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Rare Bird Documentation

1 message

Tue, Jun 23, 2015 at 10:01 AM

To: iorcommittee@gmail.com, [REDACTED]

- 1) Reason for documentation: Unusual species
- 2) Species: American white ibis (*Eudocimus albus*)
- 3) Number of birds: 1
- 4) Age/Sex/Plumage: adult/unkown
- 5) Date: 14 May 2011
- 6) Location: Stidham Marsh, Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve, Champaign County
- 7) Observers: Robert Kanter
- 8) Your name: Robert Kanter
- 9) Mailing address: [REDACTED]
- 10) E-mail address: [REDACTED]
- 11) Others agreeing with the identification: N.A.
- 12) Others not agreeing with the identification: N.A.
- 13) Description of bird: see photographs
- 14) Description of behaviour: Foraging in shallow water.
- 15) Description of vocalizations: None observed.
- 16) Description of habitat: Small marsh
- 17) Optical equipment used: 8x binoculars
- 18) Distance/how measured: 100 feet (guess)
- 19) Time of observation: 4:45 - 5:00pm
- 20) Total time of observation: 15 minutes
- 21) Weather conditions: Light rain falling
- 22) Previous experience: Observed often in Florida, etc.
- 23) How were similar species eliminated? N.A. don't know of any possibilities

24) Were photos taken? Yes

25) Photographer's name: Robert Kanter

26) Books consulted, advice received: Friend Greg Lambeth, phone consultation:

Me: Greg, I'm at Lake of the Woods and I'm looking at a white ibis. Is this possible

Greg: It's raining ibises in Champaign County!

A white-faced ibis was observed on the South Farms of the U of I campus in Urbana in the days before and after this.

27) Length of time after field notes were recorded: N.A.

28) Length of time after this form was completed: 4 + years

29) Additional remarks: Photos forwarded to Geoff Williamson, IORC Secretary, at time of reporting, which is done at his suggestion.