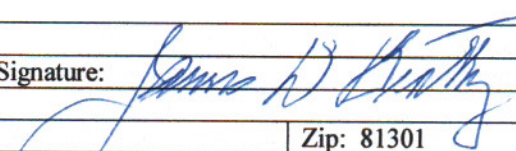


**Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form**  
(Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.)

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CBRC FILE #: 2002-38		
RESULTS: A		
Species: (Common Name) White-winged Dove		(Scientific Name) Zenaida asiatica
Date(s) of occurrence: April 17, 2002		
Number of birds seen: One	Sex: Unknown	Plumage: Adult
Exact location: CR215 about 100 yards south of Zink's Pond		
County: LaPlata	Nearest town: Durango	Elevation: 6500 ft
Length of observation: 2-3 minutes total		Time(s) of observation: 10:45 am
Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: None		
Other observers who independently saw the bird(s): Unknown, reported to local birders and Durango Bird Club		
Light conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s) and observers position: Partly cloudy; sun was to right of bird and high.		
Optical equipment used: B&L Elite 10x40		
Distance to bird(s) (estimated, unless otherwise noted): 50-75 ft		
Was (were) bird(s) photographed? No		If so, are you submitting photos? N/A
Who took the photograph(s)? N/A		
Describe the general and specific habitats in which the bird(s) occurred: First seen flying from edge of road; then seen flying from ground near road to tree about 75 ft away. Habit was arid road edge with short grasses and mixed sage, junipers, and pinyon pines.		
Describe the bird's (birds') behaviors, particularly behaviors that were used in supporting the identification, e.g., flying, feeding, habits: Bird was on ground at road edge, then flew to ground near road, then flew to tree as I approached.		
DESCRIPTION -- This is the most important part of this report. Include in these details the overall size and shape of the bird, how you placed the bird in the general group that you did, and give as many plumage details as possible, even including those that you feel might not have relevance to the specific identification. Bird was flushed from road edge by my car as I was slowly driving along road. It flew directly away from me and displayed prominent white wing stripes half way out the wings. White stripe was broad and diagonal on wing. It extended from the wing "wrist" inward toward the body. Outer wings beyond broad white stripes were dark gray to blackish. Bird was clearly a dove by size, shape, and flight. I identified it immediately. After parking the car, I returned to the area where the bird had landed and it flushed again from the sage and short grasses. I again got an excellent look at the wing pattern and also the tail, which was square (not pointed). The middle of the tail was grayish brown in the center and gray in the outer tail feathers with obvious broad white tips. After the bird landed in a tree about 75 ft away, I was able to view it in profile. The bird was slightly bulkier than a mourning dove and about the same color. The bill was dove-like and black. There was a black line under the eye. The eye appeared reddish, but the bird was in the shade. The white wing stripe showed prominently as a pure white lower edge to the folded wing all the way back to where the dark primaries extended behind the white stripe. The back and tail were slightly darker gray-brown in color than the upper part of the bird. The lower belly and vent were grayish. The white tips to the outer tail feathers showed with the bird perched.		
Describe the bird's (birds') call(s) and/or song(s), if noted: Not heard		
SIMILAR SPECIES -- This is another critical part of your report. Please discuss how you eliminated similar species from consideration: Wing and tail pattern dramatically different than similar mourning dove. Wing pattern different and body darker than Eurasian collared-dove, which has not yet shown up in Durango area.		
What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species? I have seen this bird many times in AZ. The wing pattern makes this bird unmistakable when viewed well at close range.		
List books, guides, recordings, or other sources consulted and how this influenced your identification (during and after observation): None for identification, although I checked Sibley, Peterson and Andrews and Righter to determine range and occurrence in southwest Colorado.		
This report was made from (check one) <input type="checkbox"/> notes made during observation <input type="checkbox"/> notes made after observation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> later from memory.		
Date and time of written report: April 17, 2002 at 10:20 pm		
Reporting observer: James D. Beatty		Signature: 
Reporting observer's address: 165 Twelve Point Buck Trail		
City: Durango	State: CO	Zip: 81301