

CBC RARE BIRD DOCUMENTATION FORM

Submitted as documentation of (check all that apply):

 x Unusual Species Unusual Date Unusual Habitat

MOST IMPORTANT: On back of form give complete details of this observation. Use additional sheets as needed. Include information on the bird's 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.

Count Area: Silver City, NM Count circle

Species - *Melanerpes lewis*, Lewis's Woodpecker **Age:** Adult **Sex:** **Number:**
one

4. **Date(s) of Observation:** Dec. 19, 2015 **Time:** approximately 0930, again at 1130

5. **Place:** Sanctuary Rd. GPS [HYPERLINK "javascript:void\(0\)" 32.839937, -108.212364](#)
Nearest Town: Silver City **County:** Grant County

6. **Observer:** Karen Blisard

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7. **Observation Details:**

Other Observers:

Optics Used: Swarovski binoculars 10x42

Distance From Bird: 50 yds

Viewing Conditions: Clear and unobstructed

Weather, sky cover: overcast

Photo Taken? No **Video?** No **Sound Recording?** No **Specimen?** NO

Past Experience: With this or similar species?

References or Advice Consulted: Sibley guide to birds of Western N Am

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

Signature Karen S. Blisard PhD MD

Date 12/19/2015

Description: (use additional pages as needed)

Lewis's Woodpecker. Seen on top of an electrical pole on Sanctuary Road near the cattle tanks in the valley. Large bird, long sharp bill, dark green with red head, white neck stripe, rose wash on breast. We were able to watch him for at least 5 minutes