

PA Rare Bird Report

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Observer's Address	25 Westgate Drive Mount Holly Springs PA 17065 United States
Names of additional observers	Andrew R Dapkins
Species (Common Name)	White Ibis
Species (Scientific Name)	Eudocimus albus
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Juvenile
Observation Date and Time	07-20-2017 3:30 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist/S38236743
County	Cumberland
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Monroe Township
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Intersection of Boiling Springs Road and West Lisburn Road
GPS coordinates of sighting	40°10'23.8"N 77°04'06.8"W
Habitat	Farmland covered with recent flood water
Distance to bird	50 feet
Viewing conditions	Clear day, no wind, bright sunshine at my back, perfect conditions for ID
Optical equipment used	Bushnell Banner 10x42 Binoculars
Description	Typical Ibis shape first drew me to stop and look at it while driving by. First detail I noticed was the bill which I then Identified as an Ibis. I then started looking at the body colors and leg colors.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Foraging in a flooded farm field. Head down while probing and plucking items from the mud.Moving quickly and jerky at times when food was spotted.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	At first I thought it was a 2nd year Glossy Ibis but after reviews from several well know birders on Facebook (Mike Hudson and Ted Nicholls II) I came to the conclusion that it was a White Ibis.
Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:	I first thought it was a 2nd year Glossy Ibis but after posting pictures and video on Facebook groups "The Facebook Bird ID group of the world" and "Appalachian Audubon Society" several members confirmed that it was an immature White Ibis. The bill was pink and the legs looked pinkish. I also noticed the broken striated pattern on head and neck. There was also a conspicuous white showing from the top of its folded wings around the leading edge and down to an all white underside. I also noticed some kind of bare skin color around the eye but couldn't make out too well. I had a Killdeer to compare it to right next to it and it was about 3 times body length not to include the long neck and bill.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	Yes, after posting pictures and video on Facebook groups as described above I received several positive identifications.
During	IBird App
After	The Cornell Lab of Ornithology All about Birds and Audubon Guide to North American Birds (Both Online Versions)
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	Photograph Video



