

TOWNSEND WARBLER ?

PEUETO BEACH WOODS

18 DEC 1983 1057-1059

OBSERVED AT DISTANCES OF 10-30 METERS

THE BIRD WAS FIRST LOCATED BY TV WHO NOTED A "STRANGE BRIGHT YELLOW WARBLER". THE BIRD WAS TRAVELLING WITH 2 GOLDEN CROWNED KINGLETS AND 3 RUBY CROWNED KINGLETS. THE WARBLER FLEW TO THE TOP OF A 4 M TALL TREE AND WAS AGAIN LOCATED BY RC, DP, AND WB. RC FELT THAT THE BIRD WAS A "BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER OR BETTER" BASED ON BLACK UPPER BREAST, DISTINCT FACIAL PATTERN, & BLACK SIDE STREAKS. RM AND DP ONLY MANAGED TO CATCH A QUICK GLIMPSE OF THE HEAD AND NOTED A YELLOW EYELINE, DISTINCT DARK AURICULARS AND YELLOW BELOW AURICULARS. RC, DP, WB & TV OBTAINED ADDITIONAL VIEWS OF THE BIRD.

THE FOLLOWING FILED MARKS WERE SEEN (FROM INDIVIDUAL NOTES TAKEN IN THE FIELD)

EYE LINE YELLOW

AURICULARS DARK BROWN SURROUNDED BY YELLOW
THROAT YELLOWUPPER BREAST BLOTCHY BLACK ON YELLOW BACKGROUND
SIDES AND FLANKS WITH BLACK STREAKS

BELLEY YELLOW BELOW BLACK

BACK GREENISH (NO MENTION OF STREAKS)

WINGS GREENISH WITH TWO WHITE WING BARS