

### Utah Ornithological Society Verification of Unusual Sight Record for Utah

Common Name: RED-SHOULDERED HAWK Scientific Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date: 10/18/00 Time: 10:00 am Length of Time Observed: 15 min  
 Number: 1 Age: imm Sex: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Location: 1/4 MILES NE OF GRANTON GHOST TOWN PARKING AREA  
 Lat/long: \_\_\_\_\_ Elevation: ~ 4000 FEET  
 Distance to Bird: ~ 50 YARDS  
 Weather: CLEAR, COOL  
 Light Conditions: BACKLIT BY SUN, BUT STILL VISIBLE  
 Detail Description of Bird: MID-SIZED BUSTED; BROWNISH OVERALL, MED-LENGTH BANNED TAIL, FAINT WHITE LINE OVER EYE; MARKINGS ~~WAS~~ COVERING BREAST APPEARED BOTH HORIZONTAL + VERTICAL  
 Song or Call and Method of Delivery: REPEATED "CAW" CALLS  
 Behavior: PERCHED, BUT WOULD PERIODICALLY MOVE FROM TREE TO TREE; CALLING FREQUENTLY.  
 Habitat: DENSE COTTONGWOOD FOREST ALONG VIRGIN RIVER  
 Similar Species and How Were They Eliminated: COOPER'S HAWK (imm); TAIL SHORTER THAN COOPER'S; BIGGEST "GIVE-AWAY" WAS CALL.  
 Previous Experience with this and Similar Species: WE HAVE SEEN & HEARD HUNDREDS OF R.S. HAWKS AFTER WORKING IN FL EVERGLADES FOR ~~SEVERAL~~ OVER 10 YEARS. COOPER'S HAWKS ARE COMMON NESTERS ALONG ZION'S VIRGIN RIVER.  
 References Consulted: STOKES BIRD PAPES, NAT'L GEO FIELD GUIDE  
 Description From: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Notes Taken at Time of Sighting  Notes Made Later  From Memory   
 Observer: BOB SHOWLER Signature: Robert Showler  
 Address: P.O. BOX 236  
 City: SPRINGDALE State: UT Zip: 84767  
 Other Observers who Independently Identified this Bird: CHRISTI CARMICHAEL  
 Date Prepared: 10/19/00  
 Additional Material: \_\_\_\_\_ Photo \_\_\_\_\_ Drawing \_\_\_\_\_ Tape \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
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