

## COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

NEW STATE RECORD ☐UNUSUAL RECORD ☒

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

Species: Black-throated Green Warbler (Vernacular Name) Dendroica virens (Scientific Name)Date(s): 5/17/90Number of birds seen: 1 Sex: male Plumage: alternate (breeding)Latilong: 11 Distribution Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Habitat Code: \_\_\_\_\_Locality: Wheat Ridge Greenbelt Elevation: 5400'Nearest town: Wheat Ridge County: JeffersonTime(s) observed: late afternoonDuration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 20 minutes

Other observers who saw the bird with you (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

none

Other observers who saw the bird independently (give names, addresses, telephone numbers):

Dick Schotter, others saw on 5/16

Light conditions (position of bird to light and shade, direction and strength of light):

OvercastOptical equipment used (e.g. power, types): Bushnell 10x custom SA (6Distance and how measured: 20 feet at closest - est.If photographed, type of equipment and film: Pentax K1000 with Sigma 90mm lens, FujichromeWho else photographed the bird: None

Describe the bird's behavior (e.g. flying, feeding, or habits used in identifying):

foraging at mid-heights in Cottonwoods/willows

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

I'll let the photos describe. They are diagnostic, showing pale belly - almost white with yellowish tinge, yellow face with

Description (continued): dark line going through it, zwingbars, white  
outer tail feathers. upper greenish back visible in blurry  
photo, as is eye-line

Describe the bird's song and call, if given, including method of delivery,  
(i.e. from perch, in flight, duration):

I did not hear

Describe the general and specific habitat in which you observed the bird:

Riparian plains grove.

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

Hermit is only confusable warbler, but has less extensive black  
throat, gray back rather than green, lacks yellowish tinge on belly, lacks strong  
line through eye.

What is your prior experience with this and similarly appearing species?

Black Throated Greens - upper midwest, texas, 1 previous immature in Colorado  
Hermit Warblers seen in SE Az, Colima + Jalisco in Mexico.

List books, illustration, recordings, other birders, etc. consulted and how  
this influenced your identification:

a) At time of observation: NONE

b) After observation: Geographic, Audubon Master Birding guides

This report was written from reports made during           , after  
observation           , from memory x and photos

Date and time report was written: 2/26/91

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