

# 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: Rough-legged Hawk *Buteo lagopus*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): one light phase juvenile
3. Locality: Parish: \_\_\_East Carroll  
Parish \_\_\_\_\_  
Specific Locality: \_\_\_US Hwy 65 at Washington Road intersection just south of Transylvania \_\_\_\_\_
4. Date(s) when observed: 2-17-18
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:45 pm
6. Reporting observer and address: Charles Lyon
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Jeff Trahan and Rosemary Seidler
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): This is a continuing bird originally discovered and identified by Van Remsen on 2-13-18.
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): poor with continuous rain
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): binoculars See photos
11. Distance to bird(s): as close as 30 feet
12. Duration of observation: 20  
min
13. Habitat: open agriculture lands with fields, farm buildings with some cover, and nearby pecan groves

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

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): light phase juvenile with white wing panels, and beige tones to axillaries and secondary underwing coverts Buteo with longer slender wings than Red-tailed hawk, dark carpal areas, dark belly contrasting with white streaky chest. Delicate feet and small bill relative to other expected Buteos. White face and head, white tail with broad dark terminal tail band. See photos.

16. Voice:silent

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):Above description and photos eliminate all other Buteos.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):See 10 photos

19. Previous experience with this species: extensive

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

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: several texts to review plumage characteristics and for aging of bird.

21. This description is written from:  X  From my eBird report of 2-17-18 and photos   notes made during the observation (   notes attached?);   notes made after the observation (date:  );   memory.

22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain:yes

23. Date:   2-24-18   Time:   12:45pm

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

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