

# UTAH BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

COMMON NAME:

SCIENTIFIC NAME:

DATE: 2/2/03

TIME: 11:30 AM

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED:

NUMBER: 1

AGE: 2nd <sup>year</sup> ~~year~~ <sup>Winter</sup>

SEX: ?

LOCATION: Utah lake state park / provo Boat Harbor

COUNTY: Utah

LATILONG:

ELEVATION: 4200 feet

DISTANCE TO BIRD: 20 feet

OPTICS USED:: Bushnell spotting scope 15X

WEATHER: Windy <sup>direct</sup> snow blowing horizontally from the north

LIGHT CONDITIONS: Sunlight blocked, but ample light for observation

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF BIRD: large Gull, pale overall some mottling  
pale primaries and tail feathers mostly dark bill  
Dark eye size of a Herring Gull

SONG OR CALL AND METHOD OF DELIVERY:

BEHAVIOR:

HABITAT: Swimming and Flying in and out of the harbor south and a little East of the north jetty

SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW WERE THEY ELIMINATED:

from the Herring Gull by absence of Dark Tail and primaries  
from the Glaucous Gull by darker bill

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILAR SPECIES: observed the Glaucous winged Gull at Olympic National Park Washington in 1994 and again at Bellingham Washington in 2000 and in 2002

REFERENCES CONSULTED: National Geographic Birds of North America 4th Edition  
Peterson Field Guide Western Birds All The Birds of North America American Bird Conservancy

DESCRIPTION FROM: NOTES TAKEN AT TIME OF SIGHTING ☒, NOTES MADE LATER\_\_\_\_, FROM MEMORY ☒

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OTHER OBSERVERS WHO INDEPENDENTLY IDENTIFIED THIS BIRD: Milton Moody  
and Dennis Shirley photographed Gull on 2/4/03

DATE PREPARED: 2-4-03

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL: PHOTO ☒, DRAWING\_\_\_\_, TAPE\_\_\_\_, OTHER\_\_\_\_

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