

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: Ferruginous Hawk *Buteo regalis*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): one adult
3. Locality: LOUISIANA: (parish)
Cameron
Specific Locality: just west of 27/82 and Trosclair Rd.
intersection
4. Date(s) when observed: 27 Nov. 2022
5. Time(s) of day when observed: around 2:20 pm
6. Reporting observer and address: B. Mac. Myers 641 S. 5th St. Eunice LA 70535 337-466-1157 budogmacm@gmail.com
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): an Unknown young man, perhaps named Mitchell? Also Rosemary Seidler.
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): bright and clear, good light most of the time
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10x42 Vortex and 22x60 Bushnell
11. Distance to bird(s): variable, as close as 100 yards, maybe less
12. Duration of observation: 10 minutes
13. Habitat: roadside power pole, then flying over road, pasture, etc.

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Perched on power pole; then flying, including some hovering

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): Large buteo. Back streaky and its namesake color. Long gape. Reddish (rusty-chestnut) feathered "leggings. Shorter feathering all the way down the legs, contrasting with the yellow toes. In flight mostly whitish underneath except for the Vee formed by reddish leg feathering, a few dark marks on underwings, especially black commas near bend of wings. Above bold white flash in primaries and tale somewhat pinkish.

16. Voice: N/A

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Plumage characteristics, feathered tarsi and long gape are distinctive in eliminating Red-tailed and Rough-legged among others

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): This bird and two other immature FEHAs were present for several days and were photographed. I am enclosing two photos of this bird perched; was unable to get flight shots

19. Previous experience with this species: Several in LA, as well as out West

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

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: usual guides plus Wheeler's Raptors of Western U.S.

21. This description is written from: x notes made during the observation (notes attached?); notes made after the observation (date:); memory. And from looking at photos

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

23. Signature of reporter: B. Mac. Myers Date: 14
Dec. 2022 Time: 3:45 pm

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_____

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