

COLORADO FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS SIGHT RECORD REPORT

☒ RARE OR UNUSUAL RECORD ☐ NEW STATE RECORD

CFO-ORC FILE # 52-71-85

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Species: Blackburnian Warbler

(Vernacular Name)

Dendroica fusca

(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): May 18, 1974

Time Bird Seen: 8:15 A.M. to 8:50 A.M.

Locality: North shore of Bonny Reservoir

Nearest Town: Idalia

County: Yuma

Other observers who identified this bird:

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Optical Equipment: Tasco 7x35 Binoculars

Light Conditions: sky clear, light on bird good sun to observer's back.

Distance from Bird (how measured): 75-35 feet (estimated)

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: male Plumage: adult

Overall Appearance and Size: size small 4-5 inches, birds seemed slender, obviously a warbler.

Detailed Description (describe only what was actually observed):

Bill (shape and color): slender black

Legs (shape and color): dark color

Crown and Forehead: immediately above the bill was black, the crown was orange Eye (color): black

Nape: black Face: orange with black auriculars orange black line separating face + throat

Breast and Sides: breast white, sides white with black streaking

Belly and Flanks: white

Undertail Coverts: white

Back: black with two white lines forming a thin broken V.

Wings: dark with broad white wing-bar.

Underwings:

Rump: black Undertail Coverts: black

Upper Side of Tail: largely white

Under Side of Tail: black appeared to be some white flashing, but I have no idea of extent.

Shape of Tail: square with slight fork

Voice: not heard

Behavior: flicked a great deal, remaining high in the trees.

Habitat: cottonwoods and willows

Observer Experience with this Species: Have observed it previously in Maine + Nova Scotia, on four occasions most recently June 29, 1972.

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? The only species with any similarity in pattern is the Yellow-throated Warbler. It was eliminated as it has no orange or yellow in the face or head and its major colors are blue-gray and yellow not black and orange.

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

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