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EMAIL MESSAGE TO IBLE, dated May 31, 2006

We did a bird census count today in Camas County. At Mormon Reservoir we saw an unusual hawk. It had white streaks on both wings and the end of the wings were black. When it flew it has white v-shape on both wings. Our first thought was red-shouldered; but knowing that are not found in that area; we didn't believe it. Luck was with us and Bob got a few photos of the bird on a pole. We continue on our route and at Spring Creek area, we saw a hawk being chased by blackbirds and soon another joined it. Again the wing pattern of the red-shouldered Hawk was seen. Often when we have seen this hawk in Nevada and Eastern CA the birds are being harass by crows or blackbirds. The birds were in sage habitat similar to the area at Pahrnagat NWR. I would attach photos to this report; but Yahoo will strip them. I will made a full report sometime this weekend to the Rare bird report. On the photos of the bird at Mormon Reservoir you can see the red shoulder. Birds overall color was russet. We rule out red-tailed, Swainson & Ferruginous Hawks that are normally in the area.

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You dead, dead right as you sped along; but just as dead if you had been wrong.

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