

PA Rare Bird Report

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Observer's Address	P.O. Box 135 Revere PA 18953 United States
Species (Common Name)	Little Gull
Species (Scientific Name)	Hydrocoloeus minutus
Number of individuals	3
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	1st winter
Observation Date and Time	05-22-2017 4:20 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Not yet (please do, eBird is great!)
County	Bucks
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Tullytown
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Van Sciver Lakes
Habitat	mudflat
Distance to bird	150 feet
Viewing conditions	cloudy
Optical equipment used	Leica 10x42 binoculars, Leica APO Televid 77
Description	3 gulls that were smaller than the Ring-billed, Laughing and Bonaparte's Gulls that were nearby. Small black bills, orangey legs, black caps.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Feeding and resting on mudflat area. Would occasionally fly around.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

Small size and black caps eliminate everything else. Bold black markings on upper side of wings were visible in flight

Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:

These gulls were present for a few weeks. There are usually young Bonaparte's Gulls at this location that linger into early summer and this year there were 3 Little Gulls!

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

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Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

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