

Scenario

- Connections With Nature Initiative
- "How can we assist faculty, students, and the community to learn about and connect with the natural world?"
- A responsibility and an opportunity

Birds, Data, and Digital Resources

Connections With Nature Initiative

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Proposal: PenCol Birds

A digital library (User Interface) and Database of the birds that visit our campuses and communities

Where be the bird data?

- WA Bird Species Summaries
- All Bird Species Statistics (measurements, habitat, etc.)
- WA bird sightings (for now 20,000 recent sightings)

Initial PenCol Birds Report

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sqtree -f read -l 150 -g 10 -s 100 -o 100 -e 100 -m 100 -n 100 -p 100 -q 100 -r 100 -t 100 -u 100 -v 100 -w 100 -x 100 -y 100 -z 100  
Dark-eyed Junco|Junco hyemalis|Forest|75.2|18  
Anna's Hummingbird|Calypte anna|Woodland|49|16  
Pine Siskin|Spinus pinus|Forest|72.4|16  
Steller's Jay|Cyanocitta stelleri|Forest|145.8|16  
Chestnut-backed Chickadee|Poecile rufescens|Forest|61.1|14  
Red-breasted Nuthatch|Sitta canadensis|Forest|66.4|14  
Black-capped Chickadee|Poecile atricapillus|Forest|64.4|9  
Downy Woodpecker|Dryobates pubescens|Woodland|91.3|8  
House Finch|Haemorhous mexicanus|Shrubland|77.2|8  
Bushtit|Psaltiriparus minimus|Woodland|45.2|5  
Northern Flicker|Colaptes auratus|Shrubland|151.8|5  
European Starling|Sturnus vulgaris|Human Modified|128.3|4  
Hairy Woodpecker|Dryobates villosus|||4  
Rufous Hummingbird|Selasphorus rufus|Forest|40.7|4  
Sharp-shinned Hawk|Accipiter striatus|Forest|181.6|4  
American Goldfinch|Spinus tristis|Forest|69.8|3  
Spotted Towhee|Pipilo maculatus|Forest|85.8|3  
Varied Thrush|Ixoreus naevius|Forest|121.6|3  
Violet-green Swallow|Tachycineta thalassina|Forest|115.5|2  
American Robin|Turdus migratorius|Forest|127|1
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listSightingsBySpeciesWithinLatLong.sql

```
1  SELECT
2      wb.common_name,
3      wb.scientific_name,
4      ss.Habitat,
5      ss.WingLength,
6      COUNT(ws.species_code) AS sighting_count
7  FROM
8      waBirds wb
9  LEFT JOIN
10     waSightings ws ON wb.species_code = ws.species_code
11 LEFT JOIN
12     speciesStats ss ON wb.scientific_name = ss.Species1
13 WHERE
14     ws.LATITUDE BETWEEN 48 AND 49
15     AND ws.LONGITUDE BETWEEN -124 AND -123
16 GROUP BY
17     wb.species_code, wb.scientific_name
18 ORDER BY
19     sighting_count DESC
20 LIMIT
21     20;
```

Proposal

- PenColBirds an Open-Source GitHub project
- 8 hours for base version
- Limitless applications