## 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: Green-breasted Mango (Anthracothorax prevostii)
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1 immature (1<sup>st</sup> winter) female
- 3. Parish: Terrebonne Specific Locality: Diane and Hayes Bailley Residence, Shriever, LA
- 4. Date(s) when observed: 26 January 2024
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:05pm

6. Reporting observer and city/state address

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Reporting observer:	Erik I. Johnson	
City: Sunset		
State: LA		

- 7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Diane Bailley, Justin and Devin Bosler happened to be there at the same time
- 8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): This bird was probably seen by 100+ people over the course of several weeks. Diane kept a list of visitors.
- 9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Overcast.
- 10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Vortex Razor 10x42 binoculars, Nikon D7200 with Sigma 150-600 mm f/4.5-6.3 lens, all in good condition.

11. Distance to bird(s): About 30 feet

12. Duration of observation: 5 minutes

13. Habitat: Residential neighborhood

- 14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Came to feeder, never really landed hover feeding and hover "touch down".
- 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): Very large hummingbird (had a few other "bee" hummingbirds of a couple species at same feeders) with distinct dark stripe running down the throat, breast, and belly. Green above with little white dot behind eye. Tail orangy at the base with broad dark band distally and white spots on outer three tail feathers. In active wing molt with p1-8 replaced, p10 about 90% grown, and p9 about 40% grown (a typically pattern shared across hummingbirds with p10 replacing after p8 and before p9). A little cinnamon still present in throat, suggesting this is its first complete post-juvenile molt (often referred to as a "pushed forward" 2<sup>nd</sup> prebasic molt by Pyle, but I'm not convinced yet this isn't a delayed preformative molt). The bill was thick and slightly curved; might have had a little bit of a deformity at the base with extra swelling. Purple paint on crown indicated it was the same bird banded by Nancy Newfield a couple weeks prior.

16. Voice: Not heard.

- 17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Females/immatures are pretty much distinct among North American hummingbirds. Black-throated Mango of South America is quite similar, and I'm not sure how to tell females apart, except that apparently juvenile Black-throateds don't have the cinnamon color in the throat and breast, which this bird had.
- 18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes, my photos attached.
- 19. Previous experience with this species: None. Lifer. I've seen Black-throated Mango in Amazonian Brazil. I'm familiar with most taxa of hummingbirds documented in Louisiana and southwestern U.S.
- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation: None.

b. after observation: Birds of Peru (Schulenberg et al.), Macaulay Library

21. This description is written from:

	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	
	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	
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X memory

X study of images

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

23. Date: 11 March 2024 Time: 10:25am

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









