

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS SIGHT RECORD REPORT  
☒ RARE OR UNUSUAL RECORD ☐ NEW STATE RECORD

CFO-ORC FILE # 52-74-51

Accepted JR 9/12/74

Species: Blackburnian Warbler  
(Vernacular Name)

Dendroica fusca  
(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): April 30, 1974

Time Bird Seen: 8:00 am to approx

Locality: Mesa Trail

Nearest Town: Boulder

County: Boulder

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

Alan Wallace

240 Cervantes Portola Valley, CA 94025

Optical Equipment: Nikon 9x35 Binoculars

Light Conditions: clear - sunlight directly on bird - full view

Distance from Bird (how measured): 15' (sight estimate)

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: ♂ Plumage: SPRING (Breeding)

Overall Appearance and Size: orange and black-headed warbler smaller than Yellow-rumped (Audubon's) Warbler near it

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

Bill (shape and color): small slender pointed

Legs (shape and color): not observed

Crown and Forehead: C-orange F-black

Nape: black (C-orange)

Breast and Sides: orange to black (C-black)

Belly and Flanks: white

Undertail Coverts: no

Back: black

Wings: no w/ white bars

Underwings: no

Rump: black

Upper Side of Tail: black

Under Side of Tail: no

Shape of Tail: no

Eye (color) black

Throat: orange

Voice: did not sing

Behavior: foraging in Ponderosa Pine

Habitat: Pines bordering and open east facing slope of foothills

Prior Experience with this Species:

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated?

Throat distinctly orange; not Townsend's

no other warbler with such distinctive orange & black head markings viewed in full sunlight

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

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