

Bay-breasted warbler      Dendroica castanea

52-74-61  
Accepted GR 10/2/74

May 17, 1974

12:00 to 12:15?PM somewhere around noon, for about 15 min.

Pueblo Reservoir, 10 miles west of Pueblo.      Pueblo County

Other observers: Allegra Collister      Longmont Colo.

Camille Cummings      Berthoud Colo.

7x35 Binoculars were used.

Light: sunny day-bird in front of us and sun at our backs.

40 to 50ft . estimated

1 bird male breeding plumage

It was about the size of an Audubon's warbler. Chestnut on head and down its sides, with a white breast.

bill-pointed and dark

legs-not noted

crown& forehead-dark chestnut on both

nape-light brown

face-chestnut

throat-chestnut

breast-white but a little chestnut on the upper parts.

sides-chestnut

belly-white

flanks-white

under tail coverts-white

back- light brown slightly striped

wings-dark with two distinct wing bars

under wings-not noted

rump-dark gray

upper tail coverts-dark

upper side of tail-dark

lower side of tail-dark with white spots

shape of tail-slightly forked

voice- very high pitched

Behavior- seen sitting in one place for over one minute then moving through feeding on small worms.

Prior experience-New bird for me. The other ladies have seen it before.

similar species-chestnut-sided warbler-it has a yellow forehead and white in face.

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