

1. English and Scientific names:

Harris's Hawk, *Parabuteo unicinctus*

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):

One Adult

3. Locality: LOUISIANA: (parish) (specific locality)

Cameron Parish, Louisiana. On utility pole near electric power "station" on west side of LA 27 about ¼ north of intersection with LA 82.

4. Date(s) when observed:

October 28, 2017

5. Time(s) of day when observed:

Around 11:55 AM CST.

6. Reporting observer and address:

Jay V. Huner
428 Hickory Hill Drive
Boyce, LA 71409

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):

Michael J. Musumeche

8. Other observers who Independently identified the bird(s):

Kevin Colley, Joelle Finley, Ken Harris and others.

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light):

Bird was on utility pole in plain view with no shadows.

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):

Zeiss 10 x 42. Good condition.

11. Distance to bird(s):

Approximately 300 yards.

12. Duration of Observation:

2 minute.

13. Habitat:

Marsh.

14. Behavior of bird/circumstances of observations (flying, feeding, resting; including and stress habits in identification: relate events surrounding observation):

Bird was perched on utility pole.

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):

Dark brown large hawk. Musumeche noted rufous shoulders before it dropped.

Voice:

Bird was silent.

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

This species is a very unique raptor. Confusion difficult.

17. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? Attached?):

None Taken.

18. Previous experience with this species:

Seen and closely observed in southern Arizona and southern Texas. Also one individual seen and reported in Ascension Parish, LA in 2000.

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

- a. at time of observation:
- b. after observation: National Geographic Field Guide.
- c.

20. This description is written from: ___notes made during the observation (notes attached?); ___note made after the observation (date: _____); _x_ memory.

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

22. Signature of reporter __signed Jay V. Huner__ date_January 12, 2018_ time 8:30 PM