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Text item 1: Text Item

Steve,

Karl Jungbluth and I saw an immature Golden Eagle on Sunday December 20 1998 at 1250. We were standing on the e. side of the Des Moines River about 1/2 mile n. of the IA 17 bridge. The bird was soaring above the river in the vicinity of two adult Bald Eagles. The sky was overcast, temperature 10-15 d. Farenheit, variable wind from the north to north-west. The bird was observed for 2-3 minutes through binoculars. We saw a large dark buteo similar in size to the Bald Eagles. The bird was viewed from below as it soared almost directly overhead. Field marks noted were 1) White bases of the inner primaries 2) White band across mid-portion of tail. The band was critically observed and seen to extend to the margin of the tail bilaterally. Apart from these areas the bird was uniformly dark below. 3) Head projected less than 1/2 the length of the tail, noticeably less than that of the adult Bald Eagles in view at that time.

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