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Latilong _____ Record type _____ Serial No. _____
 Habitat _____ Disposition _____ Cx Nos. _____

Common Name Trumpeter Swan
 Scientific Name Cygnus buccinator
 Obs. date 4/11/85 Time(s) 8:00 AM to 6:15 PM
 Duration of obs. 6 separate 15-30 minute observations
 Distance from bird 35 feet
 Light conditions Daylight - Good
 Optical equip. 30 power spotting scope
 Photo equip. Canon AE1 with 200 mm lens

Weather at time of this observation.
65° - Clear-warm-beautiful
 Prior weather and number of days since change
Several days of similar weather. Unusually warm, dry April - Over 2 weeks since previous storm.
 Locality Maeser area of Ashley Valley NW of Vernal City about 3 miles (3300 West 2500 N)

Notes made at time of sighting X Date report prepared
 Notes made later from memory _____ 4/15/85

Latilong block number 8

Enter number of birds in each category.	GENDER(S)	AGES(S)	PLUMAGE(S)	PHOTO(S)
Total number observed.	Males <u>1</u>	Adults <u>1</u>	Breeding _____ Transition _____	Available <u>X</u>
<u>1</u>	Females _____	Juv/Imms _____	Eclipse _____ Dark phase _____	Enclosed _____
	♀ or Imms _____	2/3 yr birds _____	Winter _____ Light ph. _____	
	Unknowns _____	Unknowns _____	Other _____	

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

Large white swan - Red marking on lower mandible visible at certain angles.
 Bird had a red radio collar attached with white letters R2 (Banded on 7/18/84 at Red Rock Lakes NWR in Montana).

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.

Bird was larger than whistling swan and lacked the yellow marking near the eye. Mr. Dave Condon who owned the property where the pond is located, has extensive experience with the Trumpeter Swan in a research capacity and made the initial identification. The radio collar and confirmation from Red Rocks Lake NWR further confirmed the identification.

Behavior of this bird. Other species seen with this one. Any interaction between birds?

Floated and fed in the pond most of the day - once observed on the shoreline near 3 tame geese - also was observed resting with head tucked over back near posterior several times.

Habitat at this location. Adjacent or near by habitat, if significant.

Area is near Ashley Creek cottonwood bottoms and is surrounded by pastures and cropland.

Describe bird's song or sounds.

None heard

Print reporter's name, address, phone number.

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Signature _____

What is your experience with this or similar birds?

I've seen them in Yellowstone area several times, as well as Island Park area in Idaho. Mr. Condon, as indicated above, has extensive experience with the species.

Corroborating observers not reporting separately.

David Zalunardo _____
Print Name Signature

David Condon _____
Print Name Signature

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