

Species: Snowy Owl - *Nyctea scandiaco* A
Date: Mar 16, 1993 Time bird seen: 9:20 AM to 9:30 AM 27-12
Locality: 10 Miles West of New Raymer on a Snowfence - 1
of and Parallel to Co Highway 14
Optical equipment: 8X30 Nikon E Series W.A.
Number of birds seen: 1 Sex: ^{Probably} Immature Plumage: White with Black Spot
Light conditions: Cloudy but bright
Distance from bird: 15 yds
Describe the bird's overall behavior: Sat on Post + looked around
Turning only head

Other observers: Mike Spoon (an infrequent birder)

Describe in detail the bird which you saw. Emphasize particularly the field marks used to identify the bird. Include size, overall shape, plumage and color pattern, details on shape or size of bill, wings, and tail.

A very large white Owl with Black Spots (More on Back than Front), Some on top of head - large yellow eyes - Black beak - Wings $\frac{3}{4}$ of way down tail. Full Rounded Body - Finally Flew - wing beat somewhat similar to Shorteared Owl.

Describe the bird's calls or sounds, if heard; including methods of delivery -- i.e., from perch, in flight, etc.: No call heard

List similar species and how you eliminated them:

I don't know of any other bird that looks like this.

Prior experience with this and similar species:

1st Sighting
(See Shadi)

This report was written from notes made: during observation
immediately after observation ☒
from memory ☐

Signature:

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