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SUPPORTING DETAILS: UNCOMMON OR RARE SPECIES/HIGH NUMBERS

CBC Name Kanab, Utah Date 12/21/89 Compiler Mike Noel
 Observer writing this account & date Steve Hedges 12/22/89

SPECIES Eastern Phoebe NUMBER, AGE, SEX 1 adult
 Distance from bird(s) 20-30 ft. Relative size of bird bluebird or thrush

HEAD & NECK (Describe forehead, crown, auricular, malar region, median line, etc.) Head dark gray - noticeably darker than back.
No markings on head.

EYE & LORES (Describe supercilium, ring, stripe, color, etc.) Eye black.
No eyering or stripes.

UPPER & LOWER MANDIBLES Black, shape of typical flycatcher.
 LEGS & FEET Black

UPPERPARTS (Describe nape, back, rump, upper tail coverts, etc.)
Back was grayish-brown, much lighter than crown. No streaking or other markings on back.

UNDERPARTS (Describe throat, belly, side, flanks, crissum, etc.)
Underparts were a dingy grayish-white from throat to undertail coverts. Breast slightly darker than throat.

RECTRICES (Describe inner, middle, outer tail feathers, color pattern, shape, etc.) Tail dark brown-gray, slightly forked.

WING (Describe color, length, shape, linings, bars, coverts, leading & trailing edges, etc.) Wings were grayish-brown, slightly darker than back. No wing bars or other markings.

VOCALIZATION Call "chip" was repeated continuously 10-15 times per minute.

BEHAVIOR Bird was very active. Would fly from fence to low bush by stream & back to fence. Repeated several times. When perched, would wag tail continuously.

Date of observation 12/21/89 Time ~2:30 pm Weather Clear Sky sunny & clear
 Duration of observation 5 min. Bird - Sun orientation I was between bird & sun
 Exact location edge of town (Kanab) in field by high school.
 Habitat open field next to stream Other observers none

Optical equipment 7x35 binocs.
 ADDITIONAL COMMENTS When I first heard the bird calling, I thought it was a black phoebe which has a similar call note. Upon seeing the bird, I realized that it wasn't

AN ACCOMPANYING SKETCH OR PHOTOGRAPH CAN BE MOST HELPFUL
 a black phoebe - black phoebe is distinctly black & white. subject bird lacked dark throat & breast of black phoebe. Bird was too large for Empidonax, & breast was too light for pewee or olive-sided. Call & tail wagging distinctive of E. phoebe. I've observed E. phoebe previously in mid-west & SE states.