CFO-ORC FILE # 18-89-10
COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM
NEW STATE RECORD UNUSUAL RECORD X
Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.
Species: PIPING PLOVER CHARADRIUS MELODUS (Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)
Date(s): August 7th, 1989
Number of birds seen: Foul Sex: 1 MALE, 1 FEMALE Plumage: 2 ADMLT, 2 DAWNY YOUN
Locality: NEE NOSHE RESERVOIR SOUTHERST CORNER Elevation: 4000'?
Nearest town: LAMAR County: Klow A
Time(s) observed: AT RETORVOR FROM 10 An - 4 PM
Duration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): Young For About 1 Houl
Other observers who saw the bird with you (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):
Other observers who saw the bird independently (give names, addresses, telephone numbers)
Light conditions (position of bird to light and shade, direction and strength of light):
Optical equipment used (e.g. power, types): Binoculars lox LTRESCRE 20x -> 50 x
Distance, and how measured: 16 YAROS From Young AT CLOSFST APPRIACH.
If photographed, type of equipment and film:
Who else photographed the bird?
Describe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying):
THE MALE WAS CONTINUALLY PLYING AND MOVING AROUND AND GEVERAL TIMES GAVE THE
BROKEN WING DISTRACTION DISPLAY. FINARLY I FOUND OUT WHY, WHEN I SAW TWO DOWNY YOUNG
THAT WERE IN THE MALE'S OURE. THE FEMALE WAS BRIEFLY SEEN A SHIRT DISTANCE AWAY.
Describe in detail the bird's relative size, overall shape, plumage and color pattern. Include details of bill, wing and tail shape. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance to field guide descriptions and illustrations is not enough. Describe only what you actually observe in the field:
THE MALE PLAVER HATO ORANGE LECS AND BASE TO THE BILL. IT HATO A COMPLETE
BEEMBAND AND THIN BLACK LINE OVER THE UPPER FOREHEAD. IT WAS LIGHTER AND
SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN THE SEVERAL SNOWY PLOVERS THAT WERE CLOSE BY.

Description (continued):

THE YOUNG WERE CLEARLY PIPING PLOVERS AS THE MAZE PIPING KEPT A VERY CLOSE WATCH ON THEM AND DROVE DEF SHOWY PLAVERS IF THEY CAME TOO BLISE. THE YOUNG WELL ABOUT 20-25% OF THE VOLUME OF THE ADULT AND WELL STILL DOWNY. THEY HAD LONG GRANGE LESS, SMALL WINES AND WELL UNABLE TO FLY. THEY COLD RUN AND SWIM, AS ONE WENT INTO THE SHOCKOW RESERVOIR WHEN I GRIVERED IT. I ESTIMATE THERE AGE AS I WEEK IS. SORN AT THE START OF AUGUST. THEIR INABICITY TO FLY MEANT THAT THEY WERE BORN AT NEW WISHE RESERVOIR

Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery, (i.e. from perch, in flight, duration):

CONTINUE PEEP NOTE FROM MALE

Describe the general and specific habitat in which you observed the bird:

SAWDY BEACH OF LEGER VOIR WITH SOME SCATTERED PLANTS HIGHER ON THE BEACH.

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

SNAWY PLOVER - LEC COLOR, BACK COLOR, HEAD MARKINGS, BILL SIZE, OVERTEL SIZE.

SEMIPARMATED PLOVER - BACK COLOR, HEAD PATTERN, SIZE AMO POSITION OF BREAT BAND.

COMMON RINGED PLOVER - SAME AS ABOVE.

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

HAVE SEEN PIPING PLOVER BEFORE ON EAST AND GULF COASTS.

SWANY AND SEMPHEMATED PLATES ARE QUITE COMMON IN COLFRAGO.

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List books, illustrations, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this in-

- a) at time of observation: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC RELO GUIDE
- b) after observation:

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adults have bright orange legs, bills 2-toned: orange up black tips short & stout. of w/ complete single black breast band. Black forehead band. Eye black & stands out clearly on pale face 4: with partial black breast band.	2;
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Describe the bird's calls or sounds, if heard; including method of delivery- i.e., from perch, in flight, etc.:	123 823
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List similar species and how you eliminated them: Small planers;	m labing
Semipalmated, Wilson's & Killdeers dark mud-brown ab	ove.
Only knowy Plaver is similar but has thin black bill, dark gray legs & partial breast bound as well as black face patch.	É
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Prior experience with this and similar species:	
I ve seen all small plovers severaltimes.	0.853
• This report was written from notes made during after observation; from mem	ory <u> </u>
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Describe in great detail the bird which you saw. Emphasize particularly the/field