## THE RELATIONSHIP OF EURASIAN TREE SPARROW (*PASSER MONTANUS*) ABUNDANCE TO HABITAT PREFERENCE AND HOUSE SPARROW (*PASSER DOMESTICUS*) ABUNDANCE IN GREENE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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count increased and the average of the edge density of the forested areas increased, the total of the House Sparrow count decreased. This research indicates the importance of a diverse forest edge, the presence of water provided by ponds, and the importance of competition from the closely related House Sparrow.