**Bird Calls**

**Objective**: To introduce participants to the songs of common backyard birds.

**Description:** Many backyard birds have recognizable songs that can be learned with practice. This activity enhances the discussion of how birds use songs and calls to communicate with each other. It can be used during an indoor program, as an general icebreaker, or to form teams for other group activities. It also works well as a pre-hike activity to introduce a group to some of the birds found on the trail.

Bird calls included:

Tufted Titmouse

Northern Cardinal

Carolina Chickadee

American Crow

Fish Crow

Whip-poor-will

Barred owl

American Robin

Grey Catbird

Eastern Towhee

**Instructions:**

1. Bird calls are currently saved in an envelope label format. Print on Avery Template 5160. Or adjust calls to larger size as needed.
2. Print enough calls so that each person has their own label to read aloud. Labels can be re-used or given to participant to keep.
3. Participants read their bird song aloud to find their matches and gather together by bird species.