

DOCUMENTATION FORM
For Extraordinary Bird Sightings in Iowa

1994

What species? HARRIS SPARROW

How many? 1

Location? Western Ida County

Type of Habitat? Shrubby

When? date(s) Sept. 18

time: 12⁰³ to 12⁰⁴

Who? your name and address: PETE GRUBER 401 TAYLOR IOA GROVE

Others with you: None

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.

Large brown sparrow, buffy cheeks, black "whisker stripe" white throat
white throat and white border on chest
on chest.
Black



Similar species: how eliminated:

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification?
If yes, explain:

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), optical equipment. 20 ft Sunny weather.

Bushnell Falcon 7x35 352 Jast 1000x Coated lens.

Previous experience with species and similar ones: common migrant in Western Ia.

References and persons consulted before writing description:

None - common bird - early date

How long before notes completed? arrival home approx 1/2 hr later