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Western Tanager 11 May 1993 Record Number: 93-18 Classification: A-P

L. Manawa, Pottawattamie Co., IA

*#B. J. Rose IBL 63:79, 64:68

DOCUMENTATION

B. J. Rose, 14937 "N" St., Omaha, NE 68137 [11/27/93]

PHOTOGRAPHS

B. J. Rose, P-0397

REFERENCES

Field Reports: IBL 63:79

Records Committee: IBL 64:68

VOTE: 2 A-P, 5 A-D

A-D, (Will probably change vote to A-P after I've seen photos)

A-D, Orangish-red on face, crown and throat along with blackish back and wings with two yellowing wing bars make this conclusive for Western Tanager in basic plumage.

REVOTE: 7 A-P



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DOCUMENTATION OF RARE BIRD SIGHTING bu B. J. Rose 14937 "N" St. Omaha, NE 68137

Species: Western Tanager

No. of birds seen: 1

Sex: Male

Plumage: Breeding (1st Year ?)

Date(s): May 11, 1993

Time bird seen: About 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Locality: (Nearest town, county, state): Lake Manawa, So. of CB, Pottawatamie Co., IA

Optical equipment: Optolith 10x40 Binocular

If photographed, copy is enclosed 4 slides Equipment used: Chinon camera with 600mm Novoflex lens.

Light conditions: Good

Distance from bird: 50 feet ; How measured: Estimated

Bird's behavior: When first seen, the bird was 'hawking' insects from the volleyball net, at the beach at Lake Manawa. It was sharing the net with an Eastern Kingbird. After leaving the net, it flew up in the large cottonwoods on the north side of the fence around the beach area. Here, it preened and continued to 'hawk' insects from the dead branches.

Habitat: Open beach and lawn area with large cottonwoods.

Other observers (w/names & addresses): Roger Rose, 3907 22nd Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN 55407. Loren and Babs Padelford, 1405 Littlejohn Road, Bellevue, NE 68005-3345. (The Padelfords came after Roger and I had found the bird and we had called them).

Description of bird(s): Yellow head and underparts, head with orangish-red on front of face (front of crown and throat), back and wings blackish, with two yellowish wingbars. Bill yellow.

Description of calls or sounds, and method of delivery: None heard.

Similar species and how eliminated: Summer and Scarlet Tanagers do not have wing-bars.

Prior experience with this and similar species: I have seen many Western Tanagers.

This report was written from notes made during observation ; after observation

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from memory XX Date of documentation 6/18/93; Date of observation 5/11/93.

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