

DETAILS FOR RARE BIRD SIGHTING

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SPECIES: Bewick's Wren

LOCATION: Campground area of Lacey-Keosauqua State Park, Van Buren County.

DATE: 9 May, 1992 (9:45 AM) and 12:15 PM)

DESCRIPTION: Two birds were seen, mostly on the ground. They were quite noisy, and one chased the other. At one point, one bird fed the other in courtship behavior. They were small wrens, and looked to be about the size of House Wren. The upperparts were a dark reddish brown (More red than I would have expected) There was a white eyeline. The underparts were white and unstreaked. The tail was black and white barred underneath, and I saw both birds wag it side-to-side, rather than up and down.