

1. English and Scientific names: Brown Booby (*Sula leucogaster*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 basic juvenile
3. Parish: Richland
Specific Locality:
Poverty Point Reservoir State Park, Poverty Point Parkway on east side of reservoir.
Lat:32.50252334
Long: -91.48143768
4. Date(s) when observed: 11/12/2017
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 08:43
6. Reporting observer and address:
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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): Overcast but uniform good lighting.
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Zeiss 10x42 bins.
11. Distance to bird(s): Between ~50 & 150m
12. Duration of observation: ~ 1min.
13. Habitat: Fresh water reservoir environs.

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation):
Bird observed flying parallel to bank at altitude between approx. 20 to 60 m. I was able to keep fairly close contact as bird flew by driving and intermittently stopping for photos. Bird did not act pressured or apprehensive.

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*): Plain uniformly drab brown Solid with yellow legs and dark bill. Very slightly lighter brown ventrally but no white and tail not pale/white.

16. Voice: Silent

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): No white on ventral surface and tail essentially excludes other Solids and Gannett

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes-myself.

19. Previous experience with this species: Occasional incidental observations on Lake Pontchartrain Causeway and on pelagic trips to Gulf of Mexico.

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

a. at time of observation: Sibley Guide; Peterson Guide

b. after observation: Sibley Guide; Peterson Guide

21. This description is written from:

notes made during the observation.-N Are notes attached?-N

notes made after the observation.-N At what date?-Immediately after.

memory-Y

study of images-Y

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

23. Date: 11/12/2017

Time:17:36

24. 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 _____

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







