

## Riverside Nature Center Weekly Fauna Census 1/21/2011

I'm not sure if this was a first, but Cynthia and I started out the census at 31 deg and finished up at 31 deg – we had an interesting challenge down by the creek when a small wren began calling and gave us a short view that did not include binoculars. It was either a Winter or Marsh Wren. With the limited view, we were able to see what looked like a small dark short tailed bird working along the creek edge. It flew to the opposite side of the creek and never appeared again. The alarm call it was giving was not a familiar call and based on an educated guess, it was a Winter Wren. I do not know the call notes of a Winter Wren, but based on Sibley's description, it met that criterion. However, for new species, especially those hard to ID, we will not accept without some good observation or photos.

On a separate note, I participated in a Webinar (Web Seminar) on Using Google Earth to do Land Management. I have been a long time user of GE and picked up a few new tools that I tried on RNC. I created a GE Folder on RNC then flagged the HQS, outlined the boundary (not official) and drew our weekly Fauna Census Route. It turns out the route is about 0.68 miles long and GE allowed me to do a profile of the route as well. See below.

We will continue 10am Census until future notice.

Cynthia Johnson  
Tom Collins

### \* = New Species

FOS – First Of Season

Location: Kerrville- Riverside Nature Ctr. (HOTW 073)

Observation date: 1/21/11

Notes: TEMP 31 s&w - 0

Number of species: 15

White-winged Dove 7  
Mourning Dove 3  
Eastern Phoebe 2  
Blue Jay 2  
Carolina Chickadee 3  
Black-crested Titmouse 1  
Carolina Wren 6  
American Robin 4  
Yellow-rumped Warbler 3  
Lincoln's Sparrow 1  
Northern Cardinal 4  
House Finch 3  
Lesser Goldfinch 5  
American Goldfinch 2  
House Sparrow 15

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### Kingdom - Phylum – Class – Order – Family – Genus - Species

**Kingdom:** Metazoa (Animals)

**Phylum:** Arthropoda (Exoskeleton – 9 Classes)

**Class:** Insecta (Insects)

**Order:** Lepidoptera (Butterfly, Moth) None

**Order: Odonata** (Dragonfly, Damselfly)None

**Order: Coleoptera** (Beetles) None

**Order: Hemiptera** (True Bugs) None

**Order: Hymenoptera** (Ant, Wasp, Bee)

**Family** Formicidae (Ant)

*Pogonomyrmex barbatus* Red Harvester Ant Mound is active

**Family** Apidae (Cuckoo, Carpenter, Digger, Bumble, and Honey Bees)

**Order: Diptera** (Flies) None

**Class Arachnida** (Spiders, Ticks, Scorpions, Mites, Harvestmen)None

**Phylum: Chordata** (Vertebrata – 14 Classes)

**Class: Osteichthyes** (Bony fish) None

**Herps:**

**Class: Reptilia** (Snake, Lizard, Turtle, Alligator)

Texas River Cooter – 4

Red-eared Slider - 1

**Class: Amphibia** (Frog, Toad, Salamander)None

**Class: Aves** (Bird - See above eBird report)

**Class: Mammalia**

EP Fox Squirrel - 2

White-tailed Deer – 7

Cottontail, Sp.

**Phylum: Mollusca** (10 classes – Gastropod, Bivalve, etc) None

**Kingdom: Myceteae** (Fungi) None



Imagery Date: Apr 1, 2008 30°03'01.10"N 99°08'56.56"W elev. 1621 ft Eye alt 2723 ft

Graph: Min, Avg, Max Elevation: 1600, 1613, 1627 ft  
Range Totals: Distance: 0.68 mi Elev Gain/Loss: 59.7 ft, -59.7 ft Max Slope: 17.9%, -19.8% Avg Slope: 3.0%, -3.2%

