

VERIFICATION OF UNUSUAL SIGHT RECORD FOR UTAH

Common Name: ANNA'S Hummingbird Scientific Name: *Calypte Anna*

Date: 11/20/88 Time: 1:45 pm Length of time observed: 20 min

Number: 1 Age: Adult Sex: ♂

Location: SANDY Utah


Latilong: 6 Elevation (if known): 4400 ±

Distance to bird: AS close AS 2 ft. Light conditions: good, but coming from overhead

Optical equipment: binos 10x50 - mostly bare eye

Weather: cold / clear

Description: (Write a detailed description of the bird's appearance, including size, shape, plumage pattern, color, and any unique features.)

Large short-billed hummingbird with brilliant red extending from throat to ~~back~~ ^{the crown}. The gorget feathers seemed to extend ^{slightly} further at the right and left points angles.  white spot behind eye.

Upper breast was dirty white, lower breast and belly an olive green. Back was iridescent green. Tail and flight feathers black.

Size was large (approx. size of a broad-tailed

Voice or call notes and method of delivery: voice not heard

Behavior: was coming periodically to a feeder long after other hummingbirds had migrated on.

Habitat: Stayed hidden in an elm tree then flew to feeder, fed for approx 1 min, returned to tree for about 10-15.

What similar species might it have been and how were these eliminated:

Costa's H.B. - gorget extends over head, but point angles are much longer - also iridescences purple not red as in this species

Broad-tailed H.B. - gorget is limited to throat. Green wash is only in sides and flanks.

What experience have you had with this and similar species:

Seen many times in California. I saw this species in Utah in the winter of '87.

Books, illustrations, and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description:

National Geographic

Significance of record in this area or the state:

would probably be breeding here casually now if the Tracy Aviary would ^{int} capture them as soon as they are reported

Additional material: (attach drawing, photograph, tape recording if available)

Photos were taken

Description from notes taken at time of sighting notes made later from memory

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