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BIRDS: VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION OF AN EXTRAORDINARY SIGHT RECORD

1. Species: Bohemian Waxwing 2. Number: 1

3. Location: Roderick Wildlife Area ERIE CO. Pennsylvania

4. Date: NOVEMBER 8, 1992 5. Time seen: approx 125 to 128

6. Description of size, shape and color-pattern (describe IN GREAT DETAIL all parts of the plumage, and beak and feet coloration, and overall appearance, but include ONLY WHAT WAS SEEN IN THE FIELD):

VIEW WAS FROM SIDE & REAR. BIRD WAS QUITE NOTICEABLY LARGER THAN ACCOMPANY CEDAR WAXWINGS, probably an inch difference. Birds overall color was grayish-brown. Bird had typical waxwing black face mask, and its head was crested. The secondaries were tipped with white which was quite distinctive, there was also a whitish stripe going up the primary tips. The tail had a yellow tail band. The underside were not visible

7. Describe voice, if heard:

HIGH PITCHED BUZZY NOTE, COMPARED DIRECTLY WITH CEDARS IT WAS LOWER AND MORE BUZZY

8. Describe behavior:

SITTING IN TOP OF TREE WITH SEVERAL CEDAR WAXWINGS

9. Habitat - general: BRUSHY DECIDUOUS AREA

specific: BRUSHY AREA DOTTED WITH SEVERAL LARGE TREES

10. Similar appearing species which are eliminated by questions 6, 7 & 8. Explain:

CEDAR WAXWING: Overall color brown except for grayish tail. Wings lack any yellow or white. Slightly smaller size

11. Distance (how measured):

approx 40-50 feet

12. Optical equipment:

7x42 leitz binoculars

13. Light (sky, light on bird, position of sun in relation to bird and you):

sky was overcast, light was fairly good

14. Experience with species:

have seen several in Ohio, Ontario and out west

15. Other observers:

JIM SMALLWOOD

16. Did the others agree with my observation:

He did not get a good look at the bird

17. Other observers who independently IDENTIFIED this bird:

none known

18. Books, illustrations and advice consulted, and how did these influence this description:

none used

19. How long after observing did you first write this description? Same day from field notes

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Pennsylvania Ornithological Records Committee

Voting Tabulation - Round # 1 of

Species: **Bohemian Waxwing**

Date of Sighting: **8 November 1992**

Observer(s): **John Pogacnik**

Date of Submission: **1992 *Eric***

Submitted by: **John Pogacnik**

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