PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2019-10-30 08:46:54
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Observer's Address	101 Bridle Path New Holland PA 17557 United States
Species (Common Name)	Yellow-headed Blackbird
Species (Scientific Name)	Xanthocephalus xanthocephalus
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult male
Observation Date and Time	01-28-2019 3:30 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/checklist/S52152389
County	Lancaster
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Little Britain Township
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	459 Nottingham Road
GPS coordinates of sighting	39.777703, -76.119851
Habitat	Farm fields and residences
Distance to bird	150m
Viewing conditions	Clear
Optical equipment used	Nikon Monarch 10x42

Description

Adult male YHBL travelling with a river of blackbirds and grackles which I estimated to be at least 1.5M in number. This flock had been in the area since at least late December, with numerous YHBL in the mix. Same size or slightly bigger than RWBL with black body, bright yellow head and breast with white wing patches above in flight. Easy ID when they are adult males! I believe I saw two female/immature types distantly in flight as well but was not positive.

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

In flight with flock of blackbirds and grackles

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

None

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

Yes

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