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Location & Date: September 9th, 1992, Arapaho National Wildlife Refuge,
Jackson County.

Remarks: From a distance of apx 20 yds with a 30 x scope, I was able to view four juvenile short-billed Dowitchers. The feathers on the uppers were very neat, new appearing and were all buff-rufousy edged. There was no visible evidence of any molt in progress and consequently no basic feathers were evident. The tertials, greater wing coverts were noticeably edged and penetrated with a rufousy-buff color. The unders for the most part were all washed in a nice warm buff-rufous color tone. They all flew a short distance and landed in such a way that the tail of one was spread and clearly the white bars were wider than the dark. I watched them for apx 15 min. and they made no sound except once when in flight one gave the characteristic very fast tutututu sound.

Submitted by,

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