

LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

1. English and Scientific names: Broad-billed Hummingbird, *Cynanthus latirostris*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
Solitary Adult Male
3. Parish: Jefferson
Specific Locality: Marengo, Louisiana in woods at corner of Ames Boulevard and Ehret Road
4. Date(s) when observed: February 17, 2016
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:25 P.M.
6. Reporting observer and address: Jon W. Wise, Metairie, Louisiana 70003
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): James Beck
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): Wendy Rihner, Joan Garvey, Mary Mehaffey, Jody Shugart, Missy Bowen, Janine Robin
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Bright sunlight mid afternoon. Bird initially observed in shade but observed at several perches which permitted bird to be seen in full sunlight to observe color of plumage and bill
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Monarch Binoculars(8 power) and naked eye
11. Distance to bird(s): 20-30 feet
12. Duration of observation: 5-6 minutes
13. Habitat: Hardwood, secondary growth area adjacent to subdivisions and drainage canals
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Bird was observed flying and perching. Feeders had been placed in area but I did not observe bird using them.
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, *or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids*): Plumage was bright metallic green body with blue throat. Black, forked tail with white undertail coverts. Bill was bright red with black tip. The bird displayed a direct and hovering flight. It seemed a robust specimen, albeit a small hummingbird.

16. Voice: Consistent with what the field guides describe- a rapid “chi-dit” (I could not have identified the bird by this alone, as it was my first)

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Completely distinctive in color from a ruby throated hummingbird or any other western wintering hummingbirds which I have seen before. The bright red bill was pretty unique as well.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): I did not have a camera, but James Beck photographed the bird that day.

19. Previous experience with this species: None.

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): Ebird, Sibley Guide, and James Beck who was present

a. at time of observation: Ebird

b. after observation: Sibley

21. This description is written from:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: March 8, 2016

Time: 10:48 A.M.

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

