

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 as necessary. Please print or type. Attach xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names: Black-whiskered Vireo *Vireo altiloquus*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1
3. Locality: Parish: Cameron
Specific Locality: Peveto Woods
4. Date(s) when observed: 12 June 2015
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:47 am
6. Reporting observer and address:

Matthew Pontiff
126 Raymond Cole Road
DeRidder, LA 70634
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): none
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): bird in deep shade from canopy and rear half of body somewhat obscured by oak branch
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Canon EOS 40D with Canon EF 500mm F4L lens
11. Distance to bird(s): 40 ft

12. Duration of observation: 3 seconds

13. Habitat: coastal chenier

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): bird was hopping through an oak branch for only a few seconds before one of the YGVI chased it off

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): When I saw the bird, I was thinking it was one of the Yellow-green Vireos and took a photo of it. While taking the photo, I was fairly certain that I saw a whisker mark but since it was so dark, I couldn't be positive until I got home and lightened the photo on a computer. The first photo shows one whisker and the second photo is of the bird looking towards the camera and shows both whiskers.

16. Voice: none heard

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): a whisker mark on each side of the face eliminates all other Vireos

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): terrible documentary photos obtained and are included

19. Previous experience with this species: about half a dozen in LA

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

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: none

21. This description is written from: _____ notes made during the observation (_____ notes attached?); _____ notes made after the observation (date: _____);
__X__ memory.

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

23. Date: 13 June 2015 Time: 5:40pm

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



