

PENNSYLVANIA RARE BIRD REPORT FORM

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SPECIES (common and scientific name) Sabine's Gull Xema sabini
Subspecies (if known) _____

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS 1 **SEX(ES)** N/A

AGE(S) AND PLUMAGE(S) (e.g. immature; adult in breeding plumage; year for gulls; basic or alternate if you prefer those terms; state of molt if applicable): juvenile

DATE OF OBSERVATION 9/19/03 **TIME** 3:30 pm

LOCATION (city, borough, township) Sugar Bay, Allegheny National Forest

EXACT SITE (e.g. name of park, lake, road) Kinzua Lake, McKean Co, Warren Co. AS IT
flew off

OBSERVER REPORTING:

Name John Fedak
 Address 26 Race St
 City Bradford Pa State PA ZIP 16701
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OTHER OBSERVERS (only those who saw and identified the bird with you):

NONE

HABITAT (e.g. mowed field, woodland edge, any other details) LAKE

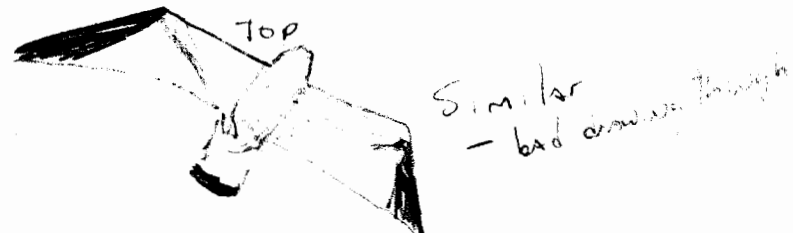
DISTANCE TO BIRD About 1/4 mile, maybe longer

VIEWING CONDITIONS (sky, weather, position of sun relative to you) cloudy, not raining, during isabelle

OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USED Kowa TSN 2

DESCRIPTION (Include as much detail as you observed – size relative to other species present; "jizz"= e.g. posture, body shape, and proportions; colors and patterns of plumage; bill, eye, and leg characteristics; other features relevant to this individual): Size of Bonaparte's Gull, black band on end of tail, white tail, brown mantle, black wing triangle on primaries, white triangle with secondaries + primaries, shaws and M's, brown head, belly

(Please use an additional page if necessary.)



BEHAVIOR (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing) Flew like a Forster's Tern

VOCALIZATIONS
None

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE IF ANY:
Photograph Video recording Audio recording Drawing See front

Photographer/recorder/illustrator:
Name see front
Address _____
City _____ State _____ ZIP _____
e-mail (optional) _____ phone (optional) _____

Please include a copy of the photograph or recording with your report, and accompany it with a complete written documentation if the identification is obvious to you. If you made a drawing, please include it.

IF THIS IS A DEAD BIRD:
General condition _____
If collected (by permit), location and number of specimen if known _____

SEPARATION FROM SIMILAR SPECIES (how you eliminated others) Brown noddie and neck eliminate it, makes a noise with the wing pattern seen

DISCUSSION - Anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it
was looking at a distant jay (wild) on the water as it flew through beyond it in distance, I watched it til it disappeared. I tried to find it later without luck

(Please use an additional page if necessary)

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE WITH THIS AND/OR SIMILAR SPECIES
On a pelagic out at Monterey bay

ARE YOU POSITIVE OF YOUR IDENTIFICATION ? (why or why not) yes - distinctive

REFERENCES CONSULTED:
During observation _____
After observation Sibley, Gulls, National sea

DATE OF THIS REPORT: 11/19/03

SIGNATURE OF OBSERVER [Signature]

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation – Round One

Species: Sabine's Gull (*Xema sabini*)

Date of Sighting: 19 September 2003 to 19 September 2003

Location: SUGAR BAY, ALLEGHENY NATIONAL FOREST

County : WARREN/MCKEAN

Observer(s): John Fedak

Date of Submission: 2003

Submitted by: John Fedak

Written Description: Yes

Photo: No

Specimen: No

Recording: No

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A	Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	Abstain
R. Wiltraut			X					
D. Heathcote			X					
P. Guris			X					
J. Stanley			X					
E. Witmer			X					
R. Leberman			X					
M. Sharp			X					
TOTALS			7					
DECISION			X					

Comments: 7/0

Signature (Secretary)



Date:

9/16/04