



Bird Study Merit Badge (Continued)

Explain why some of the species you saw were present in small numbers. \_\_\_\_\_

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Describe the area you visited on your field trip and tell why this area is good for finding birds. \_\_\_\_\_

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**IF YOU SELECTED OPTION B:** By using a public library or contacting the National Audubon Society, find the name and location of the Christmas Bird Count nearest your home. What were the results of the most recent count?

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What kinds of information are collected during the annual event? \_\_\_\_\_

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What species are most common? \_\_\_\_\_

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What species are most uncommon? \_\_\_\_\_

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Why are these birds present in small numbers? \_\_\_\_\_

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If the number of birds of this species is decreasing, explain why. \_\_\_\_\_  
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What, if anything, can be done to reverse their decline? \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Requirement 8** Do one of the following: (A). Build a bird feeder and put it in an appropriate place in your yard or other location. (B). Build a birdbath and put it in an appropriate place., (C) Build a backyard sanctuary for birds by planting trees and shrubs for food and cover.

**Parent verification -** \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ District and Troop Number \_\_\_\_\_