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Observer's Address	Street Address: 5333 Scully Court City: New Tripoli State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 18066 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Rick Wiltraut, Jeff Hopkins, Bill Etter, Matt Loyko, Mike Schall
Species (Common Name)	Pink-footed Goose
Species (Scientific Name)	Anser brachyrhynchus
Number of individuals	1
Have you submitted this to eBird?	Yes
Observation Date and Time	01-05-2013 07:30 AM
County	Lehigh
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Fogelsville
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Fogelsville Quarry - Upper Macungie Park
Habitat	Quarry - Township Park
Distance to bird	75 yards
Viewing conditions	Partly cloudy
Optical equipment used	Sightron SII 8x32 binoculars, Theron Optics Mag82 Spotting scope, Iphone 4 (digiscoping)
Description	Medium sized goose approximately 2/3rds the size of nearby Canada Geese. Dark Brown head, lighter brown neck, gray body, white rump. Bill was black at the tip and base while orange/pink in the middle.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Bird was swimming in the quarry along with a variety of other waterfowl. It appeared to be staying with a small group of Canada Geese amid a much larger flock of Canada Geese present in the quarry.
Separation from similar species (How you eliminated	Lack of black and white on the head and neck along with overall size eliminated it from being a Canada

others)	Goose. Overall dark colorations eliminated Snow and Ross's Goose. Matched digiscoped picture with Audubon' birding application picture for Pink-footed Goose.
Discussion - anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:	I have several digiscoped pictures of the bird from both January 5th and January 6th. Several local birders were also present to observe the bird and confirm the identification.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	Yes
During	Audubon's Birding App
After	Petersen's Birding App
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	Photograph
Upload images, audio, video or drawings	273.JPG 276.JPG 281.JPG 290.JPG 291.JPG
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Submission Date	2013-03-10 01:12:24
Observer's Name	Bill Etter
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Species (Common Name)	Pink-footed Goose
Species (Scientific Name)	Anser brachyrhynchus
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult
Observation Date and Time	01-05-2013 8:45 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/pa/view/checklist?subID=S12509366
County	Lehigh
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Upper Macungie Twp
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Fogelsville Quarry
Habitat	Open water-filled quarry pit
Distance to bird	Hard to estimate...probably 1000 feet, viewed from above
Viewing conditions	excellent
Optical equipment used	8x Celestron binoculars, good Nikon 24-30x scope
Description	Text book description. This goose was with hundreds of Canada geese. It was significantly smaller; chocolate brown head, short neck, and stubby bill which was black at base and at extreme tip, with bright pink coloration between. Adult bird...barred gray plumage overall, especially compared to typical brown Canadas.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird	Floating around on the water; flew a short distance once.

was doing)

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

Unmistakable. Brown head and small, mostly pink bill completely different from what would be expected of Greater White-fronted goose. Furthermore, lacked "white front" of GWFG. Not easily confused with any other expected goose on east coast.

Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:

Seen by many birders, with photos obtained by others.

Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)

100%

During

none

After

none

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