

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2014-06-07 23:09:24
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Observer's Address	Street Address: 10283 Jonestown Rd City: Grantville State / Province: Pa Postal / Zip Code: 17028 Country: United States
Names of additional observers	Kathy Becker
Species (Common Name)	Chuck-will's-widow
Species (Scientific Name)	Caprimulgus carolinensis
Number of individuals	1
Observation Date and Time	06-07-2014 8:50 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/pa/view/checklist?subID=S18722262
County	Lebanon
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Union
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Fort Indiantown Gap, along Tomstown Rd 400 yds east of Neuin's Ln
GPS coordinates of sighting	40.457604, -76.602380
Habitat	Open pine woods
Distance to bird	less than 100 yards
Viewing conditions	Clear calm evening, good listening conditions
Description	Heard giving "chuck-widow-widow" call beginning at 8:50 and called continuously for the half hour we were there. Quite close and loud. Distant Whip-poor-wills also calling for comparison.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Seen flying over the lane by my wife Kathy immediately before it began to call. She described it as looking like a nighthawk. Called from several stationary locations over the half hour we were there.

**Separation from similar species
(How you eliminated others)**

Direct comparison with Whip-poor-wills. Also experience at this location since June 2010

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

This bird, presumably, has been found at this location annually since June of 2010. It was not found in early May, when I was expecting it based on the previous three years. Perhaps it was located deeper within the off limits training area where it was inaudible. It may have been pushed out to it's original location due to heavy military training.

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

Yes, have been keeping track of this bird since 2010. Also recorded it on my cell phone

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Audio

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