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Latilong _____ Record type _____ Serial No. _____
 Habitat _____ Disposition _____ Cx Nos. _____

Common Name Northern Waterthrush
 Scientific Name Seiurus noveboracensis
 Obs. date Sept. 5, 1987 Time(s) 11:00, 1:00, 3:00 & 4:00 P.M.
 Duration of obs. approx. five min. of first one, shorter on other two.
 Distance from bird 10-20 yards.
 Light conditions Excellent for all three
 Optical equip. 7x50, 7x35 binocs
 Photo equip. None
 Notes made at time of sighting _____ Date report prepared _____
 Notes made later from memory X

Weather at time of this observation.

Clear & Warm

Prior weather and number of days since change

No idea

Locality - For the first one. For other two
Kaufman's Ranch near Black R.
approx. 25 miles ^{NE} of Milford,
Millard Co., Utah.

Enter number of birds in each category.

GENDER(S)

AGES(S)

PLUMAGE(S)

PHOTO(S)

Total number observed.

Males _____

Adults _____

Breeding _____

Transition _____

Available X

Females _____

Juv/Imms _____

Eclipse _____

Dark phase _____

Enclosed _____

♀ or Imms _____

2/3 yr birds _____

Winter _____

Light ph. _____

Unknowns XUnknowns XOther Regular PlumageDescription of bird: Size, colors, all field marks OBSERVED. - Unique features of this individual, if any.

A bit larger than other warblers (approx. 5½-6 inches in size); grayish head, tail & upperparts & white underparts with blackish stripes.

White line over eye, white under tail coverts.

Flanks were white - not buffy.

Had habit of bobbing its tail (kind of like a Spotted Sandpiper does.

antelope spring,
approx. six-seven
miles east of Kaufman
Ranch. Seen by Jim
Matheson only.

Cudaby mine spr
or ponds about
10 miles (approx.)
north of Kaufman
Ranch. all three
of us saw this pa
icular bird.

Three birds in
three different
locations the sa
day!

Field marks which were not seen. Why not?

None

Variations from expected field marks.

None

List similar species and describe why or how you eliminated them.

Louisiana Waterthrush is similar, but it has the following:

<u>Characteristic</u>	<u>La. Waterthrush</u>	<u>No. Waterthrush</u>
Flanks -	Buffy patch contrasting with rest of underparts	*Whitish - no contrast
Eyeline size & shape -	Wider behind eye; longer.	*More uniform, narrower.
Throat streaking	usually unstreaked	*usually faint streaking (at least on two of the birds we saw)

Besides, the Louisiana Waterthrush would be a long way out of its ~~south~~ range.

Behavior of this bird. Other species seen with this one. Any interaction between birds?

Walked on ground, slowly & constantly bobbing its tail. When it was in a tree it was low, then it would drop down to ground near base of tree, walk quickly (more like a run, actually) to the water & begin foraging. When startled it would fly up to a low limb or fence wire, wait a few moments & then drop back down again & begin feeding.

Habitat at this location. Adjacent or near by habitat, if significant

Slow-moving stream with algae & aquatic vegetation, but not thick - more of an open situation overhung with Russian Olives.

Describe bird's song or sounds.

When it flew it made a sharp "chink" sound - other than that no other sounds were heard.

Print reporter's name, address, phone number

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What is your experience with this or similar birds?

I have seen this particular species only two other times. Have never seen La. Waterthrush.

Corroborating observers not reporting separately.

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