

PA Rare Bird Report

Submission Date	2020-02-26 17:26:19
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Observer's Address	761 Willow Lane Gap PA 17527 United States
Names of additional observers	John Lahr
Species (Common Name)	Pink-footed Goose
Species (Scientific Name)	Anser brachyrhynchus
Number of individuals	1
Observation Date and Time	02-26-2020 2:40 PM
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Yes
Link to eBird checklist	https://ebird.org/checklist/S65150059
County	Lancaster
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Kleinfeltersville
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Middle Creek WMA
Habitat	Lake with open fields, some scrub areas.
Distance to bird	100 yards.
Viewing conditions	Overcast.
Optical equipment used	Bushnell 10x42 binoculars and a Bausch and Lomb 20-60x 80 spotting scope.
Description	A little smaller than the nearby Snow Geese. It had a brown head and neck, a small, bicolored bill. The bill was black at the base, pink in the middle, and black on the end, with no grin patch.
Behavior (be as detailed as possible about what the bird was doing)	It was just swimming, and preening with the Snow Geese.

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

It was too brown to be a juvenile Snow Goose, and the bill was bicolored with no grin patch. There was no white on the base of the bill like a Greater White-fronted.

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

I had just seen one last week in Lancaster county. This could have been the same bird.

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

Yes. I recently saw the same species, and I know what to look for.

During

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After

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