



Rare Bird Documentation Submission

1 message

Wed, Dec 12, 2012 at 11:12 AM

To: iorcommittee@gmail.com, [REDACTED]

- 1) Reason for documentation: Unusual species
- 2) Species: Bohemian Waxwing
- 3) Number of birds: 1
- 4) Age/Sex/Plumage: Adult
- 5) Date: 6-Nov-2012
- 6) Location: Chicago Botanic Gardens, Glencoe, Cook Co.
- 7) Observers: Matthew Cvetas
- 8) Your name: Matthew Cvetas
- 9) Mailing address: [REDACTED]
- 10) E-mail address: [REDACTED]
- 11) Others agreeing with the identification: Al Stokie observed the bird one hour earlier
- 12) Others not agreeing with the identification: None
- 13) Description of bird: Large sleek looking waxwing with crested head, dark mask extending over eye bordered in white on the lower half, black throat patch, gray belly, yellow streaking in the wing, and rufous undertail coverts.
- 14) Description of behaviour: Alternating between feeding on cones in junipers with resting in surrounding trees in with a flock of 75-100 Cedar Waxwings
- 15) Description of vocalizations: None
- 16) Description of habitat: Chicago Botanic Gardens with scattered pine plantings, junipers, deciduous trees with Skokie River running through area
- 17) Optical equipment used: Nikon Premier 10x42 binoculars
- 18) Distance/how measured: 25 yards, estimated
- 19) Time of observation: 1:15 pm
- 20) Total time of observation: 15-20 minutes
- 21) Weather conditions: Overcast, light rain, temps in high 30s, low 40s, light winds
- 22) Previous experience: No previous experience with this species, but very familiar with Cedar Waxwing

23) How were similar species eliminated? Eliminated Cedar Waxwing based on larger size, gray belly, rufous undertail coverts

24) Were photos taken? Yes

25) Photographer's name: Matthew Cvetas

26) Books consulted, advice received: None

27) Length of time after field notes were recorded: 1 hour

28) Length of time after this form was completed: One month

29) Additional remarks: Images here.

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