VERIFYING REPORT OF UNUSUAL RECORD

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Species: Black-throated Blue Warbler (Dendroica caerulescens) Number--1 male

Location: Jefferson County, Colorado, 3 miles downstream from Waterton, 3 miles upstream from Chatfield Dam

Date: October 14, 1973 Time: 10:45 for 5-10 minutes fleetingly

Description: see below:

Habitat: Cottonwood river bottom. In bushy willows along the South Platte river bottom.

Distance: 20-50 feet estimate, using 7x 35 binoculars.

Light: usually in shaded portions of bush, usually on the other side from where we were; once or twice in sun and 3-4 times on our side of the bushes.

Two of us identified the bird independently; data below.

Description:

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Black head and bib Slate blue back White breast 2 white spots on black wing, thus: 	Slate blue cap and back Black face including eye, throat White spots in wing; one elongate, one small spot twoard tip of wing. White belly and under-tail coverts Moved constantly, stayed hidden. neither as active as Audubons nor as easy to see.
Voice: --	Made a sound similar to ajunco chip (the one which sounds like 2 sticks slicking together); made 2-3 notes at a time.
Behavior:	Feeding 5-15 feet up in th e described bushes. Would disappear and then we could locate it when it flew to a new bush, uttering these junco-like chips. With about 10 Audubon's Warblers
Previous experience: None	Four years at Ithaca New York; one feeding in Mens Room on Block Island, R.I. Fepry October 1971; and one female at Horse Creek Res., Colo., 1972.
Books consulted: Robbins, Birds of North America	For scientific name, De Schauensee, Birds of South America

No photographs.

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