

DOCUMENTATION FORM

Species?Pine Warbler

How Many?1

Location?State Forest Nursery, Ames

Habitat?large pine planting

Date?4 Sep 1986

Time?5:00-5:10 P.M.

Observers Name and address:Steve Dinsmore, Ames

Others who saw bird:Eric Munson

Description of bird:The bird was feeding with two fall-plumaged Bay-breasted Warblers. This bird was the same size as the Bay-breasteds, with a larger bill and a greenish, unstreaked back. The underparts were yellowish with some dark streaking on the sides. The face was yellowish and the bird had a faint eyering. The wings were dark and marked with two faint wingbars. The legs were dark. From underneath, the tail appeared all white.

Similar species and how eliminated:Fall Bay-breasted Warbler eliminated by the larger bill, extensively white undertail, yellowish underparts with faint streaking, the unstreaked back, and by the faint eyering.

Viewing conditions and equipment:Viewing conditions were good with a clear sky and sun mostly behind us. Estimated viewing distance was 20 feet at the closest. I used Nikon 8 x 23 binoculars.

Previous experience with species:I have seen two other Pine Warblers in Iowa in fall.

References consulted:Whitney, B. Bay-breasted, Blackpoll, and Pine Warblers in Fall Plumage. Birding 15:219-222

How long before field notes were made?immediately

How long before this form was completed?3 days