

Species: Bay-breasted Warbler (Vernacular Name) Dendroica castanea (Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): 11-2-74 Time Bird Seen: 9:00 AM to 9:15 AM

Locality: Boulder Creek behind Ball Br. Corp

Nearest Town: Boulder County: Boulder

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
<u>Jack Reddall</u>	<u>4450 South Alton Englewood</u>	<u>771-5308</u>
<u>Bruce W. Webb</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>?</u>
<u>Bob Andrews</u>	<u>?</u>	<u>?</u>

Optical Equipment: 7x35 Pince

Light Conditions: overcast

Distance from Bird (how measured): 25ft estimate

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: ? Plumage: winter

Overall Appearance and Size: parulid in shape about 5" long

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

Bill (shape and color): straight acute

Legs (shape and color): dark

Crown and Forehead: brownish Eye (color): dark

Nape: brownish Face: brownish, eyeline Throat: buffy

Breast and Sides: buffy

Belly and Flanks: buffy

Undertail Coverts: buffy

Back: brown streaked

Wings: brown & white wing bars

Underwings: ?

Rump: brown Uppertail Coverts: brown

Upper Side of Tail: brown

Under Side of Tail: black, & white tail spots

Shape of Tail: ?

Voice: not heard

Behavior: flitting from tree to tree searching for insects

Habitat: riparian woodland

Prior Experience with this Species: seen only in Colorado

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? Blackpoll Warbler has pale legs not buffy on the underparts

This Report was written From: Notes made during ? after X observation; Memory ?

Signed: Steve Jensen Street Address: 4110 S 43RD

Date Prepared: 11-30-74 Town and State: Boulder Colo ZIP: 80302

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Species: BAY-BREASTED WARBLER

Dendroica castanea

(Vernacular Name)

(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): November 2, 1974

Time Bird Seen: 8:10 A.M.

to 8:20 A.M.-MST

Locality: Along Boulder Creek, southeast Boulder

Nearest Town: Boulder

County: Boulder

Other observers who independently identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
Bruce Webb	1090 A 11th Street, Boulder, Colorado 80302	
Robert Andrews	1390 South Ivy Way, Denver, Colorado 80222	
Steve Larson	2955 Glenwood Drive, #211, Boulder, Colorado 80301	

Optical Equipment: 10X50 Bushnell Binoculars

If photographed, type of equipment used: _____

Light Conditions: Gray, overcast, foggy, no sunlight.

Distance from bird (how measured): 25' to 50' estimated

Number of Birds Seen: One Sex: Unknown Plumage: Fall (non-breeding)

Describe the bird's overall behavior and demeanor:

This bird was in the company of a small group (about 25 birds) of fast moving warblers observed in the woodlands adjoining Boulder Creek. Its movements were very warbler-like, quick flitting movements from branch to branch, probing for food in nervous manner, etc.

Describe in great detail the bird's size, overall shape, plumage and color-pattern. Include details on shape of bill, wings and tail. Give particular emphasis to the marks you used to identify the bird. Reference to its resemblance in field guide descriptions is not enough. Describe what you actually saw in the field:

Bill, small, pointed, dark. Throat, whitish. Rest of underparts quite buffy, including undertail coverts. Faint trace of bay along flanks. No striping evident along flanks or sides. Tail, slightly forked, with two noticeable tail spots from underneath. Legs, dark. Wings, dark, with two obvious wingbars. Back, green marked with dark stripes. Head markings difficult to see, but appeared gray.

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Describe the bird's song or call, if heard, including method of delivery, i.e., from perch, in flight, etc:

No call or song heard.

Describe the habitat in which you observed this bird:

Riparian woodlands along fresh water stream, mostly cottonwoods and willows.

How were similarly appearing species eliminated?

The only other similarly appearing species is the fall Blackpoll Warbler which has pale or light legs, white undertail coverts, lacks the trace of bay along the flanks and usually shows a faint trace of striping along sides. Otherwise, these two species appear very much alike in the fall.

Prior experience with this and similarly appearing species:

Have observed spring and fall Blackpoll and Bay-breasted Warblers throughout New York State for over fifteen years; in the Chicago area during eight years and occasionally in Colorado since 1964.

Books, illustrations and advice consulted and how did these influence this documentation?

Birds of North America: Robbins, Bruun, Zim and Singer

A Field Guide to the Birds: Peterson

Corroborated the observation

This report was written from notes made during X after observation; from memory

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SIGNATURE: Jack Reddall

DATE: 11/4/1974

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