## 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. <u>Attach additional pages or files as necessary</u>. Please print or type for hard copy. For electronic copy, be sure to save this file to your computer before entering text. Attach field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed (if hard copy), mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216, or e-mail electronic copy as an attachment to Paul Edward Conover at <<u>zoiseaux@lusfiber.net</u>.

- 1. English and Scientific names: Brown Booby Sula leucogaster
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
- 1 in basic plumage
- 3. Parish: St. Tammany Specific Locality: Mile Marker 16 of Causeway on West side of the bridge
- 4. Date(s) when observed: September 19, 2015
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed: 10:35 AM

6. Reporting observer and address: Dr. Lehman Ellis, 4123 Woodland Dr., New Orleans, LA 70131

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): None

8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): None

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Clear cloudless sky bird was in full sun and well lit

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): none

11. Distance to bird(s): 50 yards

12. Duration of observation: less than a minute

13. Habitat: middle of the lake

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): flying in a soaring style and banking with dorsal side towards observer

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*): Chocolate brown bird, wedge shaped tail, white conical bill, long narrow wings 16. Voice: None

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): other Boobies and Gannet would have had extensive white and this species has been continuing at this location all summer

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): None

19. Previous experience with this species: Seen in HI, Caribbean, and LA

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): None

a. at time of observation: None

b. after observation: none

## 21. This description is written from:

|   | notes made during the observation. | Are notes attached? |  |
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|   | notes made after the observation.  | At what date?       |  |
| Χ | memory                             |                     |  |
|   | study of images                    |                     |  |

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

Positive

23. Date: September 19, 2015 Time: 7:30 PM

| 24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or |  |
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| portions of this report on its website?Yes                 |  |
| If yes, may we include your name with the report?Yes       |  |