LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

- 1. English and Scientific names: Dark Morph Ferruginous Hawk
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): One seen (see pic)
- 3. Parish: Cameron Parish

Specific Locality: Cameron Prairie Headquarters

- 4. Date(s) when observed: January 8, 2015
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed: 2:00 PM
- 6. Reporting observer and address: Thomas Finnie, Sulphur, LA
- 7. Other observers_accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): None accompanying reporter
- 8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): The FEHA has been seen and photographed by others. I am not the original finder.
- 9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Sunny day.
- 10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon D300
- 11. Distance to bird(s): approximately 50 yards
- 12. Duration of observation: five minutes
- 13. Habitat:
- 14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): sitting in tree.
- 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): See picture
- 16. Voice: N/A
- 17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): See picture
- 18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photographed by me.
- 19. Previous experience with this species: None for Dark Morph FEHA.

- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):
- a. at time of observation: None needed: see picture
- b. after observation: None needed: see picture
- 21. This description is written from: _____ notes made during the observation (_____notes attached?); ____ notes made after the observation (date:____); ____ memory.
- 22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain: Yes
- 23. Date: January 9, 2015



