

Details of Sighting  
DOCUMENTATION FORM for extraordinary bird sightings in Iowa

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What species? Western Sandpiper How many? 1

Location? west of Boys Branch

Type of habitat? flood field

When? date(s): May 3, 1986 time: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Who? your name and address: Bob Myers, P.O. Box 153 Perry, Ia.

others with you: \_\_\_\_\_

others before or after you: \_\_\_\_\_

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, under tail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

Details -

1. Peep size shorebird feeding with many others
2. Dark legs + bill
3. Overall pale color with fine dark streaking on white upper breast and sides. A patch on crown and the ear coverts and the scapulars were rust colored.
4. Bill seemed to have very slight droop at tip.

Similar species and how eliminated:

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, explain:

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

Previous experience with species and similar ones:

References and persons consulted before writing description:

How long before field notes made? \_\_\_\_\_ this form completed? \_\_\_\_\_

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