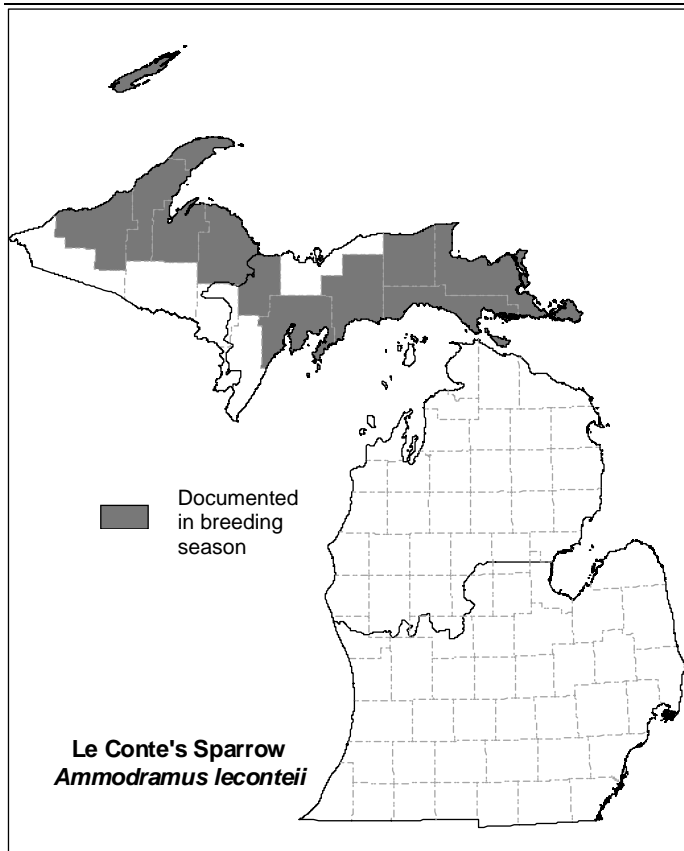


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## Le Conte's Sparrow

(*Ammodramus leconteii*)

**DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE:** Michigan lies at the edge of the Le Conte's Sparrow's breeding range, and it is found in small, scattered pockets in the Upper Peninsula. There may be locally common concentrations in areas of optimal habitat.

**ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** hayland; pasture; inland emergent wetland; fen; ephemeral wetland; alvar/rock

**ASSOCIATED THREATS:** dams; altered fire regime; grazing & mowing patterns; altered hydrologic regimes; invasive plants & animals; lack of scientific knowledge; wetland modifications

**COMMENTS:** Nest parasitism by Cowbirds (*Molothrus ater*) may be significant.