BAIKAL TEAL Anas formosa

non-breeding visitor, vagrant

monotypic

This species breeds in e. Russia from Lake Baikal to Kamchatka, withdrawing in winter to e. China, Japan, and rarely south to SE Asia (Dement'ev and Gladkov 1952, AOU 1998). It occurs occasionally in w. Alaska and the Aleutians and has been recorded in fall and winter on the Pacific coast of N America S to s. California (AOU 1998, CBRC 2007). Other records in N America and Europe are of birds likely escaped from captivity. One adult male reached the Hawaiian Islands, at Hanalei NWR, *Kaua'i* 9 Dec 2002–1 Mar 2003 (HRBP 5004-5005, 5134; published Engilis et al. 2004 and *NAB* 57:288). It was elusive, moving frequently among favored ponds in the refuge and perhaps elsewhere. Nine were also reportedly introduced by HBAF to Hawai'i I in Sep 1933 (HBAF unpublished list) but, if correct, none were encountered after release.

Acronyms and Abbreviations

Literature cited

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