

DOCUMENTATION FORM for extraordinary bird sightings in Iowa

What species? Glaucous Gull How many? 1Location? just above Lock 15, Davenport, Scott Co.Type of habitat? Miss. River iceWhen? date(s): Jan. 23, 1983 time: 1:05 to 1:10 PM also Jan 25-12:00Who? your name and address: Peter C. Petersen, 235 Mc Cbellou Blvdothers with you: Gerald Whiteothers before or after you: Larry Linder - Jan 26

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.

Large gull, noticeably larger than accompanying Herring Gulls. entire plumage (while standing) tanish white, especially wings to tip. Legs pinkish, bill light, maybe with dark tip but angle of view didn't allow a good view

Similar species and how eliminated: Iceland Gull - bird too largeDid any one disagree or have reservations about identification? no

If yes, explain:

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

Bright oc. - bird about 200 yards away, seen with Swift scope - 30X & 65X 60 used.

Previous experience with species and similar ones: have seen frequently in winterReferences and persons consulted before writing description: noneHow long before field notes made? 30 min. this form completed? 30 min