

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: **Golden Eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*)**
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): **one presumed immature**
3. Locality: LOUISIANA: (parish) **East Baton Rouge**
Specific Locality: **2028 Ovid St, Baton Rouge**
4. Date(s) when observed: **30 November 2020**
5. Time(s) of day when observed: **7:45am**
6. Reporting observer and address: **Dan Lane, 2028 Ovid St, Baton Rouge**
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): **none**
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): **none**
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): **Mostly overcast, with early morning sunlight just hitting the bird on the head**
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): **Zeiss 10x40 bins**
11. Distance to bird(s): **200 m or so**
12. Duration of observation: **1 min**
13. Habitat: **over suburb**
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): **Riding strong NW winds, vaguely following I-10 to SE.**

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): **Huge raptor, clearly an eagle, but with smaller head and more rectangular wings than Bald. White at bases of primaries and tail visible. Photos show golden nape as well.**

16. Voice: **none**

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): **Bald Eagle different shape (saw 4, including 2 immatures, shortly after seeing the Golden), with bigger head, more ragged wings and tail, different placement of white.**

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): **Photos (see below)**

19. Previous experience with this species: **Fairly extensive in Northeast, Colorado, Alaska, and at least three previous records in Louisiana.**

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): **none**

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation:

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. Signature of reporter: Daniel Lane Date: 30
Nov 2020 Time: 10:40am

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 _____



