

Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Oct 17, 1979

no wind

Check birds at reservoir. Left 9:20 AM, sky cloudy, temperature 60°F
 mileage 100240.6. Will keep complete census to Perry Reservoir
 and beyond. 50 grackles feeding on lawn at home. (402 Yorkshire
 Dr., Lawrence, robin. 41.0 2 grackles, 8 starling (usually only
 record unusual occurrences of starling, 41.5 meadowlark.
 85% of native deciduous forests have changed and are now in
 equal percentage of colors, even dark reds & maroons. This
 year of plentiful rains early in year and lack of rain in September
 and early October has produced a reversal of color change in
 that oaks started first instead of being last to change.
 most leaves, though in color are still on trees. 42.6 mourning
 dove. 43.0 now n on Lake View Rd. 44.0 bridge on causeway at
 Lake View. no waterfowl or any kind of bird life on lake.
 surface like a mirror. no grackles in fields which is
 surprising in that thousands left the city this AM and flew
 n to river valley direction. 44.8 2 robins. 45.6 48 redwings
 46.2 150 starling in one compact group. Riparian forest (mainly
 cottonwoods) green with occasional yellow leafed cottonwood, some
 show slight indication of yellowish-green. 47.0 2 mourning
 doves, 2 crows, redtail. 47.6 beginning sidehill road ^{at fudge} just beyond
 railroad crossover. Fox squirrel. 47.9 2 cardinals, gray squirrel,
 blue jay. 48.1 fox squirrel. Kaw River low and sandbars 80%
 or more in river valley. 48.7 150 grackles, 40 in trees along
 road, crow. 49.4 3 bluebirds. 49.7 150 grackles in flight.
 50.3 blue jay. 51.3 E end 52.5 cottontail road kill.
 54.3 Delaware River at Perry on old highway 24, low. 55.6
 mourning dove. 56.3 highway 24. 57.6 7 crow. 57.7 Thomson-
 ville. 58.1 sparrow hawk. 58.2 3 sparrow hawks, telephone
 pole distance separating them. 58.4 2 blue jays. 58.5 now
 n upgrade. 59.3 Overlook at SW corner reservoir: B=adult
 blue, b=imm blue, S adult snow, s imm snow); B B B b b
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