

What species? (Audubon's) yellow-rumped warbler How many? 1Location? Woods below Coralville DamType of habitat? tangle/blowdown, weed patch near riverbankWhen? date(s): 27 Oct 1981 time: ~9:30 to ~9:35 AMWho? your name and address: Michael Newton 908 Wales St Iowa Cityothers with you: J. Sandrock, Mary Noble, Ed Carpenter, Jozef Marksothers before or after you: _____

Describe the bird(s) including only what you observed. Include size, shape, details of all parts (bill, eye, head, neck, back, wing, tail, throat, breast, belly, under tail, legs, feet). Also mention voice and behavior.

Small bird, a bit smaller than an English Sparrow + more slender.
 Medium-length slender bill.

Upper parts from forehead to ^{yellow} rump brownish, wings + tail brownish ~~with~~ but a bit darker. Two pale wing bars, a little pale color in tail.
 Broken pale eye-ring. Underparts pale greyish-brown. Indistinct yellow smudge at bend of folded wing. Very faint yellow smudges on throat.

Bill + legs dark grey.

Voice: higher-pitched than myrtle's 'tup', ^{more like a two-} syllabled chee-up, with ^{husky quality} husky tone to it - ~~other~~ reminded me a bit of song-sparrow's call-note; it was this odd note that ^{at} drew attention to the bird.

Behavior: in weedy blow-down tangle; came up in response to spushing, called repeatedly; good view at 80'; flew to top of a tree, then flew s. down river.

Similar species and how eliminated: Lack of streaking on underparts, yellow at sides of breast, yellow rump eliminate all other warblers.

Did any one disagree or have reservations about identification? _____If yes, explain: others non-committal.

Viewing conditions: give lighting, distance (how measured), and optical equipment:

Dull grey day, no shadows, light not too good. Sun position behind observers. Range 80' - 75' (est.)

Previous experience with species and similar ones: Have seen all IA warblers; also numerous Audubon's on west coast in fact just a few weeks prior - (w/visky).

References and persons consulted before writing description: NoneHow long before field notes made? _____ this form completed? 2 1/2 hrs.