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VERIFICATION OF UNUSUAL SIGHT RECORD FOR UTAH

COMMON NAME: Hudsonian Godwit

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Limosa haemastica*DATE: 19-May-99
21-May-99TIME: 10:30am - 11:00am
morning

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED:

0.5 hrs on 19-May
1+ hr on 21-MayNUMBER: 1AGE: adultSEX: ♀?LOCATION: Amalga Barrens, Cache County, UTLAT/LONG: 3ELEVATION: ~4400'DISTANCE TO BIRD: closest 50'WEATHER: Mostly sunnyLIGHT CONDITIONS: both front and back lighting, sun high overhead

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF BIRD:

All key field marks are visible on the enclosed photos. These marks include:

- relatively large size - larger than long-bld. dowitchers in photos
- similar in size to avocet in photos
- bicolor, upturned bill - flesh-colored near base, dark distally
- white wing stripe on upper wing surface
- white rump
- black underwing linings
- dark rust coloration on breast and flanks - this color pattern suggests that the bird was a female.