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1) This form submitted as supporting documentation of (check all that apply):	Unusual species
If other, please describe:	
2) Species:	White-winged Dove
3) Number of birds:	1
4) Age/Sex/Plumage:	Adult
5) Date:	2016-08-16
6) Location (include county):	Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve (Lake)
7) Observers:	Adam Sell
8) Your name:	Adam Sell
Street Address	
Street Address Line 2	
City	
State / Province / Region	
Postal / Zip Code	
Country	
10) Your e-mail address:	
11) Others agreeing with the identification:	Unknown
12) Observers NOT agreeing with the identification:	None
13) Description of bird (size, shape, proportions, details of both color and pattern on head, back, chin, throat, breast, flanks, wings, undertail, and tail, etc.; coloration of soft parts: bill, legs, and feet) include only details actually seen in the field :	Large dove-sized bird with consistent powered flight and no intermediate flapping with wings tucked in like MODO. Flight was very similar to and reminded me of a ROPI. When I got bins on the bird, I immediately noticed the tan colored body (like MODO) with a white flash on the upperwings contrasting with darker flight feathers. Also, the bird was "heavier" than a MODO with a more chesty giss and a shorter tail outlined with white. The white flash was consistent the entire time I was viewing the bird.
14) Description of behavior:	Flying over with direct, powered flight.
15) Description of vocalizations:	none
16) Description of immediate and surrounding habitat(s):	Open prairie/disturbed grassland with nearby oak ravine habitat and the shoreline of Lake Michigan

17) Optical equipment used for observation (type, power):	Vortex Viper 8x42 HD Binoculars
18) Distance/how measured?	Around 50 yards/Google Maps
19) Time of observation:	08:30 am
20) Total time of observation:	2 minutes
21) Weather conditions:	Partly cloudy skies, and light winds from the NW.
22) Previous experience with this species and similar species:	grew up with WWDO as a kid in Texas and have observed them often on trips back to visit family. Also, very experienced with MODO, with nearly daily observations of the species, including in flight and at a distance.
23) Please eliminate other similar species and/or hybrids:	MODO with melanistic wings leading to a "white flash" is ruled out by flight style (labored and constant), body shape (bird was chesty compared to slim profile of MODO), and lack of long tail feathers that are present in MODO. ECDO is ruled out by tan colored body and white flash in the wings. I can think of no other species that would present as this specific bird did.
24) Were photos obtained?	No
25) If so, by whom?	NA
26) Books and illustrations consulted and advice received. How did these influence this description?:	Sibley was referenced directly after observation. These guides to not influence my decision, but rather confirmed what I had seen in the field, especially the location of the white in the wings.
27) How long after the observation were field notes recorded?	Recorded directly after observation
28) How long after the observation was this form completed?	6 hours
29) Additional remarks (URLs can be entered here):	