

REQUEST FOR MORE INFORMATION

To: Lee Schoenewe

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Sometimes I am on the fence as to whether to include a bird sighting in the report or not, usually because I don't have enough information or the sighting is so unusual that I would like to check on it. I have a choice of making a decision or seeking more information. This form is an attempt to do the latter.

I would appreciate it if you would return this form in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope as soon as possible so that I can make alterations in the report before it is published. Thanks.

Record: Common Eider, 7 Apr 1995, Red Rock Res

Significance: Ann Johnson reported it on 26 March at Saylorsville
I wonder if it moved up and down the river.

Information requested:

confirm date 4/7/95

how well seen (viewing time, distance, view, other details) VIEWED OVER 45 MINUTES IN EARLY EVENING AT CLOSE RANGE. WAS WITH MALE MALLARDS SWIMMING OFF BOAT RAMP

description of bird (as much as you can honestly remember) BELOW DAM. ACTED QUITE TAME. SLOPING FOREHEAD AND TIGHT BARRING ON BREAST AND BODY.

voice (heard?, what was heard?)

can other observers also provide details?

THE BIRD FLEW OFF AND OVER THE DAM AT DUSK. WE SPENT APPROX. 2 HOURS HIKEING BELOW THE DAM ON 4/8 IN THE AM AND DID NOT SEE IT AGAIN.

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