

Species: BROWN THRASHER

Record No. 705 - 75 - 15

Location: HQ MALHEUR NWR, HARNEY CO.

Date(s): OCTOBER 31, 1974 - APRIL 15, 1975

Observers	details	slides	prints	tapes
<u>BILL TWEIT</u>	<u>A</u>			

Specimen no. & location _____

Accepted 9-0
 verified _____
 Single rept. sighting ✓
 Multiple rept. sighting _____

Not accepted _____
 origin questionable _____
 exotic not estab. _____

Records split _____

Records combined _____

Disposition

Secretary's File
 Main File A
 Slide File _____
 Print File _____
 Tape File _____

Duplicate File
 details A
 slides _____
 prints _____
 tapes _____

Date observer(s) notified: 11-6-93

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1975

BROWN THRASHER

APRIL 12

HEADQUARTERS, MALHEUR NWR, HARNEY CO, ORE.

AT 1320 WHILE HUNTING BUTTERFLIES, I SAW A RELATIVELY LARGE BIRD (1½ SIZE OF TOWHEE) WITH A UNIFORMLY RUFIOUS NAPE, BACK, WINGS AND TAIL FLY BY ME LOW OVER THE GROUND AND DISAPPEAR THROUGH SOME ORNAMENTAL EVERGREENS. I WAS IMPRESSED BY THE COLOR, THE SKULMING MANNER OF FLIGHT AND THE PUMPING OF THE LONG TAIL. IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT I HAD SEEN A BROWN THRASHER, BUT IT COULD NOT BE RELOCATED. IN CONVERSATION LATER WITH CARROLL LITTLEFIELD, I LEARNED THAT IT HAD BEEN PRESENT SINCE OCTOBER 31, 1974.

APRIL 15

HEADQUARTERS, MALHEUR NWR, HARNEY CO, ORE.

I HAD A MUCH BETTER LOOK AT THE BIRD TODAY AS IT FED IN THE OPEN. COULD SEE QUITE CLEARLY A DARK, DECURVED BILL THE LENGTH OF THE HEAD, LIGHT IRIS, RUFIOUS CROWN CONTRASTING WITH WHITE CHEEKS, SHARP BLACK STREAKS ON WHITE UPPER BREAST TO LOWER BELLY AND TEND MODERATE WHITE WING BARS. IT'S FEEDING POSTURE WAS LOW TO THE GROUND, AND IT TENDED TO HOP.