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UTAH FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
SIGNIFICANT SIGHTING RECORD DOCUMENTATION

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Lat/long _____ Reporter _____ Sci Name _____
Habitat _____ Record type _____ Serial No. MAY 28 1982 - 033
Date/time _____ Disposition _____ Cx Nos. _____

Common Name BAIRD'S SPARROW
Scientific Name AMMODRAMUS BAIRDII
Sight date MAY 1, 1982 time 10:30 AM ^{MDT} duration 10-15 MIN.
Distance from bird VARIED - 50' - 100'
Light conditions BRIGHT LIGHT - SUBJECT FRT. LIGHT
Optical equip. LEONARDS 7X50 BINOCULARS
Photo. equip. 0

Weather at time of this observation.
80°F, CLEAR, WARM - NO WIND.

Number of this species seen ONE
Notes made at time of sighting Date this report was prepared.
Notes made later from memory
Photo available Photo enclosed MAY 27, 1982

Prior weather & number of days since change
FAIR, NO RECENT CHANGE.

Locality DAVIS CO, LAT. #5 TOOLE
ANTELOPE ISLAND, EAST SIDE.
NORTH OF RANCH, WEST OF ROAD
IN FIRST DRY WASH LEADING UP
INTO "MOUNTAINS".

Male Adult Age unk. Basic Plumage Light Phase
Female Subadult ♀ or Imm Breeding Dark Phase
Sex Unk. Juv/Imm _____ year bird Eclipse Molting

Description of bird. Size, Colors, all field marks OBSERVED - Unique features of this bird, if any.

"DULL, WIDE, 'YELLOW' CROWN STRIPE. STRIPING ON BREAST ENDS ABRUPTLY ON CHEST. 'YELLOW' IN HEAD - FAINT COLORING. BACK AND SIDES TYPICAL SPARROW STRIPED."

YELLOW IS MORE TOWARDS GOLD THAN THE BRIGHT YELLOW AS IN A W. MEADOWLARK.

Belly is white, DARK EYE. CHEEK STRIPES PRESENT.
STRIPING ON BREAST IS ON A "YELLOW" FIELD.

RESEMBLES SAVANNAH SPARROW, BUT BAIRD'S TAIL NOT NOTCHED NOR DOES STRIPING CONTINUE DOWN OVER BREAST.

BAIRD'S - ALSO LIGHT "YELLOW" EYE STRIPE ABOVE EYE WITH TAN CHEEKS.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL NOTES, LISTS OF REFERENCES, SKETCHES FROM LIFE, PHOTOGRAPHS ETC.

Field marks which were not seen. Why not? NONE -	Variations from expected field marks. NONE
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List similar species and describe why or how you eliminated them.

SWANNAH - SEE OTHER SIDE

VESPER WITH WHICH IT ASSOCIATED - VESPER HAS WHITE OUTER TAIL FEATHER AND HEAD DOES NOT HAVE YELLOWISH BACKGROUND, MUCH LESS DISTINGUISHABLE STRIPING.

LE CONTEES - WRONG HABITAT, LE CONTEES HAS WHITE CROWN STRIPE.

Behavior of this bird. Include names of other birds with this one and any interaction.

IN WITH VESPER SPARROWS, MOVING WITH THEM, AHEAD OF US, AS WE ATTEMPT TO APPROACH THEM - I CIRCLED WIDE HOPING TO DRIVE THEM BACK TOWARDS RON & MARK - SOME SUCCESS. BIRDS WOULD FLY TO GROUND OR PERCH ON ROCK AS THEY MOVED BACK AND FORTH ACROSS WASH PROGRESSIVELY MOVING "UP" THE WASH. EVENTUALLY GOT "TIRED" OF THE HARRASSMENT AND LEFT AREA, MOVED NORTH.

Habitat this location and near by or adjacent habitat if significant.

DRY WASH - GRASSY PLAIN. SOME EXPOSED SOIL AND SMALL ROCKS > 12" DIAMETER. -- GRASSLAND.

Describe birds song or sounds. NOT DISTINGUISHED BY ME.	Names of other observers. A/C + phone # MARK LEPPERT - 487-7963 RON REECE - 485-8044 BOTH A/C 801
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What is your experience with this or similar birds? FIRST SIGHTING. # 277 LIFE LIST.	Print name & mailing address below. BILL HUNTER 386 E. Woodlake Cove, #203 Salt Lake City, UT 84107 A/C and Phone No (801) 266-7660 Signature: <i>William Hunter</i>
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 Light conditions BRIGHT - SUNNY
 Optical equip. BINOCS - LEONARDS 7x50
 Photo. equip. _____
 Number of this species seen 1
 Notes made at time of sighting Date this report was prepared.
 Notes made later from memory
 Photo available Photo enclosed DUPLICATE
UFO REPORT # 34

Weather at time of this observation.
80°F., CLEAR, WARM, STILL
 Prior weather & number of days since change
CLEAR - WARM

Locality
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 Sex Unk. Juv/Imm _____ year bird Eclipse Molting

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NOTES FROM MY JOURNAL:

"ID BY MARK LEPPERT... ON NORTH SIDE OF DRAW WITH VESPER SPARROWS. DULL, WIDE, YELLOW CROWN STRIPE, STRIPING ON BREAST ENDS ABRUPTLY ON CHEST. YELLOW IN HEAD - FAINT COLORING. BOOK CALLS HEAD/CROWN STRIPE - OCHRE. BACK AND SIDES SPARROW STRIPED. LISTED IN BETHE AS HYPOTHETICAL FOR UTAH."

ATTACH ADDITIONAL NOTES, LISTS OF REFERENCES, SKETCHES FROM LIFE, PHOTOGRAPHS ETC.

Field marks which were not seen. Why not?

NONE

Variations from expected field marks.

NONE

List similar species and describe why or how you eliminated them.

BAIRDS - BROAD MEDIAN CROWN STRIPE; YELLOW IN HEAD AND BENEATH BREAST STRIPING; BREAST STRIPING ENDS ABRUPTLY ON CHEST.

VESPER - CHESTNUT ON WING, WHITE OUTER TAIL FEATHERS. NOT FOUND ON BAIRDS

GRASSHOPPER - NO YELLOW PRESENT ON JUVENILE, ADULT DOES NOT HAVE STRIPED BREAST.

LECONTES - HAS WHITE CROWN STRIPE, UNSTRIPED BREAST.

Behavior of this bird. Include names of other birds with this one and any interaction.

FLITTING WITH SHORT FLIGHTS FROM GROUND TO GROUND, GROUND TO ROCK, ETC. MOVING UP AND DOWN DRAW AS WE FOLLOWED. IN WITH VESPER SPARROWS (8).

Habitat this location and near by or adjacent habitat if significant.

GRASSLAND - IN AND AROUND DRAW LEADING FROM HILLS TO WEST. NO WATER, NO BRUSH.

Describe birds song or sounds.

N/A

Names of other observers. A/C+phone#

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What is your experience with this or similar birds?

FIRST SIGHTING

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