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(PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. ATTACH PHOTOGRAPHS, DRAWINGS AND ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NECESSARY)

SPECIES: HERMIT WARBLER DENDROICA OCCIDENTALIS
(Common Name) (Scientific Name)DATE(S) OF OBSERVATION: MAY 17, 1999NUMBER OF BIRDS SEEN: 1 SEX: MALE PLUMAGE: BREEDINGEXACT LOCATION: JIM HAMM PARK, NEAR UNION RESERVOIRCOUNTY: BOULDER NEAREST TOWN: LOVELAND ELEVATION: 5200'LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 30 MINUTES TIME(S) OF OBSERVATION: 6:30 - 7pmOTHER OBSERVERS WHO SAW THE BIRD(S) WITH YOU: JOANIE KLEYPAS, LYNN SOLOMON,OTHER OBSERVERS WHO INDEPENDENTLY SAW THE BIRD(S): D W KING, BILL PRATHER.

LIGHT CONDITIONS (QUALITY; DIRECTION RELATIVE TO BIRD(S); POSITION):

LATE SUNSHINE, WITH GOOD LIGHT CONDITIONSOPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED: 10x40 BINOCULARSDISTANCE FROM BIRD (ESTIMATED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED): CLOSEST 10 FEETWAS BIRD PHOTOGRAPHED? IF SO, HAVE YOU SUBMITTED PHOTOS? WHO TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPHS?

DESCRIBE THE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC HABITAT IN WHICH THE BIRD(S) OCCURRED:

IN MEDIUM SIZED TREES THAT SURROUND JIM HAMM POND ON EAST & NORTH.

DESCRIBE THE BIRD'S BEHAVIOR (FLYING; FEEDING; HABITS; BEHAVIORS USED IN IDENTIFYING THE SPECIES OR IN SUPPORTING THE IDENTIFICATION):

GLEANNING FOR FOOD FROM BRANCHES AND LEAVES, OCCASIONAL FLYCATCHING.

DESCRIBE THE BIRD IN DETAIL. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THIS REPORT. INCLUDE THE OVERALL SIZE AND SHAPE AND HOW YOU PLACED THE BIRD IN THE GENERAL GROUP THAT YOU DID. GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF PLUMAGE, INCLUDING HEAD, THROAT, UNDERSIDES, NAPE, BACK, WINGS AND TAIL. GIVE PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO MARKS YOU USED TO IDENTIFY THE BIRD(S). DESCRIBE OTHER DETAILS, SUCH AS COLOR AND SHAPE OF BILL, LEGS, EYE, ETC. THAT WERE IMPORTANT IN MAKING THE IDENTIFICATION. (FILL OUT THIS PORTION EVEN IF PHOTOGRAPHS ARE SUBMITTED; YOU MAY ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, DRAWINGS, FIELD SKETCHES OR COPY OF FIELD NOTES):

THE SIDES OF THE HEAD AND FORECROWN WERE BRIGHT YELLOW, BROKEN ONLY BY A PROMINENT BLACK EYE, THE CHIN AND THROAT WERE BLACK. THE UPPERPARTS WERE DARK, WITH 2 VERY PROMINENT WINGBARS. THE BELLY TO UNDERTAIL WAS WHITE, AND THE BILL AND LEGS WERE DARK. AT VERY CLOSE RANGE, I OBSERVED OBSCURE STREAKING ON THE UPPER BACK. BY THE WAY, THE BIRD WAS TYPICAL WARBLER SIZE, SIMILAR TO NEARBY YELLOW-RUMPS. DESCRIBE BIRD'S CALL OR SONG: NONE GIVEN

DISCUSS SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW YOU ELIMINATED THEM:

GOLDEN-CHEEKED WARBLER - NO LINE THROUGH EYE, LESS EXTENSIVE BLACK THROAT AND NO STREAKING ON THE FLANKS.

BLACK-THROATED GREEN W. - DARK, NOT GREEN, BACK, NO EAR PATCH, NO STREAKING

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER - NO EAR PATCH, NO FLANK STREAKING, BACK AND BELLY COLOR.

WHAT IS YOUR PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILARLY APPEARING SPECIES?

SEEN ONCE BEFORE IN COLORADO AND SEVERAL TIMES ON THE WEST COAST. SEEN

GOLDEN-CHEEKED ONCE, AND THE OTHER WARBLERS MANY TIMES.

LIST BOOKS, GUIDES, RECORDINGS OR OTHER SOURCES CONSULTED AND HOW THIS INFLUENCED YOUR IDENTIFICATION (DURING AND AFTER OBSERVATION):

NONE USED DURING OBSERVATION - CHECKED NAT. GEOGRAPHIC GUIDE AFTERWARDS.

THIS REPORT WAS MADE FROM NOTES MADE DURING _____ OR AFTER ☒ OBSERVATION, OR LATER FROM MEMORY _____.

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