

VERIFICATION OF UNUSUAL SIGHT RECORD FOR UTAH

Common Name: RED-NECKED PHALAROPE

Scientific Name: PHALAROPUS IORATUS

Date: MAY 21, 1988 Time: 7:45 A.M.

Length of time observed: 45 MIN

Number: 2 Age:

Sex: FEMALE

Location: AMALGA BARRENS
CACHE CO UTAH

Latilong:

Elevation (if known):

Distance to bird: 30 YARDS

Light conditions: BRIGHT

Optical equipment: 32x SPOTTING SCOPE

Weather: CLEAR, WARM & SUNNY

Description: (Write a detailed description of the bird's appearance, including size, shape, plumage pattern, color, and any unique features.)

SMALL ROBIN-SIZED. DARK BILL, WHITE THROAT WITH DARK CINNATION COLORED NECK THAT EXTENDED ACROSS THE BREAST. GREY HEAD WITH A STRIPE GOING DOWN THE BACK OF NECK. BODY MOSTLY GREY WITH SOME TAN IN THE WINGS. ~~WHITE NEXT TO THE WATER LINE.~~ NO WHITE ON THE BACK OF THE NECK.

Voice or call notes and method of delivery:

Behavior: TURNING CIRCLES ON THE WATER FEEDING WITH A SMALL GROUP (8) WILSON'S PHALAROPES.

Habitat: A VERY SHALLOW LAKE, OR LARGE POND. MANY OTHER SHORE BIRDS AROUND. THEY WERE IN WITH A ^{SMALL} GROUP OF WILSON'S PHALAROPES. THEY WERE TOWARDS THE MIDDLE OF THE POND SPINNING ON THE WATER AWAY FROM ANY VEGETATION.

What similar species might it have been and how were these eliminated:

WILSON'S PHALAROPE WAS ELIMINATED, BECAUSE THEY WERE THERE FOR COMPARISON. THE RED-NECKED WAS SMALLER, HAD NO WHITE ON THE BACK OF THE NECK & A CINNABON BAND ACROSS THE BREAST

What experience have you had with this and similar species:

I HAVE OBSERVED WILSON'S PHALAROPE FOR SEVERAL SEASONS, BUT HAVE NEVER SEEN A RED-NECKED PHALAROPE BEFORE

Books, illustrations, and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description:

BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA (FIELD GUIDE) & WESTERN BIRDS (AUDUBON HANDBOOK)

Significance of record in this area or the state:

Additional material: (attach drawing, photograph, tape recording if available)

Description from notes taken at time of sighting notes made later from memory

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Other observers who independently identified this bird:

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