

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME**

**BIRD SPECIES OF SPECIAL CONCERN LIST**

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HIGHEST PRIORITY<sup>1</sup> (14 species)

Common Loon  
White Pelican  
White-faced Ibis  
Fulvous Whistling-Duck  
Swainson's Hawk  
Harris' Hawk  
Merlin  
Sharp-tailed Grouse  
Yellow Rail  
Laughing Gull  
Gilded Common Flicker  
Willow Flycatcher  
Vermilion Flycatcher  
Arizona Bell's Vireo

SECOND PRIORITY (19 species)

Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel  
Double-crested Cormorant  
Marsh Hawk  
Osprey  
Snowy Plover  
Gull-billed Tern  
Tufted Puffin  
Burrowing Owl  
Spotted Owl  
Long-eared Owl  
Short-eared Owl  
Gila Woodpecker  
Bank Swallow  
Purple Martin  
Black-tailed Gnatcatcher  
Gray Vireo  
Yellow Warbler  
Yellow-breasted Chat  
Summer Tanager

THIRD PRIORITY (28 species)

Black Storm-Petrel  
Ashy Storm-Petrel  
Least Bittern  
Barrow's Goldeneye  
Harlequin Duck  
Goshawk  
Sharp-shinned Hawk  
Cooper's Hawk  
Golden Eagle  
Prairie Falcon  
Ruffed Grouse  
Sage Grouse  
Sandhill Crane  
California Gull  
Elegant Tern  
Black Skimmer  
Marbled Murrelet  
Rhinoceros Auklet  
Black Swift  
Wied's Crested Flycatcher  
Black-capped Chickadee  
Bendire's Thrasher  
Le Conte's Thrasher  
Crissal Thrasher  
Virginia's Warbler  
Hepatic Tanager  
Cardinal  
Gray-headed Junco

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<sup>1</sup> Within each priority category, species are listed in taxonomic order, not in any order of priority