

an informant gave me a list of birds observed here today.

- great blue heron
- double-crested cormorant
- american widgeon
- american crow
- rufous-sided towhee
- dark-eyed junco (Oregon)
- red-throated loon
- hooded merganser
- western grebe
- horned grebe
- white-winged scoter
- surf scoter
- bufflehead
- goldeneye, common
- belted kingfisher
- black oystercatcher
- black turnstone
- European widgeon
- marbled murrelet.

La Conner Preserve, Skagit Co., Washington
Dec. 18, 1985

Daybreak with cloudy skies approx. 7:30 A.M. Temp. 39°F.
Checked birds at camp. (site 164). Gulls called earliest of birds:

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| <p>(numbers are average for any moment, but can vary from 0 to 3 of the number. nos 1-2 are entire number observed for period of entire observation)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 great blue heron 12 Common goldeneye 8 american widgeon 1 marbled murrelet 2 pigeon guillemot 1 western grebe 1 red-throated loon 2 american crow 2 northwestern crow 2 double-crested cormorant 4 horned grebe 3 herring gull 18 surf scoter 1 winter wren 1 rufous-sided towhee 5 red-breasted merganser 1 belted kingfisher | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 common loon 3 chestnut-backed chickadee 2 hooded merganser 2 bufflehead 1 ruddy duck. 1 Bonaparte gull <p>Ended observation 10:00 A.M.</p> <p>Thayer gull displaced ^{common} goldeneye
Goldeneye + red-breasted merganser
hunted water in unison.</p> <p>Tide going up all morning to at least 10:00 A.M.</p> <p>Am. widgeon feed near shore.
Thayer gull carried fish from near Hape Island to water 2 feet from shore at camp. + all time to W.
High tide approx 11:00 AM. Covered beach</p> |
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