

DOCUMENTATION FORM
For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

1 ♀ adult

1 immature

What species? Rufous Hummingbird How many? 2

Location? Lakeview Drive, Mason City

Type of Habitat? Residential area, nest in large silver maple

When? date(s): 7-22-2000 + 7-28 (nest) time: _____ to _____ tree

Who? your name and address: Carolyn J. Fischer

Others with you: Rita Goranson

Others before or after you: Rita Goranson

Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, undertail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

Female hummingbird at feeder, green back and upperparts, orange-brown tail and rufous flanks. White belly. Saw white tail spots -

at nest site, adult ♀ with one immature, green upperparts, white underparts, shorter bill, did not have $\frac{1}{2}$ rufous wash - I did not see the second immature hummingbird -

Similar species: how eliminated.

Allen's Hummingbird -

more records of Rufous in Iowa, although inseparable from Allen's

Did any one disagree or have reservations about the identification? no
If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), optical equipment.

Sunny, 20 FT. at feeder, nest site 12 FT.

Previous experience with species and similar ones:

none

References and persons consulted before writing description:

Rita Goranson, (had talked with Jim Fuller + Matt Keene
How long before field notes made? 2 hrs this form completed? 1 wk

Send completed form to Field Reports or CBC editor (address on back cover of Iowa Bird Life).