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Species: YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER

Dendroica dominica

(Vernacular Name)

(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): May 1, 1974

Time Bird Seen: 6:15 A.M. to 6:30 A.M. - MDT

Locality: Along the South Platte River at the Waterton bridge (Jefferson County)

Nearest Town: Littleton

County: Jefferson County

Other observers who identified this bird:

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Optical Equipment: 10X50 Binoculars

Light Conditions: About 20 minutes after dawn; no direct sunlight; however, light adequate

Distance from Bird (how measured): Directly overhead from 15 feet to 30 feet; estimated.

Number of Birds Seen: One Sex: Unknown Plumage: Breeding

Overall Appearance and Size: Typical warbler in shape and size. Yellow throat very obvious as well as black "side-burns" and white ear spot. Bill, small and thin and pointed, un-Vireo like. White eye line. Unmarked gray back; Striped sides (flanks).

Detailed Description (describe only what was actually observed in the field):

Bill (shape and color): Small, thin and pointed; appeared dark in color.

Legs (shape and color): Not noted.

Crown and Forehead: Dark gray to black.

Nape: Dark grayish Face: Side-burns, white ear-patch. Eye (color): Dark

Breast and Sides: White, sides heavily marked with black streaking.

Belly and Flanks: White, black streaking continuing well into flank areas.

Undertail Coverts: White

Back: Fairly dark gray; unmarked with black streaking.

Wings: Blackish. Two prominent white wing bars.

Underwings: Not noted.

Rump: Dark grayish.

Uppertail Coverts: Not noted.

Upper Side of Tail: Dark grayish.

Under Side of Tail: Not noted.

Shape of Tail: Slightly notched.

Voice: Silent (unfortunately)

Behavior: Very warbler-like in movements, feeding out and along branches in somewhat of a creeping motion, occasionally flitting to a higher or lower branch.

Habitat: River bottom edged with deciduous trees near foothills.

Prior Experience with this Species: Have seen on numerous visits to South Carolina over the past twenty years, particularly at Huntington Beach State Park, Georgetown County.

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? The only closely appearing species to be eliminated would be the Grace's Warbler which has a yellowish eye-line and yellow throat, but lacks prominent "side-burns" and white ear-patch. Also, Grace's Warbler has thinly striped back. Overall coloration not as pronounced as in "dominica".

This Report was Written From: Notes made during X after observation; Memory

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