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RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

SPECIES:

Palm Warbler

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DATE REPORT PREPARED:

May 28, 2006. Originally reported October, 2004

DATE SIGHTING OCCURRED:

Sept 30, 2004

LOCALITY OF OBSERVATION:

Edge of Coolin, Idaho on Warren Beach Road on south end of Priest Lake

HABITAT:

brushy riparian habitat along small stream by edge of meadow

CONDITIONS:

Weather conditions were good, wind calm

DID YOU TAKE NOTES?:

No, not at all

DID YOU CONSULT FIELD GUIDE OR OTHER REFERENCES?:

Yes, later the same day

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

National Geographic
Sibley

DESCRIPTION:

First noticed bright yellow under tail coverts, then bird immediately flew. Relocated it a few seconds later and noticed that it was vigorously pumping its tail. Overall generally dull brownish. Noticed a light line above the eye. Very slight streaking on breast.

BEHAVIOR:

As long as we observed the bird, for perhaps 2 minutes, it was vigorously pumping its tail. It was feeding in low to mid-level bushes and small deciduous trees.

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

After reviewing the field guides we confirmed the ID. This is a bird that we both have seen a few times, but were initially taken back because we didn't expect to see it here.

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

Appearance, and especially the tail pumping, and the bright yellow under tail coverts eliminated any other potentially similar warbler

EXPERIENCE WITH THIS SPECIES (AND SIMILAR SPECIES):

See above

GENERAL BIRDING EXPERIENCE:

See under my report of Upland Sandpiper dated May 28, 2006

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

None