

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
SIGHT RECORD FORM

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PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. ATTACH PHOTOGRAPHS AND ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY.

SPECIES: KENTUCKY WARBLER ODORORNIS FORMOSUS
(Common Name) (Scientific Name)

DATE(S) OF OCCURRENCE: MAY 30, 1997

NUMBER OF BIRDS SEEN: 1 SEX: M PLUMAGE: ADULT BREEDING

EXACT LOCATION: CROW VALLEY C.G.

COUNTY: WELD NEAREST TOWN: BRIGGSDALE ELEVATION: EST. 4800

LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: 10 MIN TIME(S) OF OBSERVATION: 7:00-7:05 A.M.

OTHER OBSERVERS WHO SAW THE BIRD(S) WITH YOU:

EST. 10:00-10:05 A.M.
I FOUND BIRD AT APP. 7:00 A.M. IT WAS REFOUND WITH BILL
LISOWSKY, JOAN BARBER & NORMA ERICKSON AROUND 10:00 A.M.

OTHER OBSERVERS WHO INDEPENDENTLY SAW THE BIRD(S):

NONE TO MY KNOWLEDGE

LIGHT CONDITIONS (QUALITY; DIRECTION RELATIVE TO BIRD(S); POSITION):

MORNING SUN TO MY REAR AND SHINING ON THE BIRD

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED:

B & L ELITES 8x42

DISTANCE FROM BIRD (ESTIMATED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED): EST. 15 YDS.

WAS BIRD PHOTOGRAPHED? NO IF SO, HAVE YOU SUBMITTED PHOTOS? -

WHO TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPHS? -

DESCRIBE THE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC HABITAT IN WHICH THE BIRD(S) OCCURRED:

WOODED CREEK BOTTOM, ASH & ELM PRIMARILY

DESCRIBE THE BIRD'S BEHAVIOR (FLYING; FEEDING; HABITS; BEHAVIORS USED IN IDENTIFYING THE SPECIES OR IN SUPPORTING THE IDENTIFICATION):

FORAGING IN GRASS - WOULD FLY TO LOWER BRANCHES
OF ASH SAPLING OCCASIONALLY. PREFERRED GRASSY
AREAS.

DESCRIBE THE BIRD IN DETAIL. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THIS REPORT. INCLUDE THE OVERALL SIZE AND SHAPE AND HOW YOU PLACED THE BIRD IN THE GENERAL GROUP THAT YOU DID. GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF PLUMAGE, INCLUDING HEAD, THROAT, UNDERSIDES, NAPE, BACK, WINGS AND TAIL. GIVE PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO MARKS YOU USED TO IDENTIFY THE BIRD(S). DESCRIBE OTHER DETAILS, SUCH AS COLOR AND SHAPE OF BILL, LEGS, EYE, ETC. THAT WERE IMPORTANT IN MAKING THE IDENTIFICATION. (FILL OUT THIS PORTION EVEN IF PHOTOGRAPHS ARE SUBMITTED; YOU MAY ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, DRAWINGS, FIELD SKETCHES OR COPY OF FIELD NOTES):

SIZE, SHAPE, BILL CONFORMATION, HABITS INDICATED WARBLE STRIKING HEAD PATTERN: CROWN BLACK, BLACK LORES, EAR COVERTS EXTENDING UNDER EYE BLACK, BLACK ON SIDES OF NECK. BRIGHT YELLOW SUPERCILIUM EXTENDING TO SUPRALORAL AREA AND CURVING AROUND BACK OF EYE, THE OFT-SAID "YELLOW SPECTACLES". THROAT, BREAST, BELLY AND UNDERTAIL COVERTS UNIFORMLY YELLOW, ALTHOUGH A LATTER PERHAPS NOT QUITE AS BRIGHT. NAPE, BACK, WINGS AND TAIL OLIVE-GREEN. THERE IS SOME BLACK ON WING FEATHERS, WITH THE OLIVE COLOR SEEMING TO FRINGE THE EDGES BILL DARKISH, LEGS PALE, NO WING BARS.

DISCUSS SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW YOU ELIMINATED THEM:

CAN'T THINK OF SPECIES SO SIMILAR AS TO CAUSE CONFUSION.

WHAT IS YOUR PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILARLY APPEARING SPECIES?

FIRST SIGHTING WAS THE BIRD FOUND BY LISOWSKY AND ELY AT TWO BUTTES S.P. NEAR SPRINGFIELD, CO., MAY 3, 1997.

LIST BOOKS, GUIDES, RECORDINGS OR OTHER SOURCES CONSULTED AND HOW THIS INFLUENCED YOUR IDENTIFICATION (DURING AND AFTER OBSERVATION):

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC F.G.
WARBLERS OF THE AMERICAS (CURSON ET AL)

THIS REPORT WAS MADE FROM NOTES MADE DURING _____ OR AFTER ☒ OBSERVATION, OR LATER FROM MEMORY

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