

Species: TROPICAL KINGBIRD

Record No. 446-99-28

Location: PISTOL RIVER

County: CURRY

Date(s): NOVEMBER 13, 20, 1999

Reporters	details	slides	prints	tapes
<u>DON MUNSON</u>	<u>A</u>			

Specimen no. & location \_\_\_\_\_  
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Not accepted \_\_\_\_\_

verified \_\_\_\_\_

origin questionable \_\_\_\_\_

Single rept. sighting ✓ \_\_\_\_\_

exotic not estab. \_\_\_\_\_

Multiple rept. sighting \_\_\_\_\_

NOT VOCAL

Records split \_\_\_\_\_

Records combined \_\_\_\_\_

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Date reporter(s) notified: 5-6-03

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## Rare Bird Report

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Tropical Kingbird 1 individual

Date of Observation: Nov. 13 & 20, 1999

### Location & Habitat:

Pistol River, Curry County, Oregon  
DeLorme Oregon Atlas Gazetteer, First Edition Second  
Printing, page 17, (B-1)  
Pistol River Estuary, pastureland with patches of blackberry  
vines and scattered spruce trees

### Details:

Compared to the familiar Western Kingbird, which is more common to the area, the observed bird had a longer, thicker bill, moderately dark face/ear patch, yellow underparts extending higher on the breast and fading to gray at the throat. The notched tail was all brown with no sign of white outer retrices. The back was grayish green. There was no vocalization. The bird alternated flycatching and resting. The flycatching was from the top of a spruce tree and from barbwire fence.

### Identification:

The field marks mentioned above eliminated the other possible kingbird species. I have seen this species on several occasions as there have been numerous sightings along the south coast in recent years. Field guide used was National Geographic.

### Circumstances & conditions:

Both sightings were late morning with clear skies, light winds and sun behind observer. The bird was observed for about 15 minutes from as close as 100 feet, using a 32 X scope.

Other observer, Ken Goldwater, 1105 Rowland, Brookings, OR97415

No photos were obtained.