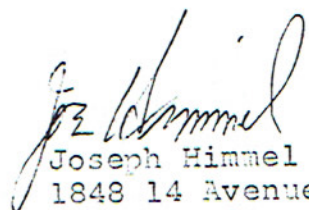


HUDSONIAN GODWIT (*Limosa haemastica*)

A single individual of this species was observed between 5:00 and 5:30 P.M. on May 10, 1992, at the inlet channel of Lower Latham Reservoir, which is on CR #48, east of LaSalle, in Weld County, Colorado. The bird was approximately twenty yards from the car, and was observed with 25x scope.

The bird is smaller, with a much slimmer profile (less chunky) than the Marbled Godwit. It has a long, slightly upturned, bi-colored bill. The basal half of the bill is of an orange shade. The head, upper neck and throat area are somewhat gray, and generally paler than the rest of the body. It shows a broad, white supercilliary stripe extending virtually to the base of the bill. Feathers on the back are almost black, with fine, buffy feather edging. Wing coverts are a solid gray. Breast and belly show a chestnut wash, with fine, transverse streaking. When preening, the white upper tail coverts are exposed. Remainder of the tail is black. When stretching the wing, a thin, white wingbar is shown. The underside of the wing was not clearly seen.

The site was revisited the next morning, but the bird was not to be seen. It was probably winging it's way over the Nebraska panhandle.


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