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COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

NEW STATE RECORD ☐UNUSUAL RECORD ☒

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

Species: Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
(Vernacular Name)Tyrannus forficatus
(Scientific Name)Date(s): September 19, 1987Number of birds seen: 1 Sex: M Plumage: AdultLocality: 6 mile east of intersection of CR19 and CR70 Elevation: approx 5000'Nearest town: La Porte County: LarimerTime(s) observed: 2:30 - 2:45 P.M. and 3:15 to 3:30 P.M.Duration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 30 minutes

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

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

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

bright daylightOptical equipment used (e.g. power, types): Bausch & Lomb 9x36 binocularsDistance, and how measured: From the ground to the telephone/electrical wireIf photographed, type of equipment and film: Nikon FM camera - Nikkor Zoom lens
35/135mm F 3.5 - F 4.5, Kodak 1000 color filmWho else photographed the bird? Dave Leatherman

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

Sat on the line, occasionally flying out and back in a flycatching manner. The tail scissored in flight. Caught bugs and ate them.

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 observe in the field:

Light grey head. Salmon pink sides and also appeared pink underneath close to tail. Otherwise whitish undersides. Wing dark with light marks - not really bars. Long tail with black tip. Black line along inside of scissor and then light color next to it. Black bill. Looked black from bill up +

