

## UTAH ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY

## VERIFICATION OF UNUSUAL SIGHT RECORD FOR UTAH

COMMON NAME: Northern Parula

SCIENTIFIC NAME: Parula americana

DATE: Nov. 18, 1998 TIME: 11:30am LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: approx. 20 min.

NUMBER: 1 AGE: adult SEX: female

LOCATION: Willard Bay State Park Campground

COUNTY: Box Elder LATILONG: 2 ELEVATION: approx. 4300 ft

DISTANCE TO BIRD: 20-30 feet

WEATHER: Clear + Warm

LIGHT CONDITIONS: Good with front light

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF BIRD:

- 1) Warbler
- 2) Blue-gray back + sides with a small patch of yellow-green in center of back -- only visible when angle of bird and light were optimal.
- 3) Small/short white wing bars -- double
- 4) Incomplete eye ring
- 5) Bright yellow throat

Notes: I first saw the Northern Parula on Nov. 18, 1998 with Jack Kessel, but also observed it on Nov. 27, 1998 and on Dec. 2, 1998 with other members of the Wasatch Audubon Society.

SONG OR CALL AND METHOD OF DELIVERY: None

BEHAVIOR: Gleaning insects from leaves + small branches

HABITAT: Russian Olive, Crabapple, boxelder, + hawthorn

SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW WERE THEY ELIMINATED:

- 1) Nashville Warbler has complete eye ring, no wingbar, and a olive green back.
- 2) MacGillivray's warbler does not have yellow throat
- 3) Orange-crowned warbler has yellow eye streak and no wingbars

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND SIMILAR SPECIES: Conducted bird research in Missouri for many years.

REFERENCES CONSULTED: None

DESCRIPTION FROM: NOTES TAKEN AT TIME OF SIGHTING \_\_\_\_\_, NOTES MADE LATER X.

FROM MEMORY X

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OTHER OBSERVERS WHO INDEPENDENTLY IDENTIFIED THIS BIRD: Jack Rensel, Arnold Smith, Carolyn Somers, + many more

DATE PREPARED: Dec. 5, 1998

ADDITIONAL MATERIAL: PHOTO \_\_\_\_\_, DRAWING \_\_\_\_\_, TAPE \_\_\_\_\_, OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

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