

PA Rare Bird Report

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Observer's Name	Confidential N/A
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Observer's Address	United States
Submitter's Name (if you are not the original observer)	Scott Brookens

Documentation

Species (Common Name)	King Eider
Species (Scientific Name)	Somateria spectabilis
Number of individuals	1
Age(s) and Plumage(s) and Sex (if known)	Adult Female
Observation Date and Time	Friday, December 18, 2020 10:30
Did you submit this sighting to eBird?	Not yet (please do, eBird is great!)
County	Dauphin
Location (City, Borough, Township)	Susquehanna Township
Exact Site (E.g. Name of park, lake, road)	Just south of the Rockville Bridge

GPS coordinates of sighting 40.33207, -76.91257

Habitat snow packed river

Distance to bird in hand

Viewing conditions Clear Day

Optical equipment used N/A

Description

Female King Eider identified in hand by a waterfowl hunter. I did not observe the bird but later encountered the hunter and questioned him about the bird. He was able to provide a picture and accurate details that led me to believe he was telling the truth about the time and location of him harvesting the bird. I was told to report to PORC so they could update the county records on eBird.

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

The bird was swimming around in a clear area free from snow and ice

Separation from similar species (How you eliminated others)

N/A

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

N/A

Are you positive of your identification ? (Why or why not) Yes it was in hand ID

References Consulted

After Ian Gardner

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Supporting evidence (check all that apply)

Photograph

Upload images, audio, video or drawings



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