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Species reported Canada Warbler *Wilsonia canadensis*
 Reporter Mary Alice Root
 Address 1108 Columbia NW, Albuquerque NM 87106
 Other observers Dana Root Hansen, Ross Hansen
 Date/time of record Sunday September 3, 1989 about 10:00 AM
 Locality 1916 Osage St. Ft. Collins CO 80524
 Habitat Secluded area in grassy backyard
 Conditions (e.g. weather, lighting) clear sunny day; bird was in ^{partial} shade

Optical aids None

How long was bird(s) observed? 3-4 minutes

How far away was bird(s)? 7-9 ft

Size and shape of bird Small, warbler-shaped bird, i.e. small bill, delicate built - slim head and body

Description of bird(s), including overall coloration (upper and under parts, wings, tail, etc.), and any patterning (on head, under parts, wings, tail, etc.)

Head, back and tail dark gray, no wing bars. No yellow on side of head but ^{with} obvious yellow forehead mark that seemed to be in front and above the eye. Underparts yellow with dark gray necklace (we were looking ^{sort of} down on the bird from inside the back screen door)

What was bird(s) doing? bathing in a sprinkler - close to back door where a hot tub had been - new sod had been put down + was being watered

Basis for identification I ~~finally~~ realized it was a Wilson's and the necklace confirmed this. No bird book was available since my daughter had just moved in and didn't know where Robbins was. I ~~knew~~ what it was

Have you previous experience with species? No but with Wilson's warblers I have seen one Canada ^{male} in migration in S. ~~Texas~~ ^{Texas} about 8 years ago.

Were photos obtained? No (please enclose if possible)

Other comments There was no problem with this identification since we were ^{sitting on floor inside the back door} so close and had ample time to observe the bird. I study bird books all the time so I usually know what I'm seeing and what can be expected. I didn't realize it was really unusual sight till I checked literature