

## **Common Tern (*Sterna hirundo*), Roper Lake State Park, Graham County**

This Common Tern was discovered by Jeff Coker, Craig Wilcox and Diane Drobka on 09 September 2020 and photographed by Diane Drobka on 09 September 2020.

Common Tern is a casual migrant in southeastern Arizona, and this is apparently a first record for Graham County.

Similar species are Arctic and Forster's terns. Arctic would lack the large dark wedge on the upperside of the primaries and have a shorter bill and legs. Three Forster's Terns were also present (see second photo) and lack the dark carpal bar on the wing.





*09 September 2020, photo by Diane Drobke*

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