

DIRECTIONS TO SILVER CREEK PRESERVE

To reach Silver Creek Preserve from the west, take Highway 20 east of its intersection with Highway 75 seven miles and turn south at the Silver Creek Preserve highway sign. Follow this road to the Visitor Center. To reach Silver Creek Preserve from the east, take Highway 20 west from Picabo four miles and turn south at the Silver Creek Preserve highway sign

Visitors are required to sign in at the Visitors Center each day they enter the preserve. Please! ... walking or boat access only; no pets, bikes, motorized vehicles, overnight camping, or fires are allowed.

EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

Seasons and Breeding Status:

- S** = Spring: March-May
- S** = Summer: June-August
- F** = Fall: September-November
- W** = Winter: December-February
- B** = Breeding Status:
 - b = confirmed breeder
 - ? = possible breeder

Status:

* = endangered, threatened, candidate, sensitive, or special concern species. For official listings see: *Rare, Threatened, and Endangered Plants and Animals of Idaho* available from the Conservation data Center, Idaho department of Fish and Game, P.O. Box 25, Boise, ID 83707.

o = Introduced Species

Abundance:

- a = abundant: certain to be seen
- c = common: should be seen in a suitable habitat
- u = uncommon: might be seen in a suitable habitat
- o = occasional: seen only a few times a season
- r = rare: seen at intervals of two to five years
- x = accidental: fewer than five records
- = no records

GREBES S S F W B

__Clark's Grebe.....	-	r	-	-	
__Western Grebe.....	r	r	r	-	
__Eared Grebe.....	-	r	o	-	
__Pied-billed Grebe.....	c	c	c	c	b

PELICANS

__American White Pelican*.....	-	o	-	-	
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HERONS AND BITTERNS

__American Bittern.....	u	u	-	-	?
__Black-crowned Night Heron.....	o	o	o	-	
__Green Heron.....	-	x	-	-	
__Snowy Egret.....	-	x	-	-	
__Great Egret.....	x	-	-	-	
__Great Blue Heron.....	c	c	c	c	b

IBISES

__White-faced Ibis*.....	-	r	-	-	
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CRANES

__Sandhill Crane.....	c	u	c	x	b
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DUCKS, GEESE AND SWANS

__Tundra Swan.....	u	-	u	c	
__Trumpeter Swan*.....	-	-	u	u	
__Snow Goose.....	u	-	u	-	
__Canada Goose.....	a	c	c	a	b
__Mallard.....	a	c	a	a	b
__Gadwall.....	u	u	u	u	b
__Green-winged Teal.....	u	o	u	b	
__American Widgeon.....	c	c	a		
__Northern Pintail.....	u	u	u	c	
__Northern Shoveler.....	u	r	u	o	
__Blue-winged Teal.....	u	u	u	r	
__Cinnamon Teal.....	c	c	u	r	b
__Ruddy Duck.....	u	u	-	u	
__Wood Duck.....	o	r	o	r	
__Canvasback.....	o	u	o	b	
__Redhead.....	c	c	u	-	b
__Ring-necked Duck.....	c	u	c	c	
__Lesser Scaup.....	c	c	c	c	b
__Barrow's Goldeneye.....	u	o	u	c	?
__Common Goldeneye.....	u	o	u	c	?
__Bufflehead.....	r	r	r	u	?
__Common Merganser.....	u	o	u	b	
__Hooded Merganser.....	r	-	r	o	

RAILS AND COOTS S S F W B

__Virginia Rail.....	u	u	u	u	b
__Sora.....	u	u	-	-	b
__Yellow Rail.....	-	x	-	-	
__American Coot.....	c	c	c	c	b

SHOREBIRDS

__American Avocet.....	u	r	u	-	
__Killdeer.....	c	c	c	-	b
__Long-billed Curlew*.....	c	u	-	-	b
__Willet.....	c	c	-	-	b
__Greater Yellowlegs.....	o	-	-	o	
__Lesser Yellowlegs.....	o	-	-	o	
__Solitary Sandpiper.....	u	-	-	u	
__Spotted Sandpiper.....	u	u	o	-	b
__Wilson's Phalarope.....	c	u	-	-	b
__Long-billed Dowitcher.....	o	-	r	-	
__Common Snipe.....	c	c	u	u	b

GULLS AND TERNS

__Franklin's Gull.....	o	u	-	-	
__Ring-billed Gull.....	c	c	-	-	b
__California Gull.....	c	c	-	-	b
__Black Tern*.....	r	r	-	-	
__Caspian Tern.....	o	c	-	-	?
__Forester's Tern.....	o	o	o	-	

VULTURES, EAGLES, HAWKS, AND FALCONS

__Turkey Vulture.....	c	c	-	-	
__Golden Eagle.....	u	o	u	u	b
__Bald eagle*.....	o	o	o	c	?
__Northern Harrier.....	c	c	c	c	b
__Sharp-shinned Hawk.....	u	u	u	u	
__Cooper's Hawk.....	o	o	o	o	
__Northern Goshawk*.....	o	r	o	o	
__Red-tailed Hawk.....	c	c	c	c	b
__Swainson's Hawk*.....	u	c	-	-	b
__Rough-legged Hawk.....	c	u	o	c	
__Ferruginous Hawk*.....	-	r	r	-	
__Osprey.....	u	o	u	-	
__American Kestrel.....	c	c	c	u	b
__Merlin*.....	-	-	r	o	
__Prairie Falcon.....	u	o	u	u	b
__Peregrine Falcon*.....	r	r	r	-	
__Gyr Falcon*.....	-	-	-	o	

GALLINACEOUS BIRDS S S F W B

__Blue Grouse.....	o	r	o	o	?
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__Sage Grouse.....	u	r	u	u	b
__California Quail.....	-	r	r	-	
__Chukar.....	u	u	u	u	b
__Gray Partridge.....	u	u	u	u	?
__Ring-necked Pheasant.....	c	c	c	c	b

PIGEONS AND DOVES

__Rock Dove.....	c	c	c	c	?
__Mourning Dove.....	a	a	u	o	b

OWLS

__Short-eared Owl.....	r	r	r	r	b
__Long-eared Owl.....	r	r	r	r	b
__Great Horned Owl.....	c	c	c	c	b
__Northern Saw-whet Owl.....	r	r	r	-	
__Barn Owl.....	o	o	o	o	

NIGHTJARS

__Common Poorwill.....	u	u	-	-	?
__Common Nighthawk.....	-	a	-	-	?

HUMMINGBIRDS

__Calliope Hummingbird.....	u	o	-	-	
__Broad-tailed Hummingbird.....	u	u	-	-	?
__Rufous Hummingbird.....	u	u	-	-	
__Black-chinned Hummingbird.....	u	u	-	-	?

KINGFISHERS

__Belted Kingfisher.....	c	c	c	u	b
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WOODPECKERS

__Northern Flicker.....	c	c	c	u	b
__Lewis' Woodpecker.....	u	c	-	-	
__Downy Woodpecker.....	u	u	u	u	b
__Hairy Woodpecker.....	u	u	u	u	b
__Red-naped Sapsucker.....	u	u	u	-	b

FLYCATCHERS

__Eastern Kingbird.....	c	a	-	-	b
__Western Kingbird.....	c	c	-	-	b
__Western Wood-pewee.....	c	c	-	-	?
__Willow flycatcher.....	c	c	-	-	b
__Cordilleran Flycatcher.....	u	u	-	-	
__Fork-tailed Flycatcher.....	-	x	-	-	
__Olive-Sided Flycatcher.....	-	o	-	-	

LARKS

__Horned Lark.....	u	o	c	c	
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SWALLOWS

S S F W B

__Tree Swallow.....c c u - b
 __Violet-green Swallow.....c c u - b
 __Bank Swallow.....r - r -
 __Northern Rough-winged Swallow.....c c u - b
 __Cliff Swallow.....c c u - b
 __Barn Swallow.....c c u - b

MAGPIES AND CROWS

__Black-billed Magpie.....a a a a b
 __American Crow.....a a c c b
 __Common Raven.....c u u c b

CHICKADEES

__Black-capped Chickadee.....c o u u b
 __Mountain Chickadee.....u o u u

NUTHATCHES

__Red-breasted Nuthatch.....o o o o

WRENS

__House Wren.....u u u - b
 __Marsh Wren.....c a c u b
 __Rock Wren.....u u - - ?

THRUSHES

__Mountain Bluebird.....r r r - ?
 __Varied Thrush.....r - r r
 __American Robin.....a a c o b
 __Hermit Thrush.....u - u -
 __Swainson's Thrush.....u - u -
 __Townsend's Solitaire.....- r -

KINGLETS

__Ruby-crowned Kinglet.....o r o r
 __Golden-crowned Kinglet.....o r o r

SHRIKES

__Loggerhead Shrike*.....o o - - ?
 __Northern Shrike.....- u u

MIMIC THRUSHES

__Northern Mockingbird.....x - - -
 __Gray Catbird.....u u - - b
 __Sage Thrasher.....- o - -

PIPITS

__American Pipit.....u - u -

WAXWINGS

__Bohemian Waxwing.....S S F W B
 - o o

__Cedar Waxwing.....c c o - b

STARLINGS

__European Starling.....a a a a b

VIREOS

__Plumbeous Vireo.....u u u - ?
 __Warbling Vireo.....u u o - b
 __Red-eyed Vireo.....- r - - ?

WARBLERS

__Orange-crowned Warbler.....o o - - ?
 __Nashville Warbler.....- x - -
 __Yellow-rumped Warbler.....c c r - ?
 __Townsend's Warbler.....- - x -
 __Yellow Warbler.....a a - - b
 __MacGillivray's Warbler.....o o o -
 __Wilson's Warbler.....u o u - ?
 __Common Yellowthroat.....u c u - b
 __Yellow-breasted Chat.....u u - - b

GROSBEAKS AND BUNTINGS

__Black-headed Grosbeak.....u u - - b
 __Indigo Bunting.....- x - -
 __Lazuli Bunting.....u o - - b
 __Evening Grosbeak.....u - u -
 __Snow Bunting.....- - u

SPARROWS

__Spotted Towhee.....c c u - b
 __Green-tailed Towhee.....u o - - ?
 __Vesper Sparrow.....c - - b
 __Savannah Sparrow.....u u - - ?
 __Song Sparrow.....c a a c b
 __Lark Sparrow.....c o - - ?
 __American Tree Sparrow.....- u u
 __Chipping Sparrow.....c o u - ?
 __Brewer's Sparrow.....c c u - b
 __Dark-eyed Junco.....c o o c ?
 __White-crowned Sparrow.....c u c - b
 __Lincoln Sparrow.....- - r ?

BLACKBIRDS AND ORIOLES

__Western Meadowlark.....a a o o b
 __Yellow-headed Blackbird.....a a u u b
 __Red-winged Blackbird.....a a u u b
 __Brewer's Blackbird.....c c c u b
 S S F W B

__Brown-headed Cowbird.....a a a - b
 __Bullock's Oriole.....c c - - b

TANAGERS

__Western Tanager.....u o - - ?

WEAVERS

__House Sparrow.....u o u c b

FINCHES

__Pine Siskin.....o o o o ?
 __American Goldfinch.....a a c c b
 __Common Redpoll.....- - - c
 __Cassin's Finch.....o r o u ?
 __House Finch.....u u - - b
 __Grey-crowned Rosy Finch.....- - - r

**Please help us preserve
Silver Creek!**

Silver Creek Preserve is owned and managed by The Nature Conservancy of Idaho, a private non-profit organization whose mission is to preserve plants, animals, and natural communities that represent the diversity of life on Earth by protecting the lands and waters they need to survive. Silver Creek Preserve relies entirely on donations to meet its yearly management needs. Your support is greatly appreciated.



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For more information about becoming a member, contributor, or volunteer of The Nature Conservancy, contact the following:

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BIRDS

OF THE

SILVER CREEK

PRESERVE AREA

REVISED 5/04



Common Snipe

Silver Creek Preserve protects one of the last intact examples of a high desert cold-spring ecosystem in the western U.S. Silver Creek's spectacular habitat diversity, including shrub land, riparian forest, and wetlands, provides cover and food for over 150 species of birds. The creek is formed entirely by springs from an aquifer that originated along the Big Wood River to the north of the Preserve. Silver Creek's water temperature remains relatively constant (50-60 degrees F). Much of the water is free of ice even during the coldest months making the preserve an oasis for wildlife throughout the year. Please enjoy your visit!