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Birders,

Twenty or so intrepid birders braved the sunshine (after a cool start) to enjoy the bounty of the Emeraldal Marsh Conservation Area. The happy band experienced 55 species--with a few, including our target Painted Bunting, heard only by a couple of people. The highlight was probably the extended quality-time spent with a Barred Owl ("highlight" and "quality" are from our perspective, not the owl's). The lowlight was an odorous raccoon carcass--but that was a highlight for the 6 vultures enjoying it. No luck with Snail Kites or rails or bitterns or Soras, but at least we saw coots.

The checklist is attached. Participants: if you see anything I missed, please holler.

Namaste,
Mike

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