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Abstract. The author present record of *Porzana carolina*, or Sora in wetland of Aruba, Caribbean 17 and 26.11.2013. A rare video and photo record of this species in this region.

The Sora (*Porzana carolina*) is a small bird of Rallidae family which large range from Alaska, Canada, several states in USA, Central America, North of South America and Caribbean (TAYLOR,1998).

More specifically: native in Anguilla; Antigua and Barbuda; Aruba; Bahamas; Barbados; Belize; Bermuda; Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba; Canada; Cayman Islands; Colombia; Costa Rica; Cuba; Curaçao; Dominica; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; El Salvador; Grenada; Guatemala; Guyana; Haiti; Honduras; Jamaica; Martinique; Mexico; Montserrat; Nicaragua; Panama; Peru; Puerto Rico; Saint Kitts and Nevis; Saint Lucia; Saint Pierre and Miquelon; Saint Vincent and the Grenadines; Sint Maarten (Dutch part); Trinidad and Tobago; Turks and Caicos Islands; United States; Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of; Virgin Islands, British; Virgin Islands, U.S. Vagrant in France; Greenland; Guadeloupe; Ireland; Morocco; Portugal; Saint Martin (French part); Spain; Sweden; United Kingdom (IUCN 2013). It is a migratory species.

Porzana carolina lives near water (freshwater) of lakes, lagoons, ponds and open marshes and wetlands (TAYLOR,1998)

As a result of studies and surveys conducted on the Aruba island, from November 2010 (PROGRAM AMBIENTAL: A ÚLTIMA ARCA DE NOÉ, 2013), on 17 and 26 November, 2013, in the morning, the author observed and recorded by photo (below) and video (IBC, 2013) an individual *Porzana carolina* feeding on the lagoon of Bubali Bird Sanctuary (12°33 '41.56 " S/70°02'54.09"W).



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Despite its relatively large range records of *Porzana carolina* with documents (photos, videos) in the wetlands of Aruba, can helping more knowledge of this species and its protection.

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Bubali Bird Sanctuary, Aruba, Caribbean, 26.11.2013.