

## PA Rare Bird Report

<b>Submission Date</b>	2019-08-31 07:01:53
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<b>Observer's Address</b>	1033 Ingram Court Ambler PA 19002 United States
<b>Names of additional observers</b>	None
<b>Species (Common Name)</b>	Anhinga
<b>Species (Scientific Name)</b>	Anhinga anhinga
<b>Number of individuals</b>	2
<b>Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)</b>	Unknown
<b>Observation Date and Time</b>	08-29-2019 7:40 AM
<b>Did you submit this sighting to eBird?</b>	Not yet (please do, eBird is great!)
<b>County</b>	Montgomery
<b>Location (City, Borough, Township)</b>	Intersection of Route 202 and Morris road
<b>Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)</b>	Flying overhead of Normandy Farms
<b>Habitat</b>	Flying overhead; parkland/greenspace/ponds/lakes nearby
<b>Distance to bird</b>	75 meters
<b>Viewing conditions</b>	Clear day (2:30 PM)
<b>Optical equipment used</b>	Naked eye
<b>Description</b>	Saw pair of birds flying overhead in a circling pattern
<b>Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)</b>	See above

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

Silhouette is distinctive and unmistakable. Neck long, narrow and completely straight. Bill long, narrow and sharply pointed. Tail also very long and narrow, slightly broader at tip than base of tail.

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

I am a retired professional ornithologist with more than 40 years experience including ten years exclusively as a seabird biologist who studied Double-crested and Pelagic cormorants. I have also lived in Florida and elsewhere and observed anhingas extensively. So, I know these species extremely well.

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

Yes

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