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<b>Observer's Address</b>	Street Address: 520 Baintree Run City: Downingtown State / Province: PA Postal / Zip Code: 19335 Country: United States
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Green-winged Teal
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Anas crecca crecca
<b>Subspecies (if known)</b>	Eurasian
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Have you submitted this to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	Adult male
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	02-10-2013 12:17 PM
<b>County</b>	Chester
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Uwchland, Upper Uwchlan Township
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Upper Uwchlan Township WTP (fellowship road)
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	40.095186,-75.691355
<b>Habitat</b>	Waste water treatment pond
<b>Distance to bird</b>	appx 500 feet
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	light fog, haze
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Swarovski 8.5 X 42 binoculars, Swarovski 20-60mm spotting scope
<b>Description</b>	This appeared as the same size as surrounding Green-winged Teal. Small duck with dark gray flanks, dark gray back, horizontal white line along the upper flanks, lacking a vertical white bar as seen in <i>Anas crecca c.</i> , stood out immediately despite the distance. Additionally, the emerald green facial

markings were distinctly outlined in a buff edging, which stood out even from a distance, and separated the green from the rich ruddy brown color of the head. Creamy yellow triangles on the sides of the under tail coverts.

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

This duck was actively foraging along the edges of the WTP lagoon. It moved in and out of viewing range at times, ultimately moving out of view, allowing for no photo on this date. Photo was obtained on a subsequent visit.

**Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)**

This teal was eliminated from Green-winged Teal (American) due to the lack of vertical white bar on the front of the flanks, and "outlining" of the green facial markings, which GWTE (American) do not portray.  
A hybrid GWTE (American) X GWTE (Eurasian) was ruled out due to lack of vertical bar on flanks.

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

Yes, I am positive. All other species ruled out, hybrid ruled out, and all field marks on the bird are supportive of this subspecies.

**After**

Sibley Guide to NA Birds, National Geographic Birds of NA

**Supporting evidence (check all that apply)**

Photograph

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