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Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form

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Rec'd 1/7/03

CBRC FILE #: 2004-4

RESULTS: Accepted

Print this page and then fill out. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.

Species (please include common and scientific names): Varied Thrush, *Ixoreus naevius*

Date(s) of Observation: 1-1-03, 1-05-03

Number of birds seen: 1

Sex: Female

Plumage:

Exact location: 6225 Ridgeview Lane, Fort Collins, CO (2 miles east of I-25, ½ mile north of Hwy 14)

County: Larimer

Nearest town: Fort Collins

Elevation: Approximately 5,000 ft.

Length of observation: 45 minutes on 1-1-03; 1 hour on 1-5-03 Time(s) of observation: 11:15 am – 11:30 am, 2:00 pm – 2:30 pm on 1-1-03; 8:00 am – 9:00 am on 1-5-03

Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: Nancy Bell, Charles Bell, Nick Komar

Other observers who independently saw the bird(s): none

Light conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s) and observer(s) position):

Very good lighting, sunny on 1-1-03, slightly overcast but still good daylight on 1-5-03

fill out this portion even if photos are accompanying your report. We welcome attachments of additional sheets of description, drawings, field sketches, or copies of field notes.

Robin sized and shaped, orange throat, gray breast band, orange breast, orange eye brow line, dark grayish head and back, 2 orange wing bars, gray smudgy flanks.
Decided this bird was a female since the breast band was gray, not black.

Describe the bird's (birds') call(s) and/or song(s), if noted:

SIMILAR SPECIES -- This is another critical part of your report. Please discuss how you eliminated similar species from consideration.

Eliminated Robin; Robin does not have an orange throat, does not have a gray breast band, does not have an orange eye brow line, does not have 2 orange wing bars, does not have gray smudgy flanks

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?

I have observed Varied Thrushes along the Pacific coast. I also observed the Varied Thrush that was at Crow Valley, Colorado.

List books, guides, recordings, or other sources consulted and how this influenced your
identification (during and after observation):

National Geographic Field Guide to the Birds of North America, Third Edition. Helped to confirm the sex of the bird.

This report is from notes made from (check one) ☒ noted made during observation
☐ noted made after observation ☐ later from memory.

Date and time of written report: 1-5-03, 9:59 am

Reporting observer: Nancy Bell

Signature: *Nancy Bell*

Address: 6225 Ridgeview Lane, Fort Collins, CO 80524

Send report to: Colorado Birds Record Committee, Tony Leukering, PO Box 660,
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