

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> .

1. English and Scientific names: Lesser Goldfinch
Spinus psaltria

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1

3. Parish: Terrebonne

Specific Locality: 608 Glendale, Houma, LA Private Residence of Kaila Authement

4. Date(s) when observed: 2/7/2023

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:16am

6. Reporting observer and address: Kathy Rhodes, 5051 Bridgeport Way, Houma, LA 70360

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

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): Clear skies, early morning light

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):
Nikon Coolpix B600 camera, Nikon Prostaff 3S 10x42 binoculars

11. Distance to bird(s): 15-20 feet estimated through Kitchen Window

12. Duration of observation: 6 minutes

13. Habitat: Small residential backyard with trees and a large variety of feeders and water sources.

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

Flying, catching bugs, landing (flycatching). Eating at feeder with American Goldfinch

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*):

Yellow finch with heavy black on the head

16. Voice: Did not hear

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

American Goldfinch. This bird had obvious black head

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

Photo by me

19. Previous experience with this species: None, Lifer

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

a. at time of observation: was expecting to find this bird when homeowner contacted me. Matches photos in field guide.

b. after observation: none

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

Yes

23. Date: 2.27.2023

Time: 1:02pm

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_____



