



HMN Monitoring Summary

Session 18: 17 – 23 September 2020

Regional Summaries

ARIZONA

Fort Huachuca had a big day! They captured their 10,000th hummingbird and also their third-ever Blue-throated Mountain-gem at the site! During a training session a few days before, a hybrid was captured. See photos in the site's report below. Montezuma Castle wrapped up the season with 8 birds, and the team noted that it was unusual for only one previously banded bird to be captured the entire season. It was a busy morning at Harshaw Creek with 101 birds captured and many with fat and still molting. A good number of migrants of 8 – 9 species were still moving through Paradise as they recorded their final feeder watch for 2020.

UTAH

Calf Creek and Escalante wrapped up their 2020 monitoring seasons with a few last birds, including 3 Calliope Hummingbirds captured at Escalante.



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TABLE 1. Summary of captured or visiting hummingbirds and trapping information for the monitoring sessions on September 17 – 23, 2020. An asterisk (*) indicates a returning bird was previously banded under a different BBL master permit.

Location	Hummingbird Data					Trap Data			
	Number of Species Captured	Number of Species Observed Not Captured	Total Individuals Captured	Number of Individuals Captured >1	Number of Returning Individuals	Trap Total	Number of Trap Checkers	Number of Trap Counts	Total Minutes in Trap Counts
Arizona									
FH	9	0	90	8	12	2061	124	14	4:06
HC	4	1	101	13	14	2139	0	14	3:35
MOCA	3	0	8	0	0	22	25	0	0:00
PA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utah									
CFCK	3	0	5	3	0	3	12	0	0:00
ESC	2	0	12	5	0	5	19	0	0:00

TABLE 2. Number of individuals of each species captured on September 17 – 23, 2020. An asterisk (*) indicates a species observed but not captured.

Location	UN	AL	AN	BB	BC	BE	BL	BT	CA	CO	LU	RI	RT	RU	VC	WE	Total
Arizona																	
FH			62	1	10		1	3	1		2			8	2		90
HC			60	10	21									10	*		101
MOCA			1		6									1			8
PA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Utah																	
CFCK					3			1						1			5
ESC					9				3								12



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Date: 9/19/2020

Location: HARSHAW CREEK, PATAGONIA MOUNTAINS

Banding Team: SUSAN WETHINGTON AND LEE ROGERS

Assistants: Mario Fuzzell and Birdy Johnson

Time: 6:22 – 11:22 AM

Number of Visitors: 1

Session Remarks: Migration continues! For this session, there are more Anna's, about the same number of Rufous and Broad-billed, fewer Black-chinned, and still one or two Violet-crowned. In general, the birds look healthy and well over half of the birds captured have fat!! A number of Broad-billed and Anna's are still molting. We appreciate the help of Birdy and Mario! Thanks, it was a fun and productive morning.

Date: 9/23/2020

Location: MONTEZUMA CASTLE NATIONAL MONUMENT

Banding Team: TINA GREENAWALT

Assistants: Jasmine Scott, Kate Hamedani, and Philipp Wickey

Time: 6:15 – 11:15 AM

Number of Visitors: 3

Session Remarks: This was our last session for the season and we captured 8 birds of 3 species (ANHU, BCHU, and RUHU). As the case with most of our sessions this year, we didn't capture any birds the last couple of hours. We only had one recapture the whole season and although we started a month late, that's much lower than usual. Looking forward to next year!

Date: 9/20/2020

Location: THE GEORGE WALKER HOUSE, PARADISE, CHIRICAHUA MOUNTAINS

Banding Team:

Assistants: Jackie Lewis and Winston Lewis

Time: 6:20 – 7:50 AM

Number of Visitors:

Session Remarks: Feeder watch. Tally of visits. We were surprised that a high number of birds for the season are still moving through. We still had 937 total visits with 8 species. 64 visits from Rivoli's, 6 from a female Lucifer and 867 visits represented by adult female and juvenile Broad-billed, Black-chinned, Broad-tailed, Rufous and Anna's, and juvenile/female type Calliope. Adult males were seen only in the Broad-tailed and Anna's species. Blue-throated was heard will Jackie was hanging feeders between 5:45-6:00am. It did not come in during the feeder watch but male and female were seen later in the day as well as the day before. Yellow pollen was noted on upper mandibles and up the center of the forehead on several birds. During the 5 days following our final feeder watch for 2020 hummingbird numbers have surged and ebbed. We still see 8-9 species per day.

We are looking forward to a normal 2021. Health and peace to all of you.

Jackie & Winston Lewis



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Location: PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE, FORT HUACHUCA

Banding Team: LAURA DAVIS

Assistants: Laura Clawson, Carolyn Haldar, Birdy Johnson, Ali Ochoa, and Jorge Rodrigo Sedeno

Time: 6:02 – 11:02 AM

Number of Visitors: 0

Session Remarks: Two highlights for today, plus a hybrid from a previous training session! Today we exceeded 10,000 captures at this site since 2004! The 10,000th capture was a juvenile male Anna's. Our capture total is now 10,002. The Bird of the Day was a juvenile female Blue-throated Mountain Gem – only our third BTMG for the site. A week ago during a training session, we captured a hybrid hummingbird with a red lower mandible, green gorget, scattered blue iridescent feathers on the head, tail pattern like a juvenile male Anna's. Check out the photos. Today's effort resulted in 90 hummingbirds from 9 species: Anna's, Black-chinned, Blue-throated, Broad-billed, Broad-tailed, Calliope, Lucifer, Rufous, and Violet-crowned. Hatch-year hummingbirds accounted for 52% of the birds. Many thanks to the Fort's Environmental and Natural Resources Division and the Public Affairs Office for supporting our program.





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Date: 9/22/2020

Location: CALF CREEK NATIONAL RECREATION AREA AND CAMPGROUND (BLM)

Banding Team: TERRY TOLBERT

Assistants: Frank Venuti and Brita Granroth

Time: 7:10 AM – 12:10 PM

Number of Visitors: 4

Session Remarks: This is also the last session for this site. Just five individuals captured and banded in the first hour. Three of these returned multiple times during the session.

Date: 9/21/2020

Location: ESCALANTE INTERAGENCY VISITOR CENTER

Banding Team: TERRY TOLBERT

Assistants: Frank Venuti and Brita Granroth

Time: 7:07 AM – 12:07 PM

Number of Visitors: 7

Session Remarks: This is the last session of the season. The three CAHUs captured during this session was the highlight.