

A photograph of a snow-covered evergreen tree, likely a spruce or fir, with its branches heavily laden with white snow. The background shows a clear blue sky and other bare trees, suggesting a winter setting. The sun is visible through the branches, creating a bright glow. A white rectangular box is overlaid on the upper part of the image, containing the text:

**Bird Field Note**  
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Chokecherries still hang in Woodchuck Creek, ready for winter foraging birds like American Robins or waxwings.



The bright red crest of a Pileated Woodpecker stands out in a winter landscape.



A leg-banded Merlin scans for unsuspecting flocks of birds near the entrance.



Gray Partridges forage in open grass as warm weather melts the snow.



A male American Kestrel devours a meal from a safe perch.





Seeds protrude through snow, providing food for an American Tree Sparrow.



Portions of Woodchuck Creek provide open water most of the winter. A single American Robin takes advantage of a muddy seep.



Bohemian Waxwings typically forage above ground, gleaning berries from branches or hawking insects from the air. This lone bird broke from a flock in search of something on the forest floor.



A Ruffed Grouse hides in a tangle of chokecherry and hawthorn.

