

☒ RARE OR UNUSUAL RECORD☐ NEW STATE RECORD☒ ACCEPTED☐ REJECTED 9/28/5/75Species: EASTERN WOOD PEWEEContopus virens

(Vernacular Name)

(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): 24 May 1975 Time Bird Seen: 1080 to 1035Locality: Julesburg Way side ParkNearest Town: Julesburg County: Sedgewick

Other observers who independently identified this bird:

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

Optical Equipment: 10X52 Bushnell Sportview

If photographed, type of equipment used:

Light Conditions: GoodDistance from bird (how measured): 10-15 ft EstimatedNumber of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: Unkn Plumage: Spring (?)

Describe the bird's overall behavior and demeanor:

Bird was observed in shrub willows. Sitting upright, flycatcher style, nervous flew as I approached. I chased the bird around the small patch of shrub willows to get a good look at the bird. It finally flew to a group of larger trees and was lost. Bird did not appear to leave the shrub willows willingly.

Describe in great detail the bird's size, overall shape, plumage and color-pattern.

Include details on shape of bill, wings and tail. Give particular emphasis to the marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance in field guide descriptions is not enough. Describe what you actually saw in the field:

Bird was about 5-5½ inches long, slightly larger than warblers. Head shape, erect posture immediately denoted a flycatcher. No Eyering ruled out Empidonax. Wing bars and sized indicated Wood Pewee.

Back and Head Gray with Brownish hint. Head did not exactly match back color, but did not contrast with back. Wing bars were white, but not really bold. Bill flycatcher like; not seen well. Breast light (lighter than western wood peewees seen this year but this is subjective and an impression).

Bird identified by call.

(OVER)

Describe the bird's song or call, if heard, including method of delivery, i.e., from perch, in flight, etc:

Call heard as bird flew first time.

call was chip, pee-a-wee, a slurred down call followed by pee-a-wee. 3 three syllabled whistled call.

Describe the habitat in which you observed this bird:

Riverbottom, Cottonwoods and willows, seen in shrub willow 5-6 ft tall.

How were similarly appearing species eliminated?

by call of bird.

Prior experience with this and similarly appearing species:

life bird. Have seen Western Wood Pewee many times.

I am not good at call notes, but checking on flycatcher calls on the Western Bird Songs Records, no calls were similar to Eastern Wood Pewee.

Books, illustrations and advice consulted and how did these influence this documentation.

consulted Robbins and Petersons Eastern Guide and Western Bird Calls Records. Used to check for similar calls.

This report was written from notes made during _____ after ☒ observation; from memory _____

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