

UTAH FIELD ORNITHOLOGISTS
SIGNIFICANT SIGHTING RECORD DOCUMENTATION

2000-10(R82)
1982-05 ufo

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Lat/long _____ Reporter _____ Sci Name _____
Habitat _____ Record type _____ Serial MAY 20 1982 - 032
Date/time _____ Disposition Did not survive 19 Cx Nos. _____
collected 11/20/82 by ufo

Common Name Philadelphia Vireo
Scientific Name Vireo Philadelphicus
Sight date May 4, 1982 time 10:30 am duration 5 min
Distance from bird 15-20 ft.
Light conditions Sunny - Excellent
Optical equip. Bushnell 7x35 Binoculars
Photo. equip. _____
Number of this species seen One
Notes made at time of sighting Date this report was prepared. May 4, 1982
Notes made later from memory
Photo available Photo enclosed

Weather at time of this observation.
Clear, Cool (45-50°)
Prior weather & number of days since change
Rain & Cool Previous Day
↑ Cold front
Locality
1360 2nd Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah

Male Adult ? Age unk. Basic Plumage Light Phase
Female Subadult ♀ or Imm Breeding Dark Phase
Sex Unk. Juv/Imm _____ year bird Eclipse Molting

Description of bird. Size, Colors, all field marks OBSERVED - Unique features of this bird, if any.

- ① - Small (I estimated 4½") vireo shaped bird
- ② - No wing bars at all
- ③ - fairly short bill, dark, thicker than warbler bill
- ④ - Color
 - Uniform grayish back & tail, maybe slightly olive
 - dark line through the eye
 - outstanding characteristic was a fairly bright yellow rump and yellowish belly (under tail coverts)
- ⑤ - eye was dark, no obvious eye ring

The bird was in the sun and I watched it at eye level from a 2nd story window (open) of my house. The startling characteristic was the yellow underneath which I saw very clearly a number of times. The yellow was not unlike that depicted on p227 of the 1st edition of Petersons Field Guide, with a little more yellow on the belly and a bit less on the upper chest (the one called "variation").

Field marks which were not seen. Why not?

Variations from expected field marks.

Upper breast light gray with only the faintest yellowish wash

List similar species and describe why or how you eliminated them.

Warbling Vireo - the bright yellow belly & rump.

Solitary Vireo - no wing bars at all

Gray Vireo - yellow underparts

Orange Crowned Warbler - much to gray above & no streaking on breast.

Tennessee Warbler - yellow rump.

Behavior of this bird. Include names of other birds with this one and any interaction.

~~seen~~ feeding among catkins in newly leafed-out box elder about 25 ft tall. It was about 15-20 ft above ground, and quite active.

Habitat this location and near by or adjacent habitat if significant.

- Near U. of Utah Campus

Describe birds song or sounds.

- did not sing

Names of other observers. A/C + phone #

None

What is your experience with this or similar birds?

I have seen warbling and solitary vireo's recently, and other Philadelphia's years ago in the East.

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