

# LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

## REPORT FORM

This form is intended as a convenience in reporting observations of species on the Louisiana Bird Records Committee (LBRC) Review List. The LBRC recommends the use of this form or a similar format when submitting records for review (to assure that all pertinent information is accounted for). Attach additional pages as necessary. Please print or type. Attach xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names: *Broad-billed Hummingbird*, *Cyananthus latirostris*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): *Adult female--returnee (banded winter 2016-17, recapped late Oct 2017 by Nancy Newfield)*.
3. Locality: Parish: Terrebonne  
Specific Locality: Grand Caillou Road, ca. 7 mi south of Houma (home of Jennifer Gibson)
4. Date(s) when observed: *10 November 2017*
5. Time(s) of day when observed: *0700 CST*
6. Reporting observer and address: *Robert C. Dobbs, Lafayette, LA*
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): *None*
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): *Nancy Newfield, Oscar Johnson, et al. in late Oct 2017*
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): *Early morning light under clear, sunny sky. Light on bird varied from deep shade when perching near and foraging at shrimp plants, to bright sunlight when perched up preening and resting*
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): *Swarovski 8x30 binos (good condition), Nikon 300 mm F4 (good condition)*
11. Distance to bird(s): *As close as 5-10 m*

12. Duration of observation: Off-and-on for one hour

13. Habitat: backyard, garden, and border of tall hardwood forest

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Foraging at shrimp plants at shady forest edge (rarely visiting feeder), and perching/resting 3-5 m above ground in sunshine.

15. 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): Female-type hummingbird generally greenish above and grayish below. Greenish crown and back. Blue tail. Pale grayish throat and breast, lacking streaking. Grayish face w/ pale grayish postocular stripe, dark grayish smudgy mask (auriculars). Orange base of mandible visible in sunlight.

16. Voice: Very vocal throughout hour-long observation--very distinct chattering series of "ji-dit" phrases similar to Ruby-crowned Kinglet, but often strung together faster.

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Female White-eared Hummingbird superficially similar, with similar face pattern, but has brighter, more distinct white postocular stripe, more contrasting darker mask, and streaking on breast. White-eared Hummingbird call also different.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? Attached?): Photos and audio by Robert C. Dobbs

19. Previous experience with this species: Have seen many in Arizona, a few in Mexico, and a handful of vagrants (e.g., Utah)

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

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: none

21. This description is written from:   X   notes made during the observation (       notes attached?);        notes made after the observation (date:       );        memory.

22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain: Yes

23. Date: 22 Nov 2017 Time: 0825 CST

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? Yes

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

