Sandpiper
- Least Sandpiper
- White-rumped Sandpiper
- **Baird's Sandpiper**
- **Pectoral Sandpiper**
- Dunlin
- Stilt Sandpiper
- **Buff-breasted Sandpiper**
- **Short-billed Dowitcher**
- **Long-billed Dowitcher**
- Wilson's Snipe
- American Woodcock
 - Wilson's Phalarope





- Eurasian Collared-Dove (I) White-winged Dove **Mourning Dove** Inca Dove **Common Ground Dove** Yellow-billed Cuckoo **Black-billed Cuckoo** Barn Owl Great Horned Owl **Barred Owl Common Nighthawk**
- **Ruby-throated Hummingbird**
 - - **Rufous Hummingbird**



- Eastern Whip-poor-will
- **Chimney Swift**
- **Buff-bellied Hummingbird**
- - **Black-chinned Hummingbird**
 - - **Belted Kingfisher**