

# Deer Creek Hills Birding Outing

## South Pond & Blue Oak Woodland Hike



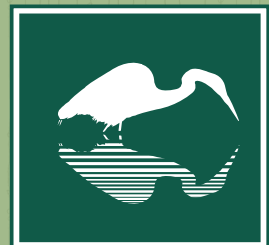
### Deer Creek Hills Preserve

Sat. March 18, 2017  
7am to Noon

Join Sacramento Valley Conservancy docents for a birding outing at Deer Creek Hills Preserve - South Pond and Blue Oak Woodland Hike.

Come celebrate the Wilson's Snipe with us. Last year we spied 11 of them at once, sunning themselves at the South Pond. This is a nice riparian area with Great Blue Heron, Common Gallinule, Virginia Rail and Pied-billed Grebe as well as a small assortment of ducks, Song Sparrows and Red-winged Blackbirds. The loop takes in a nice swathe of Blue Oak Woodland and skirts a small group of Western Gray Pine where we often get nice views of Band-tailed Pigeon across a small canyon. Rufous-crowned, Gold-crowned and White-crowned Sparrows are commonly seen on this outing. Lark Sparrows, Bushtits and Ruby-crowned Kinglets and American Pipits are common as well.

Most years it is a good outing on which to observe Lewis's Woodpeckers. Attendees are strongly encouraged to pre-register online. Space is limited.



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