

DOCUMENTATION FORM

For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

What species? N. goshawk How many? 1Location? 2 miles so of Rockwell, Ia on Hwy 65 Cerro Gordo Co.Type of Habitat? field - stubble Creek nearWhen? date(s): Oct 16 - 97 time: 12:35 PM to Who? your name and address: Rita GoransonOthers with you: 115 Lakeview Dr.Others before or after you: Mason City, IA 50401

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.

a hawk size bird - dark ^{gray} mantle, sleek back
feeding on groundstreak of white above eye and then darker eye
area and then light ^{check} chin + neck areaa crow near by + larger than crow - maybe
22"

Similar species; how eliminated:

not a peregrine as darker area horizontal
through eye - not a vertical streakDid any one disagree or have reservations about the identification?

If yes, explain:

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

100 ft - 12:35 PM - sunny - 8x35 bino.

Previous experience with species and similar ones:

Have seen a couple times

References and persons consulted before writing description:

How long before field notes made? immediate this form completed? 6 wks

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