

RARE SPECIES DOCUMENTATION
Records of Vermont Birds

The following form has been prepared to encourage full documentation, when requested, of rare or unseasonal birds in the state of Vermont. These reports are put into a permanent file and should be as detailed as possible. New reports are reviewed annually by the Vermont Bird Records Committee, which evaluates records for their acceptability to future researchers and for inclusion in the state bird list.

Please print or type

SPECIES: AMERICAN THREE-TOED WOODPECKER

NUMBER OBSERVED: 1

OBSERVER MAKING REPORT: OTHER OBSERVERS (and addresses if available)

LOCATION: (place, township, county) MT. MANADNOCK, ESSEX COUNTY, VT

DATE: TUESDAY SEPT. 6, 2016

TIME AND LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: UNDER ONE MINUTE

DISTANCES FROM BIRD: Maximum 30' Minimum 30'

WEATHER:

wind direction NONE wind speed NONE

sky cover SUNNY light in relation to observer's position temperature TO THE RIGHT SOUTHWARD

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT: (make, power, etc.) SWANOVSKI 8x42 BIN. & NIKON P900 @ 1500mm

OBSERVER'S PREVIOUS ACQUAINTANCE WITH THIS SPECIES OR SIMILAR FORMS:

SEEN BOTH MALE & FEMALE TWICE IN ALABKA
SAW MALE MOOSE BOG. WITHIN LAST 10 YEARS

OTHER DOCUMENTATION: Photo 2 Tape Recording _____ Specimen _____

If yes to the above, where is this information deposited? @bird

HABITAT: (be as detailed as possible, include associated bird species)

AT 3,000' ELEVATION MIX OF SPRUCE & FIR, EXTREMELY DENSE FOREST

BIRD'S BEHAVIOR: (feeding actions, manner of flight, displays or interactions, reaction to observer)

BIRD WAS FORAGING ON WHAT APPEARED TO BE DEAD OR ALMOST DEAD LARGE SNAG AT 35' HIGH.

VOCALIZATION: (song or calls) NONE HEARD

DESCRIPTION: (Describe what you actually saw during the observation. We hope that observers will take field notes during the observation and before consulting field guides, etc. Additional pages with sketches and copies of field notes are encouraged.)

Relative size and shape: MEDIUM SIZED WOODPECKER SPECIES, APPROX. HAIRY WOODPECKER SIZED.

Head (crown, cheeks, eye, throat, nape):

CAUGHT FLASH A YELLOW ON FOREHEAD

Feet and Bill (shape, color, length):

Upper back:

NOT ABLE TO DISTINGUISH

Lower back and rump:

CAUGHT WHITE COLORING CENTER OF BACK AS BIRD ROTATED ON SWAG.

Wings (shape, length, markings):

N/A.

Breast, belly, flanks, undertail coverts:

N/A

Tail (shape, length, markings):

N/A

IMPORTANT: WHAT SIMILAR SPECIES WERE ELIMINATED WHEN MAKING THIS IDENTIFICATION AND HOW WAS THIS BIRD DIFFERENT?

DOWNY & HAIRY ELIMINATED ONCE YELLOW CROWN SEEN. AT FIRST SIGHT I THOUGHT I WAS SEEING A BLACK-BACKED WOODPECKER

COMMENTS: (was age or sex determined?, etc.)

MALE, AGE NOT DETERMINED

This report was written from notes taken during _____ immediately after _____ the observation, or written from memory (please attach copies of notes if available)

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