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**COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
SIGHT RECORD FORM**

RESULTS: _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE. ATTACH PHOTOGRAPHS AND ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NECESSARY.

SPECIES: Blackburnian Warbler (COMMON NAME) Dendroica fusca (SCIENTIFIC NAME)

DATE(S) OF OCCURRENCE: 5-26-98

NUMBER OF BIRDS SEEN: 1 SEX: Male PLUMAGE: alternate

EXACT LOCATION: approx. 1/2 mile up Valley Lane (off of Old Stage Rd)

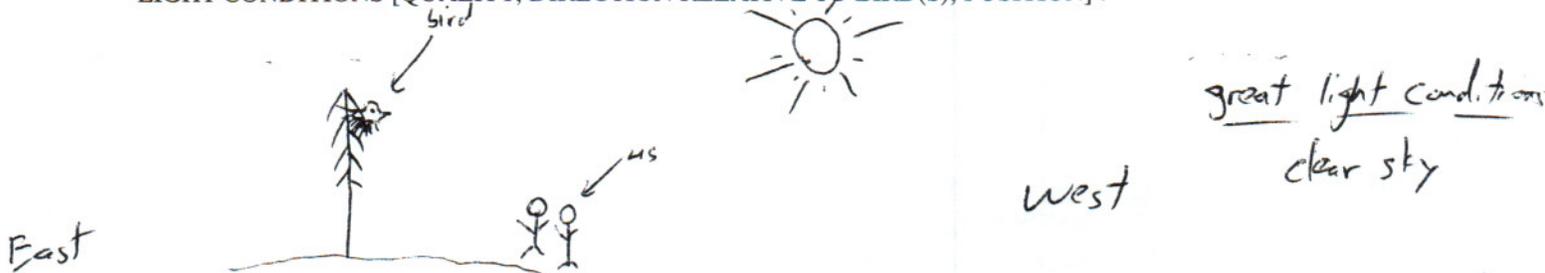
COUNTY: Boulder NEAREST TOWN: Boulder, Colo. ELEVATION: ~ 6300 Ft.

LENGTH OF OBSERVATION: ~ 4 min. TIMES(S) OF OBSERVATION: 5⁰⁰ PM

OTHER OBSERVERS WHO INDEPENDENTLY SAW THE BIRD(S):

Cathy Miller

LIGHT CONDITIONS [QUALITY; DIRECTION RELATIVE TO BIRD(S); POSITION]:



OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED:

Swift Audubon 8.5 x 44

DISTANCE FROM BIRD (ESTIMATED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED): 40 Ft.

WAS THE BIRD PHOTOGRAPHED: NO IF SO, HAVE YOU SUBMITTED PHOTOS? _____

WHO TOOK THE PHOTOGRAPHS? warbler on camcorder - visual is poor, but audio is pretty good - available if you need it.
* Note: since ~~filling~~ filling out this report, got the

DESCRIBE THE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC HABITAT IN WHICH THE BIRD(S) OCCURRED:

fairly dense ponderosa pine forest

DESCRIBE THE BIRD'S BEHAVIOR (FLYING; FEEDING; HABITS; BEHAVIORS USED IN IDENTIFYING THE SPECIES OR IN SUPPORTING THE IDENTIFICATION):

Bird was sitting and singing - would move about some, and finally went further back into forest out of sight.

DESCRIBE THE BIRD IN DETAIL. THIS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF THIS REPORT. INCLUDE OVERALL SIZE AND SHAPE, AND HOW YOU PLACED THE BIRD IN THE GENERAL GROUP THAT YOU DID. GIVE COMPLETE DETAILS OF PLUMAGE, INCLUDING HEAD, THROAT, UNDERSIDES, NAPE, BACK, WINGS, AND TAIL. GIVE PARTICULAR EMPHASIS TO MARKS YOU USED TO IDENTIFY THE BIRD(S). DESCRIBE OTHER DETAILS, SUCH AS COLOR AND SHAPE OF BILL, LEGS, EYE, ETC. THAT WERE IMPORTANT IN MAKING THE IDENTIFICATION. (FILL OUT THIS PORTION EVEN IF PHOTOGRAPHS ARE SUBMITTED; YOU MAY ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS, DRAWINGS, FIELD SKETCHES, OR COPY OF FIELD NOTES):

First noticed the song, which seemed "warbler" like. Had birded at Crow Valley Campground that morning with Chris Wood, who had heard a Blackburnian there and had described its song for me and my wife and Norma Erickson. Now the song that Chris Wood had described seemed to fit the bird I heard. Located bird near top of ponderosa pine tree + immediately noticed bright burnt orange throat; started noting field marks + noted orange supercilium, blackish cheek (ear) patch followed by more ~~orange~~ orange on neck, and white wing patch. Bird was smallish in size (larger than wren but smaller than robin) with small, pointed beak. Kind of pretty much looked like a Blackburnian warbler.

DISCUSS SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW YOU ELIMINATED THEM:

Yellow-throated - yellow throat, mostly white supercilium
Graces - yellow throat, different shape to ear patch
Hermit + Townsends - black throats

WHAT IS YOUR PRIOR EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILARLY APPEARING SPECIES?

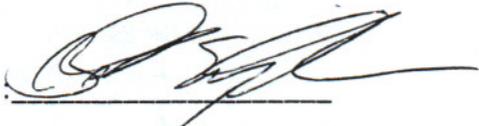
have seen several over the years but only in Texas during spring migration

LIST BOOKS, GUIDES, RECORDINGS, OR OTHER SOURCES CONSULTED AND HOW THIS INFLUENCED YOUR IDENTIFICATION (DURING AND AFTER OBSERVATION):

checked Dunn (warblers) and Andrews + Riegler for status + distribution

THIS REPORT WAS MADE FROM NOTES MADE DURING _____ OR AFTER X OBSERVATION, OR LATER FROM MEMORY _____.

DATE OF WRITTEN REPORT: 5/26/98

REPORTING OBSERVER: Bill Miller SIGNATURE: 

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