

RARE OR UNUSUAL RECORD

NEW STATE RECORD

ACCEPTED

REJECTED *JK 8/2/76*

Species: GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH

Catharus minimus

(Vernacular Name)

(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): *29 May 76*

Time Bird Seen: *1030* to *1100*

Locality: Jumbo Reservoir

Nearest Town: Crook

County: Logan

Other observers who independently identified this bird:

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

Optical Equipment: *Bushnell 10 x 50*

If photographed, type of equipment used: *N/A*

Light Conditions: *Good Sunny*

Distance from bird (how measured): *40 ft. East.*

Number of Birds Seen: *1* Sex: *unk.* Plumage: *Spring*

Describe the bird's overall behavior and demeanor:

Feed in understory and lower branched with a flock of Swainson's Thrushes.

Describe in great detail the bird's size, overall shape, plumage and color-pattern. Include details on shape of bill, wings and tail. Give particular emphasis to the marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance in field guide descriptions is not enough. Describe what you actually saw in the field:

Thrush sized with typical Thrush bill and medium-short tail. Olive Gray back, tail and head. No eye ring, no red or buffy color. Breast spotting blurry and faint. Check patch did not contrast with rest of head.

Describe the bird's song or call, if heard, including method of delivery, i.e., from perch, in flight, etc:

None

Describe the habitat in which you observed this bird:

Willows along an inlet canal to the Reservoir,

How were similarly appearing species eliminated?

Lack of Red or Buffy coloring eliminated Hermit and Swainson's Thrushes and Veery, Lack of Contrast of Check Patch and Blurry Breast SPOTTING. Rejected the Gray-Checked Thrush.

Prior experience with this and similarly appearing species:

3rd Sighting this Spring. I have seen all other ~~Faded Thrushes~~ Thrushes in particular Swainson's and Hermit.

Books, illustrations and advice consulted and how did these influence this documentation?

None

This report was written from notes made during ___ after ___ observation; from memory X

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