

# 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](mailto:zoiseaux@lusfiber.net)> .

1. English and Scientific names: Green-tailed Towhee, *Pipilo chlorurus*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):  
1 individual. Unknown age and sex
3. Parish: Cameron  
Specific Locality: Jimmy Savoie Road
4. Date(s) when observed: February 8, 2025
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:04am
6. Reporting observer and address: Katie B. Barnes, 114 Indian Mound Road, Lafayette, LA 70501
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): James Smithers
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): James Smithers
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): morning light conditions, light behind us when taking photos so good lighting to confirm bird ID.
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Leica Trinovid 8x42
11. Distance to bird(s): 3-6 meters
12. Duration of observation: 3 minutes
13. Habitat: shrub/scrub coastal plain
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): continuing bird found on 2024 CBC. Staying low and concealed in brush along Jimmy Savoie Rd. Responsive to pishing, vocalizing some.

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*): sparrow sized, long tail obvious, orange crown (often raised), reddish brown eye, pointed conical bill, gray breast, olive green back, white throat, malar, and lores.

16. Voice: cat-like mew calls, longer, more drawn out than a catbird

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): unique coloration separates this species from others. Contrasting orange crown, green back, and gray breast with a long tail. Unique call once heard, similar to gray catbird but call note more nasally and drawn out.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes, photos.

19. Previous experience with this species: No.

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

a. at time of observation: N/A

b. after observation: Sibley Birds, eBird

21. This description is written from:

<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: 3/29/2025

Time: 14:02pm

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



