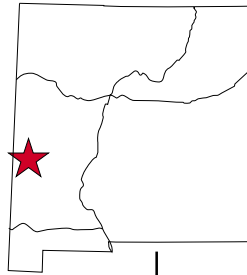
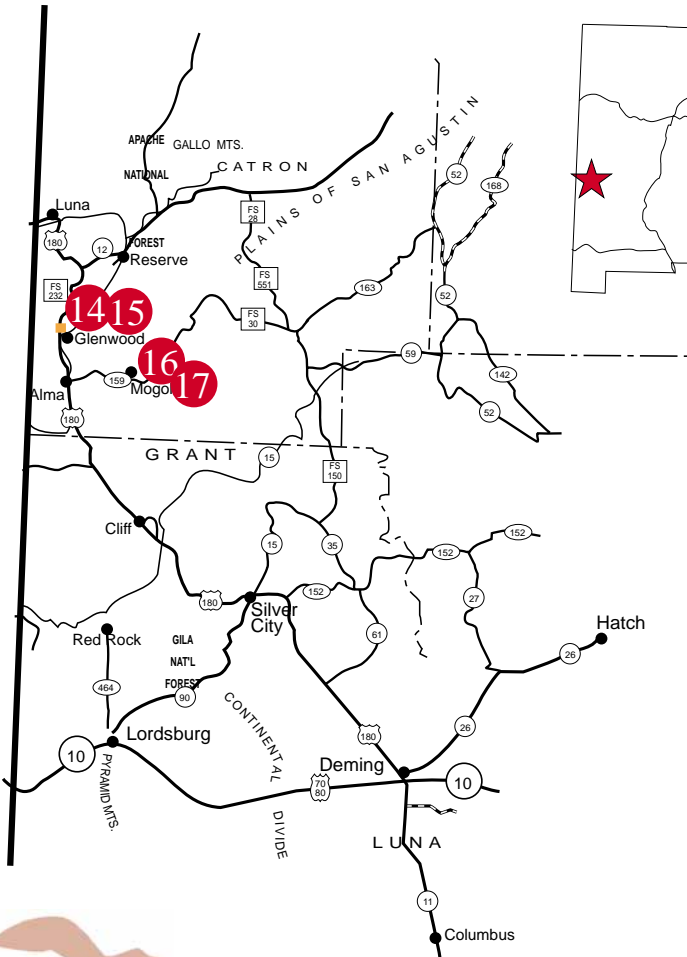




# Southwest New Mexico Birding Trail



Directions: From US 180 in Glenwood, turn right on to NM 174. Shortly after turn left, entering the fish hatchery property.

## Site 15 - Catwalk Recreation Area

Gila National Forest (505) 539-2481



The Catwalk offers birding and hiking opportunities along the banks of Whitewater Creek and Whitewater Gorge. In the parking lot and picnic area, Western Tanager; Bullock's Oriole and Cassin's Kingbirds are present in summer. Acorn Woodpecker is a permanent resident. On the 1-mile hike up the gorge, American Dippers can be seen along the creek. Other birds commonly seen on the hike include White-throated Swift, Cordilleran Flycatcher, Rock and Canyon Wrens; Hermit Thrush (winter), Black-chinned and Rufous-crowned Sparrows, Painted Redstart and Yellow-breasted Chat.

Directions: From US 180 in Glenwood, turn right on to NM 174. Proceed to the end of the road to the pay station.

## Site 14 - Glenwood Fish Hatchery

New Mexico Game and Fish (505) 476-8000



Located north of Glenwood on Whitewater Creek, the Glenwood Fish Hatchery raises trout for release. Common Black Hawk nests in the area can be seen during the months of April-September in the trees along the creek. Do not disturb these birds as they may abandon their nests. Acorn Woodpecker; Belted Kingfisher; Great-tailed Grackle; Common Yellowthroat; Yellow-breasted Chat; and Blue and Black-headed Grosbeaks also are found here.

Habitat: Riparian woodland with large cottonwoods.

## Site 16 - Mogollon

Private property. Bird from the public road only.



Mogollon (elevation 6,500 feet) is a former silver mining camp in Silver Creek Canyon north of Glenwood. Some residents maintain hummingbird feeders that attract several varieties of hummingbirds. Broad-tailed and Magnificent Humingbirds can be seen in spring and summer, and Blue-throated may make an appearance.

Rufous Hummingbirds appear in early July, and Calliopes are most likely from mid-July to August.





# Southwest New Mexico Birding Trail

Directions: Drive 3.4 miles north of Glenwood on US 180, turning right (east) on to NM 159. During the 10-mile drive to Mogollon, the road climbs steeply and is narrow and winding, with sheer dropoffs and no guard rails. Be especially cautious in winter.



## Site 17 - Willow Creek Campground

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Willow Creek Campground (elevation 7,950 feet) is located along Willow Creek in a remote part of the Gila National Forest east of Mogollon. Band-tailed Pigeon; Williamson's and Red-naped Sapsuckers; Cordilleran and Olive-sided Flycatchers, Greater Pewee; Warbling Vireo; Ruby-crowned Kinglet; Red-breasted Nuthatch; Violet-green Swallow; Steller's Jay; Red-faced, MacGillivray's, and Orange-crowned Warblers; Painted Redstart; Green-tailed Towhee; and Dark-eyed Junco are present in the summer. Blue Grouse and Three-toed Woodpecker are rare but may be in areas where there is little human activity. There also is productive birding along the road from Mogollon to Willow Creek.

Directions: From Silver City, go northwest on US 180 about 13 miles, turn left (south) on Mangas Valley Road towards the Tyrone Mine. After going 4.8 miles, turn right (southwest) on to Forest Road 851. Proceed 24 miles to NM 464, and turn right (north). Shortly you will come to the bridge across the Gila River. From Lordsburg, drive northwest for 2 miles on US 70, turn right (north) on NM 464 and proceed for 21 miles through desert terrain to the bridge across the Gila River.

Greater Pewee



**Warning:** A high-clearance vehicle may be required on the roads past Mogollon owing to frequent washouts during the summer monsoons. Due to the remote nature of this area and the high-altitude, weather can change very quickly. Visitors should carry ample food, water, and warm clothing. There is no cell phone service in this area.

## Check-List

- American Dippers
- Band-tailed Pigeon
- Belted Kingfisher
- Blue Grouse
- Bullock's Oriole
- Cassin's Kingbirds
- Common Black Hawk
- Common Yellowthroat
- Dark-eyed Junco

- FLYCATCHER**
- Cordilleran Flycatcher
- Olive-sided Flycatcher

- GROSBEAK**
- Black-headed Grosbeak
- Blue Grosbeak

- Greater Pewee
- Great-tailed Grackle
- Green-tailed Towhee
- Hermit Thrush

- HUMMINGBIRD**
- Blue-throated Hummingbird
- Broad-tailed Hummingbird
- Calliope Hummingbird
- Magnificents Hummingbird
- Rufous Hummingbird

- Painted Redstart
- Ruby-crowned Kinglet
- Red-breasted Nuthatch

- SAPSUCKER**
- Red-naped Sapsuckers
- Williamson's Sapsuckers

- SPARROW**
- Black-chinned Sparrow
- Rufous-crowned Sparrow

- Steller's Jay

- WARBLER**
- MacGillivray's Warbler
- Orange-crowned Warbler
- Red-faced Warbler

- Violet-green Swallow
- Warbling Vireo
- Western Tanager
- White-throated Swift

- WREN**
- Canyon Wren
- Rock Wren

- WOODPECKER**
- Acorn Woodpecker
- Three-toed Woodpecker

- Yellow-breasted Chat