PA Rare Bird Report

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Observer's Address	653 SCROGGY RD OXFORD PA 19363 United States
Names of additional observers	Benjamin Millar
Species (Common Name)	Least Tern
Species (Scientific Name)	Sternula Antillarum
Number of individuals	2
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult breeding
Observation Date and Time	06-16-2018 9:30 AM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S46583885
County	Chester
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Lower Oxford Township
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Branch of reservoir close to junction of Route 472 and Jackson School Road
GPS coordinates of sighting	39.811351 N, -76.028115 W
Habitat	Freshwater Lake
Distance to bird	Less than 100 feet
Viewing conditions	Excellent
Optical equipment used	Nikon Monarch 10x40 binocular, Canon 7D Mk II DSLR with Canon 100-400mm zoom lens

Description	Two small terns with distinct white foreheads, yellow beaks and black primaries all clearly visible. A little larger than the many Barn Swallows also at the location.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	The birds were closely associating with each other, feeding and calling actively.
Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)	These were clearly terns. The primary marking that led me to identifying them as Least was the white forehead, highly contrasted against the black cap. Secondary to this were the yellow beak, black primaries and small size.
Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not)	Yes - the pictures I managed to obtain were quite good, so I was able to study them closely later as well as in the field.
During	Sibley Birds App
After	Sibley (again), Cornell's All About Birds
Supporting evidence (check all that apply)	Photograph

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