

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2018-07-16 19:51:24
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	101 Bridle Path New Holland PA 17557 United States
<b>Names of additional observers</b>	Zachary Millen, Mike Epler, Meredith Lombard
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Franklin's Gull
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Leucophaeus pipixcan
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	Adult in prebasic molt
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	07-15-2018 7:10 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Link to eBird checklist</b>	<a href="https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S47209810">https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S47209810</a>
<b>County</b>	Lancaster
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Washington Boro
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Conejohela Flats
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	39.983563, -76.475964
<b>Habitat</b>	Mud flats and exposed rocks on Lake Clarke of the Susquehanna River
<b>Distance to bird</b>	20m
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Overcast

**Description**

An adult in prebasic molt with some white coming in around the bill. Wing molt fairly advanced through P6 and numerous greater coverts missing. Short and slim bill, small rounded head, heavy arcs surrounding the rear of the eye, dark mantle, thick white tips to secondaries creating a thick bar, small black triangular wingtips with large white tips to the primaries.

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

First observed on mudbar at the Conejohela Flats, then flew across the river to the vicinity of a gull flock along the York shore. At 10am was refound by Meredith at the rocks out from Blue Ln just south of Columbia where it loafed until at least 1pm.

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

Location listed in the report is the original sighting. 40.019295, -76.500905 is where it was seen at Blue Ln.

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

Yes

**Supporting evidence (check all that apply)**

Photograph

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