Red-headed Woodpecker - Cluster Documentation Form

The purpose of this form is to document the existence and location of breeding Red-headed Woodpecker clusters in Minnesota. While there are numbers of individual sightings of these birds across the state, there are very few groupings or 'clusters' where three or more families of woodpeckers exist in relatively close proximity. Red-headed Woodpeckers are very territorial, but also have specific habitat needs, so where there is good habitat we may find scattered families of woodpeckers.

Please return to: Red-headed Woodpecker Recovery \ Audubon Chapter of Minneapolis \ P.O. 3801 \ Minneapolis, MN  55403

Or email: chetmeyers@visi.com

Date observed ______
Observer(s) ________________________________________________________
Address _____________________________________________________________
Phone ___________________  Email ________________________________

Location and Directions

County _____________________________________________________________
Description (nearest town, road intersection, GPS bearings) ____________________________

Observations

Number of woodpeckers observed ________ Length of time observed _________________

Evidence of nesting woodpecker pairs - ”X” all that apply.

☐ 3 or more pairs observed in suitable breeding habitat during the breeding season

☐ displaying or defending territory before breeding  ☐ courtship copulation and/or display

☐ birds seen entering/leaving probable nesting cavity  ☐ birds seen carrying food to cavity

☐ birds seen carrying fecal sacs from cavity  ☐ adults feeding recently fledged young

☐ first-year plumage young seen near adults  ☐ family group seen feeding together

Brief description of habitat where cluster was found and other appropriate details:

If nest holes were found, brief description: type of tree and location of hole (height from ground)

Please include any photos of nest trees (circle nest hole location) and wide angle shots of habitat.

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