

Muskat, Roger (1983). "Transient Bird Survey of Morse Mountain; Phippsburg, Maine (May 2 - June 2, 1983)".

This census was conducted at Morse mountain and Small Point Beach in Phippsburg, Maine, from May 2 to June 2, 1983. The surveyed area belongs to the St. John family and is managed in part by the Bates Department of Biology. Individuals and species were recorded at ten designated stations, east of route 216 and bounded by the Morse and Sprague rivers. One hundred and sixty species were recorded during 16 trips, covering 85.1 total miles in 142 hours 25 minutes.

Highlights of the census include a Wilson's Plover on May 21 & 22 at the west end of Small Point Beach. This was the first verified occurrence of this species in Maine (a new species for the Maine checklist). It was photographed by a nonbirder- Warren McCoure on the 21<sup>st</sup> and again by Peter Vickory- former regional editor of "American Birds" for Maine, on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Other noteworthy occurrences include: American Oystercatcher- May 31 (RM & NF), Orchard Oriole- May 7 (TG & RM), and White-eyed Vireo- May 26 (RM).