

Univ. Kansas, Potters Lake, Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

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Potters Lake now with 30' of open water bordering dam at 8:00 A.M. also 10' at point where water drainage enters lake.

Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

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Made survey of Slough Creek Area. Left Lawrence at ~~8:00~~ ^{8:10} A.M., mileage 26.5, sky completely overcast, temp 28°F, ^{high} wind from NW. Kaw River free of ice. mileage 30.3. at junction 24-59 (8:15) at beginning of census. Will keep record of all birds to Perry Reservoir. via highway 24. mileage 30.4 2 starling. 31.1 5 starling. 31.8 water at side of road now in ice. yesterday 50% of ~~ice~~ surface ^{of ice} covered with standing water. 33.0 Perry turnoff. Except for the 7 starling did not see other birds between Lawrence & Perry. 35.0 meadowlark. 35.1 2 cardinals. 35.4 8 tree sparrows. 35.6 18 starling in flock. 35.9 SE entrance to Park. will go directly to Slough Creek bridge. 37.1 road to left to S.C. bridge. 38.3 Slough Creek bridge. open water from E side of bridge out 150-200 ft to NE. and a lead along shore on E side of bay. will leave car here and survey lake - land contact from bridge to Gap Point, keeping complete census of birds and mammals. (see map). Left bridge at 9:44 A.M. High wind from NW. Temp. 30°F. Sky cloudy. 8 junco (slate-crowned) left edge of road. 9:46 12 junco and 30 tree sparrows and 3 song sparrows. At this point is a pond ^(and 20' from lake) on N of trail, which is covered with a film of new ice. water clear and 80% green moss. These birds were associated with pond. 8:51 E point of first bay, upper end of bay with logs in ice. 8:54 N end of bay at dam. The original pond, ^{partially} drained and now in good growth of weeds and grass. There are many microtus ochrogaster trails in grasses on east side of this bay and pond (1 per 8 feet or less). The water in pond is free of ice but the bay of lake is solid ice. The cattails at head of pond have fewer trails than grasses bordering. 13 bobwhite left cattails (they left as a closely formed group). 9:05 W side of dam. Numerous microtine runways on W side of bay. 9:06 2 black-capped chickadees. 9:07 W point of bay. 9:08 beginning of open field. 9:12 convergence of EW and N road at bay. Some open water at mouth of drainage and 450' W along shoreline. Ice in channel to N. 8 junco and 12 tree sparrows. Lake level water up channel to first abrupt "S" bend.