

DOCUMENTATION FORM

Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

Species Olive-sided Flycatcher
 Location Woodland Mounds County Park, Warren Co.
 Habitat mature oak-hickory
 Date(s) 4/13/88 Time 9:20 am to 9:25 am
 Name and Address Jim Sinclair, 810 North B St., Indianola, Ia
 Other observers _____

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 behavior and voice.

Greenish-brown upper parts, white-throat, lightly mottled breast-green-brown on white. Large headed flycatcher of medium size. Bird observed sitting atop several mature oaks. Bird sang three times and also called several times-song diagnostic

Similar species and how eliminated:

Only species possible would be the Eastern Phoebe-bird did not pump tail, did not have dark wings or dark head and was larger bodied than the Eastern Phoebe

Did anyone disagree or have reservations about identification? _____

If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), and optical equipment: 7x50 binocs, clear conditions, bird observed as close as 40 ft.

Previous experience with species and similar ones: familiar with Olive-sided Flycatcher

References and persons consulted before writing description:

How long before field notes made? 1 hour. How long before this form completed? _____