

**Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form**

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Print this page and then fill out. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.

Species (please include common and scientific name): BROWN PELICAN  
DELECANUS OCCIDENTALISDate(s) of Observation: 9-5-99Number of birds seen: 2 Sex: U Plumage: ADULT + SUBADULTExact location: QUINCY RESERVOIRCounty: ARAPAHOE Nearest town: AURORA Elevation:Length of observation: 40 MINUTES Time(s) of observation: 6:50 PMOther observers who saw the bird(s) with you: GEORGI LANGENDORFER

Other Observers who independently saw the bird(s):

Light Conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s); position): GOOD SUNLIGHT BEHIND  
MYSELF, FULL ON BIRDS  
SUN IN WEST SKYOptical equipment used: BUSHNELL SPOTTING SCOPE  
15-45X ZOOM 60MMDistance from bird(s) (estimated unless otherwise noted): BUSHNELL BINOCULARS 10X23  
500 YRDSWas bird(s) photographed? NO If so, have you submitted photos?

Who took the photographs?

Describe the general and specific habitat in which the bird(s) occurred:

LARGE RESERVOIR, SMALL ISLANDS WITH TREES

Describe the bird's behavior (flying, feeding, habits, behaviors used in identifying the species or in supporting the identification):

LARGE WINGSPAN, SLOW DESCENDING  
FLIGHT TO WATER. LARGE BEAKS, THROAT POUCH.**click here for page 2 of this form / Back to the CBRC Home Page Links**

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Describe the bird in detail. This is the most important part of this report. Include the overall size

and shape and how you placed the bird in the general group that you did. Give complete details of plumage, including head, throat, undersides, nape, back, wings and tail. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird(s). Describe other important details, such as color and shape of bill, legs, eye, (etc.) that were important in making the identification. (Fill out this portion even if photographs are submitted; you may attach additional sheets, drawings, field sketches or copy field notes):

ADULT APPROX 36-40 INCHES TALL SUBADULT  
AROUND SAME SIZE. WING SPAN AT LEAST 6 FT. OVERALL GREYISH-BROWN  
IN COLOR. ADULT SHOWED WHITE HEAD W/ YELLOW PAUCH AROUND CROWN OF BILL.  
BROWN/TAN STREAK ALONG BACK OF NECK FROM CROWN OF HEAD TO BASE  
Describe birds call or song: OF NECK LARGE GREY/TAN BILL WITH YELLOWISH HOOK ON  
TIP. BILL ABOUT 8-12 INCHES IN LENGTH. SLENDER BUT STICKY NECK  
Discuss similar species and how you eliminated them:

WHITE PELICAN. BIRD WAS NOT ALL WHITE WITH BLACK WING TIPS  
BROWN COLOR, W/ WHITE HEAD BROWN NAPE OF NECK. BILL  
NOT ORANGE AND NO BONY PROTRUSION AS FOUND ON WHITE.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?

SEEN NUMEROUS TIMES IN FLORIDA AND CALIFORNIA COAST

List books, guides, recordings or other sources consulted and how this influenced your identification (during and after observation):

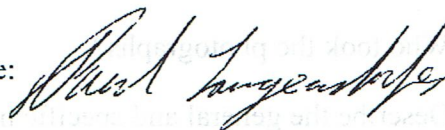
GOLDEN GUIDE  
BIRDS OF NORTH AMERICA

This report is from notes made during \_\_\_ or after \_\_\_ observation,  
or later from memory X

Date of written report: 9-7-99

Reporting observer: PAUL LANGENDORFER

Signature:



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