

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Burrowing Owl, *Athene cunicularia*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
one
3. Parish:
Calcasieu
4. Specific Locality:
30.08215, -93.06587 Lionel Derooven Rd., Bell City
5. Date(s) when observed: January 20, 2025
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 2:44 pm
7. Reporting observer: Lawrence Datnoff
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
David Booth, Cheryl Huner and Michele Grioir
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
Same as number 8
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): cloudy
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon P1000
12. Distance to bird(s): 20 ft.
13. Duration of observation: 5 minutes
14. Habitat: open field next to a ditch
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): sitting on fence post and then flew down into the ditch

16. 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):

Owl with thick white eyebrow, yellow eyes, pale spotted brown upperparts, variable spotted and striped underparts

17. Voice: none

18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):
none

19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):
Lawrence Datnoff

20. Previous experience with this species: yes

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

22. Identification aids used when?
At time of sighting

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

24. Date report completed:
January 31, 2025

25. 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

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

