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Hugh Kingery told me that you might be interested in a couple of these photo's. So here goes...

I had what appeared to be an eastern form of a ~~Rufous~~ Rufous-sided Towhee in my yard Oct 31 - Nov 5, 1995 (photo's #2-#5). The bird appeared to be an adult male and was observed throughout the day during the dates given above. Unfortunately, I ~~never~~ never heard any vocalizations. Photo #1 shows a typical Rufous-sided towhee (Spotted form) that was hanging around at the same time (these guys nest in the yard). My house is located on 6 acres of typical foothills type vegetation (Ponderosa's, yucca's, etc.) at approx. 6100 ft. in elev. and approx. 3 miles NW. of Boulder, Co.

Photo's #6 & #7 are of what appeared to be a common Red poll visiting the feeder in my yard for only a single day (Nov 29, 1995) in the company of about 50 pine siskins.

In both instances I made the initial observation and my wife, Cathy, agreed with me (we were the only observers).

Neither of us have any previous experience with these 2 birds.

I also have slides if your interested.

I guess that's about it.

Thanks!

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P.S. - photo #8 - hey, I like evening
grackles!

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