

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
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Address	Street Address: 179 E Pine Grove Mills Apt 4 City: PINE GROVE MILLS State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 16868 Country: United States
Other observers who saw the bird	Alex Lamoreaux, Anna Fasoli, Ian Gardner
Species (Common Name)	Hoary Redpoll
Species (Scientific Name)	Carduelis hornemanni
Subspecies (if known)	
Number of individuals	1
Have you submitted this to eBird?	Yes
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	adult female or immature male
Observation Date and Time	01-15-2013 09:30 PM
Location (City, Borough, Township)	tormstown
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Susan Ln
GPS coordinates of sighting	40.7811586,-78.0140026
Habitat	yard near forest edge and fields
Distance to bird	50m
Viewing conditions	overcast but no precip
Optical equipment used	binos, scopes

Description	<p>The face was overall very pale gray/white, the breast was mostly white with two streaks down each side of the bird, the rump was white/gray with very little black mottling, the bird's back was frosty gray and brown, the undertail coverts had one or two small spots at most. The red "poll" on the head of the bird was very small and only covered the bird's forehead, not its crown. The nasal feathering was very puffy, making the bill appear much smaller and shorter than nearby Commons. There was no pinkish coloration on the bird's breast. Based on the Sibley character index for redpolls (http://www.sibleyguides.com/2008/01/a-character-index-for-redpoll-identification/), we scored this bird as a 13 or 14, which puts it solidly in the Hoary range. We thought this Hoary Redpoll was likely an adult female or immature male.</p>
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	<p>Twice we saw a very pale, frosty redpoll perched in the birch in Ron's front yard, while we watched from inside Ron's living room. The bird never came down to the feeders, but I was able to get a few distant photos of the bird through the bay window.</p>
Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	<p>See above description, and photos confirm it isn't a Common Redpoll</p>
Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:	
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	<p>Yes</p>
During	<p>Sibley</p>
After	<p>Sibley</p>
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	<p>Photograph</p>
Upload images, audio, video or drawings	<p>IMG_3361.JPG IMG_3380.JPG</p>



