

Species: LEAST FLYCATCHER  
Record No. 467-83-08

Location: HOLIDAY ST. PK., GRANT CO.  
Date(s): APRIL 4, 1983

Observers	details	slides	prints	tapes
<u>OWEN</u> <u>SCHMIDT</u>	<u>A</u>			

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Date observer(s) notified: MARCH 27, 1985

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LEAST FLYCATCHER

July 4, 1983

Clyde Holliday State Wayside, Grant Co., Oregon

Observers: Jeff Gilligan, Owen Schmidt

Birding in the general area of John Day, Jeff Gilligan and I stopped at Clyde Holliday which is a usual birding stop in the area. We located a small flycatcher along the banks of the John Day River at the Wayside. It was feeding a fledgling Brown-headed Cowbird about twice as large as itself. We identified it as a Least Flycatcher on these field marks:

- Small empidonax, whiteish underparts, shortish tail, olive tinge to back, big-headed, short broad bill pale below, very large whitish wingbars. Typical Least Flycatcher in every respect.

- Call a "che-bek, che-bek" with a short, hard, emphasized second syllable.

The call was not the typical full territorial call, but a weaker call given, we presume, to locate the nestling after it had fallen into the river and washed downstream. Still it was the unmistakable "che-bek" of a Least Flycatcher.

The fact that the bird was feeding a cowbird just out of the nest would confirm nesting attempts.

By now we have seen Least Flycatcher in Oregon on a number of occasions and have recorded the voice of one in 1981 at the same spot.



Owen Schmidt  
Reporting observer