

Report Form  
The Audubon Society of Missouri  
Missouri Bird Records Committee (MBRC)

MBRC No.: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Species: Greater White-fronted Goose 2. Number Observed: 1 3. Age/Sex: an Adult <sup>evidently</sup>
4. Location (Including County): On sandbar with 20 Giant Canada Geese on East Nishnabotna River between Red Oak and Coburg, Montgomery Co., Iowa.
5. Date(s) Observed: June 3, 1998 6. Time Bird(s) Seen: From: 9:10 AM To: 9:15 A.M.
7. Reporting Observer, Address, And Phone No.: Dr. David A. Easterla, Dept. Biol., N.W. Mo. St. Univ., 800 Univ. Dr., Maryville, Mo. 64468 Ph. = 660-582-8468
8. Other Observers Present Or Known: Eric Hueste
9. Was(were) The Bird(s) Photographed/Videotaped? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  By Whom: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enclose Duplicate If Possible)
10. Habitat (General And Specific): We were canoeing the river & came around a curve and observed the geese resting on a sandbar. They allowed fairly close approach in the canoe until we moved, then they flew. All birds seemed healthy & they flew out of sight. No bands or
11. Distance To Bird: 75-90 ft. 12. Optical Equip.: neck collars present on any of the geese.  
→ None - we were close.
13. Light (Sky, Light On Bird, Angle Of Sun):  
Overcast - We were looking at the birds to the West from out East.
14. Please Attach Copy Of Any Field Notes.
15. Documentation Based On: Field Observation ; Photograph/video \_\_\_\_\_; Tape Recording \_\_\_\_\_; Specimen \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Describe In Detail (On Back Of This Form And Include Only What Was Observed) The Size (Preferably In Relation To A Similar-sized, Well-known Bird), Shape, And Color Pattern Of The Bird(s). Include A Description Of The Bill, Legs, Feet, Tail, Body, And Wings, As Well As Other Diagnostic Characteristics. Describe Behavior And Voice.  
(see below)
17. How Distinguished From Similar Species?: Unmistakable - A little smaller than the associated Giant Canada Geese. Immediately recognized by the prominent white band at base of bill, pinkish-orange bill, orange feet & legs, and erratic black barring on brownish-gray breast and abdomen; overall color of geese was gray-brown. In flight the white U-shaped rump band could be observed. The bird did not call.
18. Previous Experience With This And Similar Species: Over a period of 40+ yrs. I have seen thousands of Gr. Wh.-fronted Geese plus all the other geese species expected in the Midwest U.S.
19. Signature Of Reporter: \_\_\_\_\_ 20. Date Completing This Form: June 15, 1998

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