



Rare Bird Documentation Submission

1 message

Wed, Dec 26, 2012 at 10:40
PM

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: 26-Dec-2012
- 6) Location: Chicago Botanic Gardens
- 7) Observers: Jake and Matthew Cvetas
- 8) Your name: Matthew Cvetas
- 9) Mailing address: [REDACTED]
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- 10) E-mail address: [REDACTED]
- 11) Others agreeing with the identification: Jake Cvetas
- 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 fruits of crabapples and resting in Scotch Pine in with a flock of 75 Cedar Waxwings
- 15) Description of vocalizations: none
- 16) Description of habitat: Chicago Botanic Gardens with scattered Scotch pine and crabapples
- 17) Optical equipment used: Nikon Premier 10x42 binoculars
- 18) Distance/how measured: At times 3-5 feet, the bird was right above my head
- 19) Time of observation: 12:30-1pm
- 20) Total time of observation: 30 min
- 21) Weather conditions: Cloudy, overcast, light snow, cold 30 degrees
- 22) Previous experience: Seen in November at this location

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 later

28) Length of time after this form was completed: 9 hours

29) Additional remarks: <http://flic.kr/p/dEzSc9>