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Towensend's Warbler

Dendroica townsendi

(Number Individuals) 1 female

(Age Plumage) Adult Female

(Date Time) November 20, 2010, 10:00 and 14:45 to 15:30

(Location) Upper Darby, Delaware County

(Exact Site) Cobbs Creek Park near confluence of Naylor's Run and Cobbs Creek

(Observer Name) Anthony Croasdale

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(Other Observers) Dan Efroymson, Michael McGraw, Al Gurante, Rich Horwitz

(Habitat) Mixed Hardwood Woodland, late successional meadow

(Distance) 3 meters

(View Conditions) Overcast, 60 degrees F

(Optical Equip) Kowa Genesis 8X33

(Description) The bird was seen associating with fox sparrows and was significantly smaller, the bird was seen well by thirteen observers and was well photographed, all observers agreed that the field marks were consistent with Townsend's Warbler. These field marks include 'jizz' of Dendroica warbler with yellow face surrounded by dark olive with black markings on auriculars, the throat was yellow with black malar. The bird had an olive back and had two white wing bars. The bird had yellow on the breast and sides

(Behavior) The bird was first seen at 10:00 perched in the top of a sapling about 8' tall, then the bird flew into a 40' tall White Mullberry and was lost. The bird was resighted consuming a moth in the top Slippery Elm about 60' tall a half hour later. When the bird was relocated at 14:30 it was seen foraging on the ground as well as at eye-level in a tangle of honeysuckle. The bird was actively foraging.

(Vocalizations) chip notes

Supporting evidence if any: (Check all that apply)

Photograph

Michael McGraw-photograph, Steve Gunwald-video

(Photo Phone) Michael McGraw 610-551-4660

Separation from similar species

Facial markings much darker than in Black-throated green warbler and yellow extends below malar, inconsistent with black-throated green warbler.

Previous experience with this and/or similar species

Observed one individual in Fairbanks Alaska, August 2009

Are you positive of your identification ?

Yes, all fieldmarks are consistent with Townsend's Warbler

References Consulted:

(References During) Sibley, Kauffman Field Guides

(References After) Sibley, Kauffman, Golden Field Guides

(Report Date) Nov 20, 2010

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Round One

Species: Townsend's Warbler Dendroica townsendi

Date of Sighting: 20 November 2010 to 21 November 2010

County : DELAWARE/PHILADELPHIA

Location : COBBS CREEK ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

Observer(s): Anthony Coarsdale, m.obs

Date of Submission: 2010

Submitted by: Anthony Coarsdale, Mike McGraw, Holly Merker

Written Description: Yes

Photo: Yes

Specimen: No

Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
D. DeReamus	X							
A. Guarente	X							
T. Johnson	X							
B. Coulter	X							
C. Rutt	X							
J. Heller	X							
G. Malosh	X							
TOTALS	7							
DECISION	X							

Comments:

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Signature (Secretary) Nick Pulcinella

Date: 5/4/11