

## VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION OF AN UNUSUAL RECORD

Accepted  
JR 12/9/73

1. Species: VERMILION FLYCATCHER | Pyrocephalus rubinus 2. Number: 1  
(Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name)
3. Location: Horse Creek Reservoir, Weld County 1 mile east of Bromley Lane pavement and 1/2 mile north.
4. Date(s): April 29, 1973 5. Time bird seen: 11 A.M. to 11:15 A.M.
6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern. (Describe in great detail all parts of the plumage including beak and feet coloration in addition to the diagnostic characteristics; however, include only what actually was seen in the field):
- A bright red flash flew low across the road in front of the car. I watched it land on a post behind the car on the left side of road. I stopped 150 feet from bird and looked at it with 7x35 binoculars. It was a full plumage male, vermilion red on underparts and head with dark behind the eye, back of head, back and tail. The bird was sitting sideways to us. LaVonna set up the 20 power scope and we viewed it for several minutes until it flew northward behind a ranch house.
7. Description of voice, if heard:
8. Description of behavior:
9. Habitat--general: Open prairie, ranch house nearby, and fence posts along road  
specific:
10. Similarly appearing species which are eliminated 6, 7 and 8 above; Explain:
11. Distance (how measured?):
12. Optical equipment:
13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and observer):
- Clear day. Sun was overhead and bright on bird.
14. Previous experience with this species and similarly appearing species:
- Have observed this species many times. Twice before in Colorado.
15. What made you think this species was unusual or rare?
16. Other observers:
17. Did others agree with your identification?
18. Other observers who independently identified this bird:
19. Books, illustrations and advice consulted and how did these influence this documentation: NONE
20. If bird was photographed, please attach pictures and describe equipment used:
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Signature  
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(USE THE REVERSE, OR ADDITIONAL PAGES, IF NECESSARY)