

DOCUMENTATION FORM
For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

1994

What species? *Henslows Sparrow* How many? *1-3*

Location? *approx 2 mile west & 1/2 mile N of Ida Grove.*

Type of Habitat? *Weedy CRP field.*

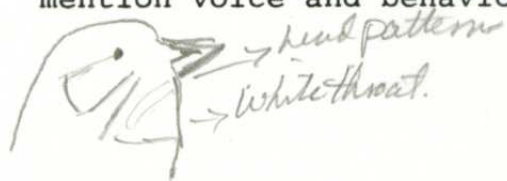
When? date(s) *Aug 10, 14 & 15* time: *6⁰⁵ pm to 6³⁰ pm*
1st time.

Who? your name and address: *PETE ERNZEN 401 TAYLOR*

Others with you: *ON 15 BILL HUSER OF SIOUX CITY & DICK BIERMAN OF CHEROKEE*

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 undertail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior. *Flat headed sparrow, gray bill, head, nape & crown stripe light olive green wings reddish brown*



V tail.

see notes →

Similar species; how eliminated: *GRASSHOPPER SPARROW.*

LECONTE'S SPARROW.

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? If yes, explain: *No See narrative on back side.*

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), optical equipment. *20-50 ft.*

Previous experience with species and similar ones: *GRASSHOPPER - & LECONTE'S MANY TIMES HENSLOWS ONE TIME IN D.A.B. CO.*

References and persons consulted before writing description: *National Geographic's Field Guide to Birds of N.A. Audubon's Society - Eastern Version*
How long before notes completed? *IMMEDIATELY DURING & AFTER*

→ Aug 10
First date I saw 2 adults and what looked like 1 Juvenile - peeping

On Aug 15. Dick Bierman & Bill Huser & I found 1 sparrow -
they did not see head color but were able to eliminate all other
similar sp. Flat appearance, small tail - lack of streaking on flanks
red brown wings eliminated -

Grasshopper

Beards

Savannah

Le Conte's

immature.

Vesper.

Field

Chipping

Clay Colored.