

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

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Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.

Species: Blue-winged Warbler / Vermivora pinus
(Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)Date(s): 9/19/90Number of birds seen: 1 Sex: M Plumage: adultLatilong: 12 Distribution Code: _____ Habitat Code: _____Locality: Barr Lake State Park Elevation: 5000'Nearest town: Brighton County: AdamsTime(s) observed: 10 - 11 am (1st time 2 minutes, second 10 minutes)Duration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 12 minutes total

Other observers who saw the bird with you (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

I found, got 2 other good birders to see 1/2 hour later

Other observers who saw the bird independently (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

Ives Hanna (Evergreen), Mike Carter (Colorado Bird Observatory)

Light conditions (position of bird to light and shade, direction and strength of light):

Bright morning sunOptical equipment used (e.g. power, types): Bushnell 10x40 CustomDistance and how measured: as close as 20'If photographed, type of equipment and film: Did not have camera alongWho else photographed the bird: None

Describe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying):

Foraging, usually low, with large mixed flock including Chickadees, Kinglets, nuthatches, warblers

Describe in detail the bird's relative size, overall shape, plumage and color pattern. Include details of bill, wing and tail shape. Give particular emphasis to marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance to field guide descriptions and illustrations is not enough. Describe only what you actually observed in the field:

I was banding birds at Barr Lake, and between wet checks, walked along path. Wilson's warblers were abundant, and at first glance, the very

Description (continued): yellow breast (implying ^{belly} ♂) led to thinking it was a
Wilson's. However, wingbars were evident on blue-gray wings. They were
white, + upper one was spotted. Bill was narrow, not hooked like on a vireo.

There was a dark line going through eye from bill to behind eye. Undertail coverts were
white, unlike many bright yellow warblers. Angles seen did not allow view of tail spots
Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery,
(i.e. from perch, in flight, duration):

Silent

Describe the general and specific habitat in which you observed the bird:

Peachleaf willows - foraged at low to medium height - 5'-20' above
ground.

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

needle-like bill eliminates vireos, goldfinches. Wingbars eliminate other Vermivoras,
Canada Warbler
White UT coverts - eliminate sparrows, orange-crowned, Virginias, etc. Plain face eliminates Dendroica
(most)

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

Seen previously in Colorado (2 times), Texas, Indiana

List books, illustration, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how this influenced your identification:

a) At time of observation: Did not use book

b) After observation: looked at standard guides

This report was written from reports made during , after
observation , from memory ✓

Date and time report was written: 2/24/90

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