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Unusual Bird Report

Person submitting data ~~BADE~~ BABE WEBSTER Date SEPT. 17, 98
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Observers BADE Date(s) Seen SEPT. 11-12-13-14-15-16-17
How long observed AS OF TODAY 8 1/2 HRS '98

Where Observed POTTERS LANE & TOWNSHIP LINE ROAD, PLUMSTEAD - PIPERSVILLE, PA.
Conditions of observation I HAVE OBSERVED THE BIRD IN ALL CONDITIONS - SUNNY, OVERCAST, LT. RAIN
(Time of day, weather, distance to bird, optics, etc) USING MY 10X50 BUSHNELL BINOCs. I HAVE GOTTEN AS CLOSE AS 20' WITHOUT SCARING BIRD.

Behavior & Habitat (what was the bird doing, what habitat was it in.)
BIRD SITS ON ELECTRIC WIRES & COMES DOWN TO GROUND MOSTLY CATCHING GRASS HOPPERs. ALSO SITS & HAWKS INSECTS FROM THE TIPS OF SMALL TREES ALONG THE ROAD.

Species WESTERN KINGBIRD Number seen 1
Description (Describe size, color & pattern above & below, head, bill, wings, tail, sex, age, etc. as needed - use drawings on reverse side if helpful.)
GRAY BACK tinged with olive, 9" LONG, GRAY HEAD, BLACK BEAK WHITE UNDER SKIN, THAN GRAY, THAN YELLOW BELLY, BLACK TAIL W/ 2 WHITE OUTER TAIL FEATHERS THAT WERE 1/2 IN WHEN I 1st SAW THE BIRD ON 9/11/98 BUT ARE ALMOST MOLTED IN ALL THE WAY. AS OF TODAY - THURS. SEPT. 17, 98. I HAVE WATCHED THE BIRD EVERY DAY SINCE I DISCOVERED IT ALONG THE ROAD - SOMETIMES WHEN IT IS THERE IN THE MORNING IT MAY NOT BE THERE IN AFT. & VICE VERSA. SOME DAYS IT IS THERE BOTH AM & PM. IT IS NOT THERE IN MID DAY.

Similar Species

(what similar species might it be and how can they be eliminated from consideration.)

CASSIN'S KINGBIRD - DK. BROWN TAIL - NO WHITE OUTER TAIL FEATHERS
COUCH'S KINGBIRD - LARGE BILL w/ DART EAR PATCH - NO WHITE OUTER TAIL FEATHERS
TROPICAL KINGBIRD - BILL IS LARGER THAN CASSIN'S + WESTERN w/ A DARKER EAR PATCH & NO OUTER WHITE TAIL FEATHERS

Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round One

Species: Western Kingbird (*Tyrannus verticalis*)

Date of Sighting: 11 September 1998 to 17 September 1998

Location: PLUMSTEADVILLE

County: BUCKS

Observer(s): Babe Webster, Ann Lessel, Rick Wiltraut

Date of Submission: 1998

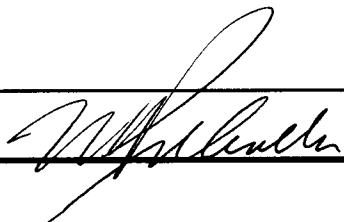
Submitted by: Babe Webster, Ann Lessel, Rick Wiltraut

WRITTEN DESCRIPTION YES PHOTO YES SPECIMEN NO RECORDING NO

Member	Class I	Class II	Class III	Class IV-A				Absta in
					Class IV-B	Class IV-C	Class V	
D. Couchman	X							
T. Floyd								X
P. Hess	X							
R. Ickes			X					
J. McWilliams	X							
B. Reid	X							
P. Rodewald	X							
TOTALS	5		1					1
DECISION	X							

Comments: 6/0/1

Signature (Secretary):



Date:

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