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Dear Mrs. Schamel:

Thank you for your report on the sighting of the Sedge Wren. I appreciate receiving it as I get few reports of that species for the summer season. I think that the combination of it being very secretive as well as having specific habitat requirements lead to much of this. It certainly is a species that we need to keep an eye on it Iowa to determine what its status is. It also tends to nest later than most other birds so that many people simply aren't out to see it at the proper time as you and your husband were. I will be using your report in a report I write up on the summer season for Iowa Bird Life, our state bird journal. Thank you very much for your contribution and good birding in the future.

Sincerely,

James J. Dinsmore, Professor  
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