

the measurements taken when the bird was banded clearly rule out Couch's Kingbird based on the relatively short wing chord, long culman length, and wing formula (see Pyle 1997 for details of identification).

Fork-tailed Flycatcher

(*Tyrannus savana*) One adult male at Gateway Park, East Moline, Rock Island Co. on 20-25 Nov (2009.057; M&KW:p, MR:p). This is the third record for Illinois and the first in the fall or away from the Chicago area.

Bewick's Wren (*Thryomanes bewickii*) One was photographed in Champaign, Champaign Co. on 14-15 Mar (2009.080; MML; GSL:p). One seen along the LaMoine River, McDonough Co. on 3 Sep (2009.039; MJB). One photographed at Siloam Springs SP, Brown Co. on 31 May (2010.009; DMK:p). Siloam Springs is, and has been for at least a decade, the only known breeding site for Bewick's Wren in Illinois. Records from other sites have been few in recent years, and like the two 2009 records here involve birds seen during migration.

Sage Thrasher (*Oreoscoptes montanus*) One photographed on Northerly Island, Chicago, Cook Co. on 10 Nov (2009.059; KKM; JRRS:p, GN:p, DFS). This is only the fourth record from Illinois and the first record since 1974. All these reports come from the Lake Michigan lakefront (Bohlen 1989).

Sprague's Pipit (*Anthus spragueii*) One seen at Greene Valley FP, DuPage Co. on 27-31 Oct (2009.058; REF, KDF; JAS:p).

Black-throated Gray Warbler (*Dendroica nigrescens*) One female at Elsen's Hill FP, DuPage Co. 18 Sep to 11 Oct (2010.022;



Fork-tailed Flycatcher. East Moline, Rock Island County. 25 November 2009. Photo by Kevin Wassell.



Bewick's Wren. Champaign swine ponds, Champaign County. 15 March 2009. Photo by Greg Lambeth.



Sage Thrasher. Northerly Island, Cook County. 11 November 2009. Photo by Greg Neise.



Adult male Lark Bunting. Montrose Point, Cook County. 10 August 2009. Photo by Kanae Hirabayashi.

PAM; GN:p, AAA:p). This bird was still present as of this writing (13 Oct 2010). This is about the ninth record for the state; not all have been considered by IORC. Most records have been spring birds remaining for only a short period.

Swainson's Warbler

(*Limnethlypis swainsoni*) A pair was present in the Shawnee National Forest of Jackson Co. from at least 20 Jun to 27 Jul (2009.055; RMR; DMK:p, MML:p of possible nest). A completed, but empty nest matching the characteristics of the species was found at this location.

MacGillivray's Warbler

(*Oporornis tolmiei*) A singing male was photographed and sound recordings obtained at Waterfall Glen FP, DuPage Co. on 9-11 Jul (2008.053; MAM:s; WSS:p, DMK:s). This is the third accepted record of this species from Illinois. The other records have been during spring migration in May.

Lark Bunting (*Calamospiza melanocorys*) One adult male photographed at Montrose, Chicago, Cook Co. on 10 Aug (2009.072; RDH; GAW:p, KH:p).

Great-tailed Grackle

(*Quiscalus mexicanus*) One female seen and photographed at Coulterville, Randolph Co. and nearby in Perry Co. on 30 Dec (2009.035; JRRS, GN:p). There was some discussion that 2 birds may have been present, but the original observers concluded that there was only a single bird present in a flock of mixed blackbirds numbering 10,000+. Reports of this species at this site persisted until at least 3 January 2010, but there is no documentation of the species after the initial day of observation.