DOCUMENTATION OF EXTRAORDINARY BIRD SIGHTING

Species: Orange-crowned Warbler; Number: 1

Location: Kettleson Hogsback A., Dickinson Co., IA

Date: 21 May 1996; Time: about 2:00 p.m.

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Others before/with/after: Jim Fuller with me.

Habitat and circumstances: wooded edge of lake.

Description of bird: It was a rather uniform pale olive warbler with no contrast between head and back. There was an indistinct eye ring. The sides had faint streaking and the under tail coverts were yellowish. I saw these features when I found the bird. We relocated it and both had good looks.

Voice: not heard.

Similar species: There were several Tennessee Warblers in the area. They had contrast between head and back, no streaking, and whitish under tail coverts.

Any one have reservations?: no.

Light: clear but we were in the shade; Distance: 20 feet; Optics: 10x binocular.

Previous experience: Have seen many; ties my latest date.

References before/after viewing: none.

Time of notes: 6 hours; Final typing: 2 days.