

Species: Sage May Warbler (Vernacular Name) Dendroica Tigrina (Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): 5-3-75 Time Bird Seen: 7:30 AM to _____

Locality: Two Buttes Res

Nearest Town: Springfield County: Boca

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
<u>Bob Andrews</u>		
<u>Bill Lybarger</u>		
<u>Van Remson</u>		

Optical Equipment: 7 x 35 Binoc

Light Conditions: clear

Distance from Bird (how measured): 25 ft estimate

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: ♀ Plumage: spring

Overall Appearance and Size: about 5" long parulid shape

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

Bill (shape and color): short acute

Legs (shape and color): pale

Crown and Forehead: brown Eye (color): dark

Nape: brown Face: yellow brown cheek Throat: _____

Breast and Sides: yellow streaked

Belly and Flanks: pale hints of yellow streaked

Undertail Coverts: white

Back: brown unstreaked

Wings: brown two white wing bars

Underwings: _____

Rump: yellow-green Uppertail Coverts: yellow-green

Upper Side of Tail: brown

Under Side of Tail: _____

Shape of Tail: emarginate very short compared to other parulid

Voice: _____

Behavior: very active gleaning insects from leaves

Habitat: riparian woodland

Prior Experience with this Species: seen only in Colo

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? Female yellow-rumped have streaked backs

This Report was written from: Notes made during _____ after ☒ observation; Memory _____

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Return to: JACK BENNETT 1150 South Allen Street Denver, CO 80202

accepted 8/5/75

Species: Cape May Warbler (Vernacular Name) Dendroica tigrina (Scientific Name-use binomial)
 Date(s): 3 May 1975 Time Bird Seen: ~ 0700 to 0704 ^{again at about ~1000}
 Locality: Two Buttes Dam

Nearest Town: _____ County: Prowers

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Robert Andrews		
Steve Larson		
Bill Lybarger	Boulder	
Barry Knapp	Aurora	
	Boulder	

Optical Equipment: 10x50 binocs
 Light Conditions: excellent - direct + diffuse sunlight
 Distance from Bird (how measured): 30' (guess)

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: female Plumage: breeding
 Overall Appearance and Size: a warbler which immediately caught my eye because of its small size and short tail - I thought it was going to be a Northern Parula at first glance

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

Bill (shape and color): typical Dendroica - perhaps shorter
 Legs (shape and color): not observed
 Crown and Forehead: greenish-brown Eye (color): dark
 Nape: greenish-brown Face: greenish brown triangular cheek patch sharply defined; border along posterior margin with greenish-yellow Throat: whitish
 Breast and Sides: whitish with greenish tinge; rows of small spots forming conspicuous stripes flowing from upper breast downward
 Belly and Flanks: whitish with greenish tinge; stripes becoming indistinct and disappearing
 Undertail Coverts: "
 Back: greenish-brown - no streaks
 Wings: dark with two narrow but conspicuous white wing-bars
 Underwings: not seen
 Rump: greenish-yellow - contrasted with back Uppertail Coverts: dark
 Upper Side of Tail: dark
 Under Side of Tail: whitish with dark borders
 Shape of Tail: not remembered - definitely smaller, shorter than other Dendroica
 Voice: a thin "sip"

Behavior: foraging actively in top of flowering cottonwood in typical warbler fashion

Habitat: Riparian thickets and groves below the dam 200 yds.

Prior Experience with this Species: Only once - one female in Calif. in 1973 - looked identical to this bird except white underneath

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? The only female warblers (arboreal) which have conspicuously striped breasts are Blackpoll, Yellow-rumped, and Palm: (1) Blackpoll - lacks contrasting rump; size much larger; slower, more deliberate foraging; back striped - not uniform; cheek patch not as sharply defined; stripes on breast less distinct - stripes only extend a short way down breast (further down sides) - our bird was striped into lower breast (2) Palm - different behavior; yellow belly; striped back; yellowish throat; larger size (3) Yellow-rumped - conspicuous yellow not greenish yellow rump; larger; streaked back; cheek pattern different; streaks mainly along sides - not many in breast; different call note.

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