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IDAHO BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE
RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

SPECIES:

Baltimore Oriole

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OTHER OBSERVERS:

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Multiple other observers

DATE REPORT PREPARED:

Original report June, 2000. This report May 28, 2006

DATE SIGHTING OCCURRED:

Daily June 3 through June 11, 2000

LOCALITY OF OBSERVATION:

At Coolin, Id, ranging from a meadow on the edge of town along the south end of Priest Lake to approxiamtely 1 1/2 miles west along the lake.

HABITAT:

ranging from edge of a meadow in deciduous trees to fairly dense forest habitat including Cedars, Hemlock's, Cottonwoods, etc

CONDITIONS:

All weather patterns through the week.

DID YOU TAKE NOTES?:

No, not at all

DID YOU CONSULT FIELD GUIDE OR OTHER REFERENCES?:

Yes, during the observation

WHAT GUIDE(S) OR REFERENCE(S) DID YOU CONSULT?:

National Geographic

DESCRIPTION:

Male Oriole with all black head with the orange of the breast extending as a wedge across the upper wing. First found as it was signing its song, different from a Bullock's.

BEHAVIOR:

This bird appeared in the company of a first year male Bullock's Oriole. It ranged back and forth along the south end of Priest Lake over a distance of a mile or so and was seen daily for a 9 day period. It was photographed by myself and other observers.

HOW AND WHEN DID YOU POSITIVELY IDENTIFY THE BIRD, AND WHAT CLINCHED THE IDENTIFICATION FOR YOU?

When first seen. This is a bird I am very familiar with, no question as to the ID

HOW DID YOU ELIMINATE SIMILAR SPECIES, AND WHAT WERE THEY?

All black head, orange wedge in shoulder, eliminated Bullock's Oriole.

EXPERIENCE WITH THIS SPECIES (AND SIMILAR SPECIES):

Very familiar with this bird from numerous trips to the eastern and southern US and because I lived in Minnesota for 4 years.

GENERAL BIRDING EXPERIENCE:

See under report on Upland Sandpiper dated May 28, 2006

WERE PHOTO(S), VIDEO, AND/OR AUDIO OBTAINED BY YOU?:

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