

Submission Date	2014-07-27 14:03:27
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Observer's Address	Street Address: 57 S. 4th St. #2 City: Hamburg State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19526 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Stan Stahl
Species (Common Name)	Cattle Egret
Species (Scientific Name)	Bubulcus ibis
Number of individuals	2
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adults in breeding plumage
Observation Date and Time	07-13-2014 5:30 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
County	Lancaster
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Cocalico
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Middle Creek WMA
GPS coordinates of sighting	40°16'30.6"N 76°13'07.1"W
Habitat	Cut hay field
Distance to bird	50 yds
Viewing conditions	clear day
Optical equipment used	Minolta 8x binoculars
Description	White egret with buff coloring on the crown and back standing 18-20" tall.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Egrets were following flocks of geese around apparty catching bugs stirred up by the flock.

**Separation from similar species
(How you eliminated others)**

Size, buff coloration, shorter bill

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

Yes. I have discussed with several different people and showed them the pictures and they all agree.

During

Kauffman Focus Guides "Birds of North America"

After

Peterson's Field Guides "Eastern Birds"

**Supporting evidence (check all
that apply)**

Photograph

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drawings**



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