

LBRC Report Form

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
3. Parish:
Cameron
4. Specific Locality:
About 3 miles west of Rockefeller on Hwy 82.
5. Date(s) when observed: 01/Dec/2024
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 11:00 am
7. Reporting observer: Michael Musumeche
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
Cheryl Huner
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):
good light from rear of observer
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10x42 Swarovski
12. Distance to bird(s): about 40 meters
13. Duration of observation: about 10 minutes
14. Habitat: Power pole on side of Hwy 82, marsh habitat
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): perched on power post
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):

Large, all dark brown hawk, with rufous shoulders, yellow beak, white tail tip and white feathering along base of tail.

17. Voice: none noted

18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):
its unique plumage pattern is unmistakable

19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):
yes by Michael Musumeche, Cheryl Huner

20. Previous experience with this species: yes, Rio Grand Valley

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

22. Identification aids used when?
After observation

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

24. Date report completed:
02/Dec/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

