

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: American Flamingo (*Phoenicopterus ruber*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
13
3. Parish:
Terrebonne Parish
4. Specific Locality:
Racoon Island
5. Date(s) when observed: 8/23/2025
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 9:02 AM
7. Reporting observer: Brandon Johnson
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
Andrees Walker, Debbi Logan, Kaila Authement, and Bart Theriot
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
A lot of birders from Louisiana
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): First view low light, second view full sun.
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Soon 400 to 800mm lens and 8.42 binos.
12. Distance to bird(s): 300 to 500 feet
13. Duration of observation: 1 hour
14. Habitat: Partially vegetated barrier island
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): resting and feeding

16. Description (include only what was actually seen, not what "should" have been seen; include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species):

None

17. Voice: None

18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):

Roseate spoons bills, eliminated by beak and length of legs.

19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):

Yes.

20. Previous experience with this species: Zoos and bird reference guides.

21. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

Other birders

22. Identification aids used when?

At time of sighting

23. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain:

Yes

24. Date report completed:

8/25/2025

25. May the LBRC have permission to display in whole or in part this report and accompanying photos on the LOS-LBRC website and LBRC Facebook page?

Yes

26. If yes, may we include your name with the report?

Yes



