

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS - SIGHT RECORD FORM

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

Species: CONNECTICUT WARBLER
(Vernacular Name)OPORORNIS AGILIS
(Scientific Name)Date(s): 24 MAY 1993Number of birds seen: 1 Sex: Unknown Plumage: ALTERNATELocality: BARR LAKE STATE PARK Elevation: 5100'Nearest town: BRICKTON County: ADAMSTime(s) observed: 0820Duration of observation (e.g. 1 sec., 5 min., etc.): 30 minutes

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

DICK SCHOTTER
 DUANE NELSON 277-9748 1619 Ford St. GOLDEN, CO 80401
 ERIC LANE 659-4348 40 CBO
 CHUCK AID 659-4348 40 CBO

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

NONE

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

IN-HAND ON SUNNY DAYOptical equipment used (e.g. power, types): IN-HANDDistance, and how measured: IN-HANDIf photographed, type of equipment and film: KODACHROME 64, OLYMPUS OM-10 w/ 90MM ZUKIO MACROWho else photographed the bird? NELSON, WADDINGTON

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

IN-HAND

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:

SEE ENCLOSED PHOTO (I HAVE A MUCH BETTER ONE THAT I CAN SEND).WING - TAIL = 22mm is WITHIN RANGE FOR CONN. WARBLER (19-27) (PYLE ET AL 1987).

Description (continued):

FAT = 3 (VERY)
WING CHORD = 72
TAIL LENGTH = 50
WEIGHT = 18.4 g

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

N/A

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

CAUGHT IN A WILLOW STAND WITH NEARBY
CANOPY OF PLAINS COTTONWOODS.

How did you eliminate similarly appearing species?

USING MEASUREMENTS OF WING LENGTH MINUS TAIL. PYLE ET AL. 1987
EYE RING COMPLETE

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

I SEEN IN FALL IN CENTRAL OKLAHOMA.

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

a) at time of observation: NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC FG. 2nd Ed.
PETERSON WESTERN FG. 3RD. ED.
b) after observation: I.D. GUIDE TO NORTH AMERICAN PASSERINES PYLE ET AL. 1987

This report was written from reports made during _____, after observation from memory _____

Date and time report was written: 7/28/93 10:30 AM.

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