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# Colorado Field Ornithologists Sight Record Form

(Please print or type. Attach photographs and additional pages if necessary.)

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**RESULTS:**

Species: (Common Name) Pine Warbler

(Scientific Name) Dendroica pinus

Date(s) of occurrence: May 22 2004

Number of birds seen: 1

Sex: Male

Plumage: Adult

Exact location: 8155 Birch (my house)

County: Pueblo

Nearest town: Rye

Elevation: 7000 feet

Length of observation: about 1 minute

Time(s) of observation: 11:49-11:50 AM

Other observers who saw the bird(s) with you: None

Other observers who independently saw the bird(s) None

Light conditions (quality; direction relative to bird(s) and observers position: Sunny skies—bird north of observer

Optical equipment used: 10x40 Zeiss Binocular

Distance to bird(s) (estimated, unless otherwise noted): 15 feet

Was (Were) bird(s) photographed? No

If so, are you submitting photos?

Who took the photograph(s)?

Describe the general and specific habitats in which the bird(s) occurred: Mixed ponderosa/scrub oak habitat

Describe the bird's (birds') behaviors, particularly behaviors that were used in supporting the identification, e.g., flying, feeding, habits: Bird perched atop brush pile below my feeders and briefly dropped to dripper/bird bath on ground. The bird did not wag its tail

**DESCRIPTION -- This is the most important part of this report.** Include in these details the overall size and shape of the bird and give as many plumage details as possible, even including those that you feel might not have relevance to the specific identification. Please fill out this portion even if photos are accompanying your report.—This bird was fairly large for a Warbler, about Yellow-rumped size. Its bill was somewhat long, thick and slightly down-curved. Olive green on unstreaked back extended into nape, crown, and auriculars which contrasted with bright yellow throat. Olive green contrasted less with dull yellow eye ring and supercilium. Yellow on throat extended into upper belly which contrasted with white lower belly and under tail coverts. Blurry dark streaks speckled upper sides of breast but did not extend across the breast. The streaks became lighter gray and more diffuse as they extended down the flanks. Wings were dull olive gray with two prominent white wing bars on each wing. Primary tips were dark as were legs and feet. Tail was dark olive gray, but I did not see well the other details of tail.

Describe the bird's (birds') call(s) and/or song(s), if noted: None heard.

**SIMILAR SPECIES -- This is another critical part of your report.**

Prairie Warbler in non-breeding plumages looks similar to Pines but have yellowish under tail coverts and wing bars. Prairies often have diffuse reddish streaks on back in contrast with unstreaked back of Pine Warblers.

Female Blackpoll Warblers also have streaked backs, have much duller yellow under parts than Pines, and often have flesh colored feet and legs. Blackpolls have noticeable white spots on primary tips which are lacking in Pine Warblers. Female Bay-breasted Warblers have streaked backs but lack streaking on under parts. They also lack the bright yellow under parts which many male Pine Warblers exhibit like the one I saw.

Yellow-throated Vireos have brighter spectacles than Pines and lack the streaked under parts of Pine Warblers.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species? I have seen many Pine Warblers and similar species.

List books, guides, recordings, or other sources consulted and how these influenced your identification (during and after observation): Dunn & Garrett. 1997. *Warblers of North America*This report was made from (check one) x ☐ notes made during observation ☐ notes made after observation ☐ later from memory.

Date and time of written report: 2 PM May 24, 2004

Reporting observer: David Silverman

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