

**RECORD #: 22-B-06**

IDAHO BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE  
RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

SPECIES:

Red- shouldered Hawk

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DATE REPORT PREPARED:

June 1, 2006

DATE SIGHTING OCCURRED:

May 31, 2006

LOCALITY OF OBSERVATION:

Mormon Reservoir-Camas County GPS available  
Spring Creek Area Broken Gate pond GPS available

HABITAT:

Sagebrush & riparian

CONDITIONS:

sun, moderate wind Mormon Lake - about 200 ft from bird  
Spring Creek Area about 600 ft from bird

DID YOU TAKE NOTES?:

Yes, later the same day

DID YOU CONSULT FIELD GUIDE OR OTHER REFERENCES?:

Yes, during the observation

WHAT GUIDE(S) OR REFERENCE(S) DID YOU CONSULT?:

Sibley's Guide to Birds Sibley, 2000 North American Raptors Wheeler & Clark 1996  
Hawks In Flight Dunne, Sibley, Sulton 1988  
Additional books consult

DESCRIPTION:

Buteos -overall color russet; MLB Underside of wing-edge of primaries black-white band red coming in on shoulder SCAB had the wing pattern of the RSH

BEHAVIOR:

MLB hunting and sitting on post seen for about 10 minutes  
SCAB chased by blackbirds and did a ritual with second bird seen for about 15 minutes

HOW AND WHEN DID YOU POSITIVELY IDENTIFY THE BIRD, AND WHAT CLINCHED THE IDENTIFICATION FOR YOU?

Robert wing pattern of RSH  
Betty photo showing red on shoulder  
wing span RTH 43-56 inches  
RSH 37-42 inches

HOW DID YOU ELIMINATE SIMILAR SPECIES, AND WHAT WERE THEY?

RTH no dark band on upper part of wings  
SWH no dark head & yellow spot above beak  
FH no enough white RLH not enough white & head wrong

EXPERIENCE WITH THIS SPECIES (AND SIMILAR SPECIES):

Saw RSH last month at Pahranaagat NWR several times seen at Salton Sea & other parts of CA

GENERAL BIRDING EXPERIENCE:

moderate to good birded west coast for about 10 years bird counts at PWR for 3 years Census count portions of Camas County last fall & this spring

WERE PHOTO(S), VIDEO, AND/OR AUDIO OBTAINED BY YOU?:

Photo