PA Rare Bird Report

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Observer's Address United States

Species (Common Name) Red Phalarope

Species (Scientific Name) Phalaropus fulicarius

Number of individuals

Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Adult in basic plumage Sex (if known)

Observation Date and Time 10-31-2017 2:40 PM

Did you submit this sighting Yes

to eBird?

Link to eBird checklist https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S40241217

County Somerset

Location (City, Borough, Somerset Twp Township)

Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)

Lake Somerset

GPS coordinates of sighting 40.024762, -79.064494

Habitat Open water

Description Small round-bellied bird sitting on the water surface. Straight bill, thin but somewhat blunt, medium length (about equal to the width of head), black with dull yellowish base. Mostly white, with fairly thick black line across eye, and

smooth gray on back, back of neck, and crown.

Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)

that will aid the committee in

evaluating it:

Swimming in small circles, picking at the surface of the water

Separation from similar From Red-necked Phalarope by thicker bill with pale base, and plain gray back species (How you eliminated with no paler edges to feathers. From Wilson's Phalarope by shorter bill and dark patch over eye. others)

Discussion – anything else My photos are distant and not very useful for bill details, but they do show the relevant to the observation lack of any markings on the gray back.

During

Sibley Guide

After

Sibley Guide

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



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