

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2018-12-16 07:07:47
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	1814 Federal Street Unit B Philadelphia PA 19146 United States
<b>Names of additional observers</b>	George L Armistead
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Franklin's Gull
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Leucophaeus pipixcan
<b>Number of individuals</b>	1
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	~adult, in 2nd pre-basic molt
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	10-07-2018 12:30 PM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Yes
<b>Link to eBird checklist</b>	<a href="https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S49018802">https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S49018802</a>
<b>County</b>	Philadelphia
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Philadelphia
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Delaware River Trail, Walmart on Columbus Blvd by pier 68
<b>GPS coordinates of sighting</b>	39°55'27.9"N 75°08'20.7"W
<b>Habitat</b>	Delaware River, adjacent parking lot
<b>Distance to bird</b>	closest was under 15 feet (upon discovery)
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	clear, calm
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	10x42 Zeiss, Canon 7D with 400mm lens
<b>Description</b>	Smallish hooded gull, delicate in proportions to nearby Laughing Gulls.

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

Loafing and cavorting with regular flock of gulls in this area. But flock was restless and picked up and moved several times. 3x I was able to relocate the Franklin's after the flock picked up, but eventually it headed off to the south, and I watched it disappear out of sight.

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

Photograph

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