

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 or files as necessary. 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 <zoiseaux@lusfiber.net> .

1. English and Scientific names :Bullock's Oriole Icterus bullockii
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1
1st year male
3. Parish: Jefferson
Specific Locality: Colonial Lane, Harahan La.
4. Date(s) when observed:11-24-14, 12-09-14, 12-12-14, 12-13-14, 12-15-14
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:45 pm, 2:00 pm, 9:45 am, 9:30 am
6. Reporting observer and address: Lizette Wroten 27 Colonial Lane, Harahan, La
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Overcast
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Monarch 10.5 x 45 binoculars in good condition, Canon SX50 digital camera
11. Distance to bird(s): 40 ft., 15 ft.
12. Duration of observation: 1 minute 3 times, 3 minutes once, 5 minutes once
13. Habitat: 1. Unused golf course; weedy, grassy fields interspersed with mature trees

(Live Oaks, Bald Cypress, Magnolias, Crape Myrtles, etc.) and dense shrubbery
2. Adjacent residential backyard; Live Oaks, Camellias, Bottlebrushes and lots of flowering nectar plants

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Perched briefly in a small Magnolia tree on the golf course, appeared in Sasanqua camellias and used birdbaths in yard

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*): Medium sized, somewhat slender songbird with a long, pointy bill. Head, breast and undertail coverts orangish yellow, with sooty colored smudging on crown and behind eye. Lore blackish, connecting with black chin and bib. Belly light gray, wings dark gray with one wide and one narrow white wingbar.

16. Voice: Did not vocalize

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Distinguished from imm. Baltimore by dark lores, chin and bib, gray belly and serrated appearance of upper wingbar.

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

19. Previous experience with this species: One possible Bullock's in yard previously.

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

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation: Stokes, Nat Geo and Peterson field guides, BNA Online, Van Remsen

21. This description is written from:

<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: 12-21-14

Time:8:30

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_____