

**CHRISTMAS BIRD COUNT RARE BIRD DOCUMENTATION FORM**

1. Species \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ If known

2. Date (s) of Observation \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

3. Place \_\_\_\_\_

4. Observer \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone/fax/E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

5. Observation Details:

Other Observers \_\_\_\_\_

Optics \_\_\_\_\_

Distance from bird \_\_\_\_\_ Viewing Conditions \_\_\_\_\_

Weather, sky cover \_\_\_\_\_

Photo taken? \_\_\_\_\_ Video? \_\_\_\_\_ Sound Recording? \_\_\_\_\_ Specimen? \_\_\_\_\_

6. Past Experience: With this or similar species?

7. References or advice consulted:

8. Was this report done from notes made during or after observation, or from memory?

9. **On the back of this form** give complete details of this observation. Use additional sheets as needed. Include information on the birds plumage, shape, size, vocalizations, habitat, behavior, etc. Describe exactly what you saw; include photocopies of your original notes and sketches. Name the species that you considered ID contenders; explain how you eliminated them.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND US PHOTOS IF THEY WERE TAKEN.. .THANKS!**