

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2020-05-08 20:09:02
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Observer's Address	9440 Doral Dr Pittsburgh Pa 15237 United States
Names of additional observers	Courtney Sikora Gosser
Species (Common Name)	White-crowned Sparrow
Species (Scientific Name)	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys gambelii</i>
Subspecies (if known)	Gambel's
Number of individuals	1
Observation Date and Time	05-06-2020 5:00 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Not yet (please do, eBird is great!)
County	Allegheny
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Mccandless twp
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Backyard
Habitat	Suburban backyard
Distance to bird	30 feet
Viewing conditions	Shade
Optical equipment used	Nikon d7200 camera with 500mm lens
Description	Seen in backyard from 5/6 through today 5/8
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	Foraging on ground for fallen seeds from feeder.
Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	The lack of black lores and a lighter more orange bill compared to common Eastern type.

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

Yes, good photos obtained. Had several bird experts agree it is a Gambel's subspecies.

Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Video

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