

DATE: March 20, 1991

248-01-1991

SUBJECT: Sighting of Sandhill Crane

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TO: Barb Haas, P.O.R.C. Secretary

FROM: Daniel Brauning

Rare Bird Report

The following is a transcript of my field notes of a Sandhill Crane, observed at Haldeman's Island, Dauphin County, on March 6, 1991.

3:05. Large, gray bird observed flying over corn field; pale brownish area at base of primaries; flying with neck extended.

3:10. Standing on ground. Red forehead and crown; white cheek patch, gray body, long legs and bill.

Conditions were good. Observed standing, through 10x40 Zeis optics from range of about 50 meters.

This bird was apparently first observed by Scott Bills, PGC Wildlife Conservation Officer (and very reliable birder), on March 5 and again through the 9th. I don't believe that it's been seen since.

(Note: Although this report certainly may not "illustrate precisely the type of written documentation P.O.R.C. is looking for when considering records or rarities in the state" or deserve any similar accolades, I decided to submit it anyway!)

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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: Sandhill Crane

Date of Sighting: 5 March 1991 to 9 March 1991

Observer(s): Dan Brauning

Date of Submission: 1991 *Deophis*

Submitted by: Dan Brauning

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV	Class V		
					A	B	C
E. Kwater			X				
B. Haas			X				
F. Haas			X				
R. Ickes			X				
G. McWilliams			X				
S. Santner			X				
J. Skinner			X				
TOTALS			7				
DECISION			X				

Comments:

Signature (Secretary):

B. M. Haas

Date:

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