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Greetings S/la

- Do not much time but try to figure this one out:

24 May 1981 Utah, San Juan Co., Navajo Mt., Rainbow bridge trail @ Nasja creek. 10J w scattered oaks. Time ~ 1400 hrs MDT. A small Vermivora

sized warbler seen feeding in oaks & pinyons @ 15 ft w/rocks birds. Small sharp thin bill face & upper parts wholly gray w/ distinct olive patch on back. Throat & upper breast ~~yellow~~ yellow. Eye w/ faint ring - perhaps broken & more pronounced below appearing as a small whitish spot. All other underparts white including under tail. Wings plain gray w/ w/o wing bar, plumage heavily worn, especially apparent on rectrices. This can only be a Northern Parula (I only had a glimpse as a 2d in W.W.A.) The worn plumage would account for the lack of wing bars. Note on page 124 of the NPS master guide the photo of the ♀ N.R. The bars are wanting somewhat at spot closest at the lower eyering portion. This is the bird I saw but remove

the wing bars. (See other records) as previously mentioned, to send you but must go. keep in touch about setting up a possible Bluff trip for migrant birds this fall

Sincerely
Chuck Baldwin

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Parulines

~~Apr 11 Lucy's Warbler~~

Mar 18 BT Gray Warbler (Ut, San Juan Co,) 2 singing in upper John's Canyon. My 1st of year. (sec's 8 & 9)

Virginia's Warbler (same) two singing in John's Canyon my 1st of year (5 8 $\frac{1}{4}$ sec 8 & 5w $\frac{1}{4}$ sec 9).

Apr 27 Y Rump Warbler (Az, Navajo Co.) Note in the arid brush area (BMPCL) including a ♂ "myrtle" form near J-7 pond. All ♂'s.

May 2 ♂ or -er Warbler (Az, Apache Co.) 1 singing in mesquite thicket (x others) in upper Black Rock Canyon in Canyon de Chelly N.M.

May 24 Northern Parula Warbler (Ut, San Juan Co) Rainbow bridge trail xing of Nasja Creek (soot of Navajo mt) 1 seen feeding in ~~the~~ oaks & pinyons. Seen @ very close range (15') w/ 10x binoculars. Did not know what it was until seen in field guide. Desc: A small Vermivora sized warbler w/ sharp thru bill face & upper parts wholly green w/ distinct olive ~~black~~ patch on back. Throat & upper breast yellow. Eye w/ faint ring more pronounced below creating a "patch" of whitish. all under parts white except as noted. wings plain. Plumage very worn. (readily apparently so it was so worn) Fits all descriptions of ♀ NPW's except wingbars which would disappear on a worn bird. Note disappearing bars as ♀ in photo in ~~the~~ NAS Master Binding Guide.