

OCTOBER 01, 2022 - CUYAHOGA VALLEY MONTHLY TOWPATH TRAIL CENSUS.

ROUTE: Red Lock Trailhead south to Merriman Valley with a stop at Trail Mix in Peninsula. Szalay's Farm Market was too busy.

TIME: 7:25am - 5:15pm TEMP.: 50F ~ 63F ~ 61F COND.: Cloudy all day, turning breezy after 10:10am from wrap-around

remnants of Hurricane Ian. TRAIL COND.: Great. RIVER COND.: Normal and clear.

FT. MI.: 13.85 OBS.: John Henry and Douglas W. Vogus.

I. MAMMALS: 6 SPECIES.

1. Eastern Chipmunk - 55
2. Eastern Gray Squirrel - 1 (black morph)
3. Eastern Fox Squirrel - 4
4. Red Squirrel - 21
5. Mink - 1 (Second October Record on Census)
6. White-tailed Deer - 2 (8-pt. buck, 1 unknown)

II. BIRDS: 59 SPECIES, 912 TOTAL BIRDS.

(NOTE: m = male; f = female; ? = bird was seen but not sexed; * = bird was heard calling but not sexed)

1. Canada Goose - 68
2. Wood Duck - 9 (3m, 6f)
3. Mallard - 7 (3m, 3f, 1*)
4. Rock Pigeon - 2
5. Mourning Dove - 7
6. Chimney Swift - 32
7. Killdeer - 1
8. Double-crested Cormorant - 1 (Fifth October Record on Census)
9. Great Blue Heron - 7
10. Green Heron - 1 (immature) (Second October Record on Census)
11. Turkey Vulture - 5
12. Cooper's Hawk - 1 (m) (Fifth October Record on Census)
13. Bald Eagle - 3 (2 adult, 1 immature)
14. Red-tailed Hawk - 6 (1 immature)
15. Eastern Screech-Owl - 1 (gray morph)
16. Red-bellied Woodpecker - 14 (3m, 3f, 2?, 6*)
17. Downy Woodpecker - 16 (7m, 8f, 1*)
18. Hairy Woodpecker - 6 (1m, 1f, 2?, 2*)
19. Northern Flicker - 5 (*)
20. Pileated Woodpecker - 3 (1f, 2*)
21. Merlin - 1 (m) (on willow snag at East Stanford Swamp - Tied Census High from 14 other occasions)
22. Peregrine Falcon - 1 (m)
23. Eastern Phoebe - 6
24. Red-eyed Vireo - 1
25. Blue Jay - 44
26. American Crow - 62

27. Black-capped Chickadee - 18
28. Tufted Titmouse - 13
29. Ruby-crowned Kinglet - 1 (f)
30. Golden-crowned Kinglet - 2 (1m,1f)
31. Cedar Waxwing - 160
32. White-breasted Nuthatch - 13 (2m,1f,10*)
33. Brown Creeper - 1 (Fourth October Record on Census)
34. Carolina Wren - 10
35. Gray Catbird - 4
36. European Starling - 15
37. Eastern Bluebird - 5 (2m,1f,2?)
38. American Robin - 33
39. House Sparrow - 48
40. House Finch - 1 (*)
41. American Goldfinch - 111 (New Census High - previous was 67 on 01/2021)
42. White-throated Sparrow - 1
43. Song Sparrow - 10
44. Swamp Sparrow - 11
45. Red-winged Blackbird - 35 (31m,3f,1?)
46. Brown-headed Cowbird - 6 (?)
47. Rusty Blackbird - 1 (f)
48. Common Grackle - 12
49. Tennessee Warbler - 3
50. Orange-crowned Warbler - 2 (Tied Census High from 10/2011 & 10/2014)
51. Nashville Warbler - 2 (m)
52. Common Yellowthroat - 3 (m)
53. Hooded Warbler - 5 (1m,1?,3*)
54. Blackpoll Warbler - 1
55. Palm Warbler - 2
56. Yellow-rumped Warbler - 27
57. Black-throated Green Warbler - 2 (1m,1f)
58. Scarlet Tanager - 1 (m) (Fourth October Record on Census)
59. Northern Cardinal - 31 (1m,5f,20*,5 immature*)

Unidentified Warbler Species - 4 (fly-overs, fleeting glimpses, too much foliage - the usual aggravations)

Unidentified Passerines - 8

III. REPTILES: 4 SPECIES.

1. Common Snapping Turtle - 1
2. Red-eared Turtle - 2
3. Midland Painted Turtle - 30
4. Northern Water Snake - 1 (First October Record on Census)

IV. AMPHIBIANS: 4 SPECIES.

1. American Toad - 1 (First October Record on Census)

2. Northern Spring Peeper - 12 (heard only)
3. Bullfrog - 5
4. Green Frog - 10

V. FISHES: 5 SPECIES.

1. Central Mudminnow - 23 (Fourth October Record on Census)
2. Creek Chub - 3
3. Bluntnose Minnow - 52
4. Largemouth Bass - 1
5. Bluegill - 2

VI. BUTTERFLIES: 1 SPECIES.

1. Cabbage Butterfly - 1

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