

13 Ridge Road
Atlantic, Iowa 50022

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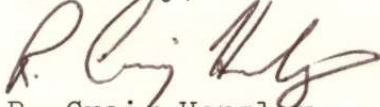
Enclosed please find a documentation form for the pair of hooded warblers that I saw on 15 May 1982. I took the information from my field notebook. I was suprised that this species has not been found in this area before, that is the main reason that I did not complete a form before. I hope that the information is useful.

Regarding the possible sighting of the female hooded warbler, I did not see the crest that you pointed out. Therefore, it would probably be best that this sighting be questioned so as not to misrepresent this species. I wish that I had noticed the colors in the tail feathers. I will keep my eyes out for this bird in case it reappears. I hope that this does not damage my credibility.

Enclosed also find a photograph of a bird that I took this past ✓ October 17, 1981 at the Hitchcock Recreation Area in Cass County. I feel that this is a sharp-tailed sparrow, however, I was not positive since I have never seen one before. I would appreciate it if you would take a look at it and see what you think. One characteristic that I noticed was the slightly forked tail. The buff color above the eye and on the side of the head and breast were very distinct. The only streaking I noticed on the breast and belly was on the sides.

Thank you for your assistance and guidance, it is very much appreciated.

Sincerely,


R. Craig Hensley

Season: Summer Year: 1982

Name and address

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Other observers (name, city):

(print or type)

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SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION - COMMENT - OTHER OBSERVERS
Weather was wet for June, drying out in July; temperatures were fair, cooler than usual at times; woodlands and fields in good condition.			
Mosquitoes were BAD!!!			
Wood Duck	16	June 16	Turkey Creek Wildlife Area, Cass County; saw 1 male, 2 female and one brood of 6 and one of 5 in the oxbow found in this area - the wet weather kept it flooded for the birds to nest.
Great Blue Heron	1	June 16	Cold Springs Park, Cass County
✓ Turkey Vulture	12	July 22	Hitchcock Rec. Area, Cass County-in air
✓ Red-tailed Hawk	1	June 4	Hitchcock Rec. Area, Cass County-by nest
" "	2	June 19	Hitchcock Area, one juvenile
Kestrel	2	July 20	County Road 2 miles west of Lewis, Iowa- also seen two days later in same large tree-possible nesters.
Belted Kingfisher	2	June 16	Cold Springs Park(a pair nested here a year ago), Cass County
" "	2	June 24	Turkey Creek Wildlife Area, Cass County
" "	2	July 29	Turkey Creek Wildlife Area, Cass County- these birds feed regularly here, possible nesters!
✓ Eastern Phoebe	1	June 10	Hitchcock Rec. Area, Cass County
✓ Eastern Bluebird	4	June 2	Turkey Creek Wildlife Area, Cass County- comprised of 1 male, 1 female, 2 juvenile.
✓ Loggerhead Shrike	2	June 27	County Road G-61, 2 miles west of Nodaway Wildlife Area, Cass County; SE corner
" "	1	July 30	Nodaway Wildlife Area, Cass County

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✓ Hooded Warbler(F)	1	July 22	Turkey Creek Wildlife Area, Cass County
✓ Orchard Oriole	2	June 10	Hitchcock Rec. Area, Cass County -
" "	2	June 27	County road along fenceline $\frac{1}{2}$ mile west of Troublesome Creek Wildlife Area, Cass County
" "	1	July 30	City Of Cumberland along Highway N28
Blue Grosbeak	2	June 5	Pellett Wildlife Refuge

Please refer to the documentation form for details regarding the Hooded Warbler, as its identification was very tricky. However I do believe that I have made the correct identification of this species.

Thank you.

R. Craig Hensley