Use this form to provide additional documentation for records of rare breeding species, and of species found in unusual habitats or at unusual times of year (e.g., nesting outside of the safe dates for the species). Please use a separate form for each record.

**Observer:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Send to:** Connecticut Bird Atlas, c/o Chris Elphick, Ecology & Evolutionary Biology,   
University of Connecticut, 75 North Eagleville Road, Unit 3043, Storrs, CT 06269-3043

Or email: [chris.elphick@uconn.edu](mailto:chris.elphick@uconn.edu) (subject: CT Bird Atlas rare report)

**Species:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Date of observation:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Block number:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Latitude:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Longitude:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_   
(decimal degrees preferred; instructions for obtaining this information from Google Maps are given on the atlas web site; alternatively, mark the location on a paper map and attach to this form):

**Other observers:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the following information on a separate page, attached to this document.

**Physical description as observed in the field.** Include details of size (relative to nearby or common species), shape, bill structure, color of plumage and bare parts, etc. Sketches (even rudimentary ones) and/or photos are especially helpful.

**Behavior.** What was the bird doing? Did it fly or walk in a particular way? Was it out in the open or hiding in vegetation? Did it interact with other species?

**Vocalizations.** Please describe any calls or songs and the circumstances under which they were given (in flight, from perch, in response to other birds, etc.).

**What habitat was the bird seen in?**

**What were the viewing conditions?** Include information on your distance from the bird, optics used, weather, how easy the bird was to observe, etc.

**How did you rule out similar species?**

**Breeding evidence?** If you observed breeding behavior, please describe what you saw and explain why you assigned a particular breeding code.