COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS SIGHT RECORD REPORT CFO-ORC FILE #52-74-112

☒ RARE OR UNUSUAL RECORD ☐ NEW STATE RECORD accepted JR 10/2/74

Species: BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER | DENDROICA CAERULESCENS
(Vernacular Name) (Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): SEPT 22, 1974 Time Bird Seen: 230 PM to 250 PM

Locality: NEAR NAVAL CENTER ARMORY, AT EDGE OF PROSPECT LAKE

Nearest Town: COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO County: EL PASO

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
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Optical Equipment: STELLAR (JAPAN) BINOCULARS, 7X35, COATED OPTICS

Light Conditions: PERFECT, BRIGHT SUNSHINE

Distance from Bird (how measured): 10 FT TO 20 FT (ESTIMATED)

Number of Birds Seen: TWO Sex: MALES Plumage: VERY BRIGHT FALL PLUMAGE

Overall Appearance and Size: WHITE BELOW, BLUE GRAY ABOVE, BLACK CHEEKS AND THROAT, WHITE IN WINGS (TWO PATCHES) WARBLER SIZED - ALMOST THE SIZE OF AUDUBON'S WARBLER WHICH WAS IN SAME AMERICAN ELM TREE

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

Bill (shape and color): SMALL, DARK AND POINTED

Legs (shape and color): DARK

Crown and Forehead: BLUISH GRAY Eye (color):

Nape: BLUE GRAY Face: BLACK CHEEKS Throat: BLACK

Breast and Sides: UPPER BREAST WHITE

Belly and Flanks: BELLY WHITE WITH BLACK EXTENDING ABOVE ALONG FLANKS

Undertail Coverts:

Back: BLUE GRAY

Wings: DARK WITH TWO WHITE SPOTS

Underwings: NOT OBSERVED

Rump: BLUE-GRAY Uppertail Coverts: BLUE

Upper Side of Tail:

Under Side of Tail: N

Shape of Tail: NARROW AND LONGISH

Voice: NOT HEARD

Behavior: WAS SEEN ACTIVELY FEEDING ON INSECTS IN THE UNDER STRUCTURE OF AMERICAN ELM TREE

Habitat:

Prior Experience with this Species: Many years ago in Mississippi river valley.

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? no other warbler closely resembles the male Black-throated Blue warbler.

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

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