

Bird Studies Canada/ Long Point Bird Observatory

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RARITY REPORT

In order that any sight record or banding of a rare species can be accepted for the historical record, it must be properly documented. LPBO co-operators are therefore asked to complete a form in every case where a rarity is being claimed. Guidance as to which species are considered rare in the Long Point area may be obtained from the Landbirds Program Manager. Each observer should prepare his/her description independently and preferably before consulting any field guides or other literature. PLEASE PRINT.

Species claimed: Townsend's Solitaire

No. of birds: 1 **Age:** Hatch-year (by plumage and skull pneunitization) **Sex:** M (probable male by wing length.

Date(s): October 18 to 26, 2007

Place: Eastern Tip of Long Point.

Time(s) of Observation: 15:00

Who first saw the bird(s): Stu Mackenzie

Who first identified it: Stu Mackenzie

Other observers (names and addresses):

Ross Wood and Zach Kaiser c/o LPBO.

Any who disagree: No

Your previous experience with the species: Have observed the species in western Canada.

Your previous experience with any closely similar species:

(a) Formerly: n/a

(b) Same day: n/a

Species present for comparison: Eastern Bluebird

Which were beside it for comparison: n/a

Distance from observer(s): 0 m

How measured:

Optical aids used:

Weather conditions (at time of observation)**Visibility:** clear**Cloud Cover:** 5/10**Lighting:** good**Wind direction and speed:** light SW**Other relevant conditions:**
(eg. rain, snow cover, etc.)**For "Waterbird " records only****Lake conditions:****Wave height:****Height of observer above lake:****Was observer's position sheltered:**

Weather system preceding the date of observation (if known): unknown

Attach weather map clipping from local or national newspaper if relevant.

Associated movements of other species:

Was the bird trapped: yes**Band # if banded:** yes**Was it photographed:** yes**If yes, by whom (name and address):** Zach Kaiser and Stu Mackenzie c/o LPBO.**Specimen or parts preserved:****Present location:**

Circumstances:

The bird was first observed about 1 km west of the eastern Tip of Long Point sitting atop a cottonwood tree occasionally swooping near the ground to catch insects. It was captured near the Tip about 1 hour later.

Description:

Give separate description for (a) in the field (b) in the hand. Include full measurements and wing formula with hand descriptions.

Band number: 2261-63962

Age: HY

Sex: M

Wing:114

Weight:34.3g

Fat:2





Did you refer to any guides/other literature:

(a) at the time: Pyle (1997).

(b) afterwards: no

Finally, is this record 100% certain? yes

Signed:

Handwritten signature of Stuart Mackenzie in cursive.

Date:

Feb 20, 2010

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