

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Glaucous Gull - *Larus hyperboreus*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 nonbreeding adult
3. Parish:
Jefferson Parish
4. Specific Locality:
Grand Isle, LA West Side Beaches
5. Date(s) when observed: Jan 19th
6. Time(s) of day when observed: Late morning
7. Reporting observer: Jennie Leonard
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
None
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
None
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Overcast
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Canon Rebel T6 w/ Sigma 150-300mm telephoto lens
12. Distance to bird(s): 15 feet
13. Duration of observation: 2 minutes
14. Habitat: Intertidal zone and sandy beach near breakwater.
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Walking until it flushed towards Elmer's Island.

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):

A big white gull, bigger than herring and has overall white body.

17. Voice: None

18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):

Herring Gull - was in nonbreeding plumage at the time, and Herring Gulls have dark tail and wing.

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

Yes, attached by me.

20. Previous experience with this species: Seen a couple in Connecticut when I first became a birder, and then was able to ID one on my own here.

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

None

22. Identification aids used when?

None used

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

100%, eBird reviewer Steven Cardiff told me to submit my sighting.

24. Date report completed:

3/22/2024

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



