

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2014-05-25 16:07:33
Observer's Name	Brian Henderson
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Observer's Address	Country: United States
Species (Common Name)	Mississippi Kite
Species (Scientific Name)	Ictinia mississippiensis
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	adult
Observation Date and Time	05-10-2014 10:00 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S18328410
County	Montgomery
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Norristown
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Norristown Farm Park
GPS coordinates of sighting	40.142599,-75.341987
Habitat	n/a (flyover)
Viewing conditions	Clear day. Lighting was a little harsh (bright), but optimal otherwise.
Optical equipment used	Eagle Optics Ranger ED 8x42
Description	<p>From eBird report (revised a bit):</p> <p>Pale head, solid-colored (slightly darker) body, dark tail, dark primaries, and, when the bird banked just right, pale secondaries. The bird's tail was rather long and flared wide. Long-winged, angular shape.</p>
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	<p>From eBird report (revised a bit):</p> <p>The Kite soared over leisurely, taking its time in doing so, headed northeast. It was not flapping at all, just riding the thermals.</p>

Discussion – anything else relevant to the observation that will aid the committee in evaluating it:

A video of the Kite can be found here:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7BZLF1Q-L4k>
If you need the original file uploaded, please let me know.
The file is more than 100MB.

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Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

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