FIELD DATA:

Date: _____

Time: _____

Total Species Observed: _____

Observer(s): _____

_____

Weather: _____

SIGHTING FREQUENCY and SEASONALITY:

C = Common (You can expect to find this species during this season.)
U = Uncommon (You can occasionally find this species this season.)
R = Rare (You will only rarely find this species this season.)
— = Highly Unlikely (This species is not expected to be at Five Rivers this time of year.)
(x) = # of years reported at 5R since 1974

Please report any unusual sightings.

NESTING:

* = Confirmed nesting
** = Possible/probable nesting

SEASONS:

Sp = Spring (March - May)
Su = Summer (June - August)
Fa = Fall (September - November)
Wi = Winter (December - February)

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NEW YORK STATE BIRDING TRAIL

Species	Sp	Su	Fa	Wi
GEESE, SWANS, and DUCKS				
Snow Goose (23)	R	—	R	**R**
Brant (9)	—	—	—	—
Canada Goose (47) *	C	C	C	U
Wood Duck (45) *	C	C	U	—
Blue-winged Teal (24)	U	R	U	—
Northern Shoveler (5)	—	—	—	—
American Wigeon (7)	—	—	—	—
Mallard (45) *	C	C	C	R
American Black Duck (30)	U	U	U	R
Northern Pintail (8)	—	—	—	—
Green-winged Teal (32)	U	R	U	—
Ring-necked Duck (10)	—	—	—	—
Bufflehead (7)	—	—	—	—
Hooded Merganser (34)	U	—	R	—
Common Merganser (24)	R	—	R	—
GROUSE, TURKEYS,and Allies				
Northern Bobwhite (6)	—	—	—	—
Wild Turkey (41) *	U	U	U	U
Ruffed Grouse (32) *	R	R	R	R
Ring- necked Pheasant (21) *	R	R	R	R
GREBES				
Pied-billed Grebe (15)	U	—	—	—
PIGEONS and DOVES				
Rock Pigeon (43) **	R	R	R	R
Mourning Dove (46) *	C	C	C	C
CUCKOOS				
Yellow-billed Cuckoo (23) **	R	R	R	—
Black-billed Cuckoo (38) **	U	R	R	—
NIGHTJARS				
Common Nighthawk (33)	R	R	R	—
SWIFTS				
Chimney Swift (45) **	C	C	R	—
HUMMINGBIRDS				
Ruby-throated Hummingbird (44) *	C	C	R	—
RAILS, GALLINULES, and COOTS				
Virginia Rail (10) *	R	R	—	—
Sora (3)	—	—	—	—
SHOREBIRDS				
Killdeer (48) *	C	C	U	—
Least Sandpiper (8)	—	—	—	—
American Woodcock (45) *	C	U	U	—
Wilson's Snipe (31) **	U	—	R	—
Solitary Sandpiper (46)	U	U	U	—
Spotted Sandpiper (48) **	C	C	U	—
Lesser Yellowlegs (8)	—	—	—	—
Greater Yellowlegs (19)	R	R	R	—

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GULLS and TERNS				
Ring-billed Gull (32)	R	R	R	R
American Herring Gull (26)	R	R	R	R
Great Black-backed Gull (8)	—	—	—	—
LOONS				
Common Loon (22)	R	—	—	R
CORMORANTS				
Double-crested Cormorant (18)	R	—	—	—
BITTERNS, HERONS, and Allies				
American Bittern (25)	U	—	R	—
Great Blue Heron (48)	U	C	U	R
Great Egret (18)	—	R	R	—
Green Heron (47)*	C	C	C	—
Black-crowned Night-Heron (9)	—	—	—	—
NEW WORLD VULTURES				
Black Vulture (15)	U	U	U	U
Turkey Vulture (46)	U	U	U	—
HAWKS and Allies				
Osprey (48)	U	—	U	—
Northern Harrier (45)	U	—	U	U
Sharp-shinned Hawk (43)	U	R	U	U
Cooper's Hawk (43)	U	U	U	C
American Goshawk (13)	R	R	R	R
Bald Eagle (26)	R	—	R	—
Red-shouldered Hawk (21)	R	—	R	—
Broad-winged Hawk (32)	R	R	R	—
Red-tailed Hawk (47) *	C	C	C	C
Rough-legged Hawk (23)	—	—	—	R
TRUE OWLS				
Eastern Screech-Owl (42) *	U	U	U	U
Great Horned Owl (44) *	U	U	U	U
Barred Owl (16)	—	—	—	R
Long-eared Owl (5)	—	—	—	—
Short-eared Owl (7)	—	—	—	—
KINGFISHERS				
Belted Kingfisher (47) *	C	C	U	R
WOODPECKERS				
Red-bellied Woodpecker (33)**	C	C	C	C
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (38)	U	R	U	—
Downy Woodpecker (46) *	C	C	C	C
Hairy Woodpecker (46) *	U	U	U	U
Northern Flicker (48) *	C	U	U	U
Pileated Woodpecker (48) *	U	U	U	U

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FALCONS				
American Kestrel (46) *	U	U	U	U
Merlin (19)	R	—	R	—
Peregrine Falcon (9)	—	—	—	—
TYRANT FLYCATCHERS				
Great Crested Flycatcher (47) *	C	C	C	—
Eastern Kingbird (48) *	U	U	U	—
Olive-sided Flycatcher (11)	—	—	—	—
Eastern Wood-Pewee (47) *	C	C	C	—
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher (6)	—	—	—	—
Alder Flycatcher (34) **	U	—	—	—
Willow Flycatcher (43) *	C	C	C	—
Least Flycatcher (45) *	C	C	U	—
Eastern Phoebe (48) *	C	C	C	—
VIREOS				
Yellow-throated Vireo (34) *	U	U	U	—
Blue-headed Vireo (45)	U	U	R	—
Philadelphia Vireo (18)	R	—	R	—
Warbling Vireo (43) *	C	C	U	—
Red-eyed Vireo (44) *	C	C	C	—
SHRIKES				
Northern Shrike (22)	—	—	—	R
JAYS, CROWS, and TITS				
Blue Jay (46) *	C	C	C	C
American Crow (46) *	C	C	C	C
Fish Crow (15)	R	—	—	—
Common Raven (19)	U	U	U	U
Black-capped Chickadee (48) *	C	C	C	C
Tufted Titmouse (48) *	C	C	C	C
LARKS				
Horned Lark (5)	—	—	—	—
MARTINS and SWALLOWS				
Bank Swallow (16)	R	R	—	—
Tree Swallow (48) *	C	C	U	—
N. Rough-winged Swallow (48)*	C	C	—	—
Barn Swallow (45) *	U	U	—	—
Cliff Swallow (8)	—	—	—	—
KINGLETS				
Ruby-crowned Kinglet (46)	C	—	U	—
Golden-crowned Kinglet (46)	C	—	C	U
WAXWINGS				
Cedar Waxwing (47) **	U	U	C	U
NUTHATCHES and CREEPERS				
Red-breasted Nuthatch (45) *	C	C	C	C
White-breasted Nuthatch (45) *	C	C	C	C
Brown Creeper (48) *	U	U	U	U

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GNATCATCHERS					
	Blue-gray Gnatcatcher (47) *	U	U	U	—
WRENS					
	Northern House Wren (49) *	C	C	C	—
	Winter Wren (37)	U	—	U	R
	Marsh Wren (7)	—	—	—	—
	Carolina Wren (36) *	U	U	U	U
MOCKINGBIRDS and THRASHERS					
	Gray Catbird (49) *	C	C	C	—
	Brown Thrasher (46) *	U	U	U	—
	Northern Mockingbird (47) *	U	U	U	U
STARLINGS					
	European Starling (47) *	C	C	C	C
THRUSHES					
	Eastern Bluebird (48) *	C	C	C	U
	Veery (39)	U	—	U	—
	Swainson's Thrush (33)	R	—	R	—
	Hermit Thrush (37)	U	—	U	—
	Wood Thrush (49) *	C	C	C	—
	American Robin (49) *	C	C	C	U
OLD WORLD SPARROWS					
	House Sparrow (45) *	C	C	C	C
PIPITS					
	American Pipit (11)	—	—	—	—
FINCHES and CROSSBILLS					
	Evening Grosbeak (27)	—	—	—	R
	Pine Grosbeak (8)	—	—	—	R
	House Finch (46) *	C	C	C	C
	Purple Finch (48) **	U	U	U	U
	Common Redpoll (21)	—	—	—	R
	Red Crossbill (10)	—	—	—	—
	White-winged Crossbill (6)	—	—	—	—
	Pine Siskin (34)	—	—	—	U
	American Goldfinch (48)*	C	C	C	C
SNOW BUNTINGS					
	Snow Bunting (12)	—	—	—	R
NEW WORLD SPARROWS, and Allies					
	Eastern Towhee (46) *	C	C	U	—
	Grasshopper Sparrow (3)	—	—	—	—
	Chipping Sparrow (47) *	C	C	U	—
	Field Sparrow (44) *	C	C	U	U
	Fox Sparrow (40)	U	—	U	R
	American Tree Sparrow (46)	C	—	C	C

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SPARROWS continued					
	Dark-eyed Junco (46)	C	—	C	C
	White-crowned Sparrow (47)	C	—	U	—
	White-throated Sparrow (47)	C	—	C	C
	Vesper Sparrow (15)	R	R	R	—
	Henslow's Sparrow (8)	—	—	—	—
	Savannah Sparrow (38) *	U	U	U	—
	Song Sparrow (48) *	C	C	C	U
	Lincoln's Sparrow (16)	—	—	—	—
	Swamp Sparrow (40) **	U	U	U	R
BLACKBIRDS, MEADOWLARKS, and ORIOLES					
	Bobolink (45) *	C	C	—	—
	Eastern Meadowlark (42) *	U	U	R	—
	Orchard Oriole (21) *	U	U	—	—
	Baltimore Oriole (45) *	C	C	U	—
	Red-winged Blackbird (45) *	C	C	C	R
	Brown-headed Cowbird (44) *	C	C	C	U
	Rusty Blackbird (29)	U	—	U	—
	Common Grackle (45)*	C	C	C	—
WOOD-WARBLERS					
	Ovenbird (45) *	C	C	U	—
	Louisiana Waterthrush (49) *	C	C	U	—
	Northern Waterthrush (35)	U	U	U	—
	Golden-winged Warbler (13)	R	—	R	—
	Blue-winged Warbler (46) *	C	C	U	—
	Black-and-white Warbler (46)	C	U	U	—
	Tennessee Warbler (29)	U	U	U	—
	Nashville Warbler (37)	U	U	U	—
	Mourning Warbler (5)	—	—	—	—
	Common Yellowthroat (48) *	C	C	C	—
	American Redstart (47) *	C	C	U	—
	Cape May Warbler (38)	U	U	R	—
	Northern Parula (29)	U	R	R	—
	Magnolia Warbler (41)	U	U	U	—
	Bay-breasted Warbler (22)	U	U	U	—
	Blackburnian Warbler (38)	U	U	R	—
	Yellow Warbler (48) *	C	C	U	—
	Chestnut-sided Warbler (48) **	U	U	U	—
	Blackpoll Warbler (30)	U	U	U	—

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WARBLERS continued					
	Black-throated Blue Warbler (39)	U	U	R	—
	Palm Warbler (41)	U	U	U	—
	Pine Warbler (37)	U	U	U	—
	Yellow-rumped Warbler (47) *	C	C	C	—
	Prairie Warbler (41) **	C	U	U	—
	Black-throated Green Warbler (45)	C	R	R	—
	Canada Warbler (27)	U	U	U	—
	Wilson's Warbler (34)	U	U	U	—
TANAGERS, CARDINALS, and ALLIES					
	Scarlet Tanager (48) *	U	U	—	—
	Northern Cardinal (46) *	C	C	C	C
	Rose-breasted Grosbeak (47)*	C	U	—	—
	Indigo Bunting (28) **	U	R	—	—

The following species have been observed at Five Rivers EEC fewer than 5 times since 1974:

Tundra Swan (3)
Mute Swan (1)
Gadwall (4)
Canvasback (2)
Lesser Scaup (4)
White-winged Scoter (1)
Common Goldeneye (4)
Red-breasted Merganser(1)
Ruddy Duck (1)
Horned Grebe (1)
Eastern Whip-poor-will (1)
Common Gallinule (1)
American Coot (4)
Sandhill Crane (2)
Semipalmated Plover (2)
Pectoral Sandpiper (2)
Short-billed Dowitcher (2)
Iceland Gull (1)
Black Tern (1)
Snowy Egret (1)
Little Blue Heron (2)
Cattle Egret (2)
Least Bittern (2)
Swallow-tailed Kite (1)
Golden Eagle (3)
Snowy Owl (1)
Northern Saw-whet Owl (2)
Red-headed Woodpecker(4)
Say's Phoebe (1)
Western Flycatcher (1)
White-eyed Vireo (1)
Loggerhead Shrike (1)
Sedge Wren (1)
Gray-cheeked Thrush (1)
Bicknell's Thrush (1)
Grasshopper Sparrow (3)
Clay-colored Sparrow (2)
Yellow-breasted Chat (3)
Worm-eating Warbler (1)
Connecticut Warbler (3)
Kentucky Warbler (1)
Hooded Warbler (1)
Orange-crowned Warbler (1)
Cerulean Warbler (2)
Dickcissel (2)

Five Rivers Environmental Education Center

2026 BIRD CHECKLIST



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Biodiversity: Since 1974, 234 bird species have been seen at or from Five Rivers.

Recent Reports Posted: A Bird Watchers' Board in the visitor center lists this year's sightings. Five Rivers EEC is also an eBird hotspot for lists of the most recently observed birds.

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