

# 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)> .

Rough-legged Hawk (Buteo lagoons)

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

Parish: East Carroll

Specific Locality: Orchard and cattle darn at junco. of US Hwy 65 and Washington Rd.: 32.6557801,-91.181792

4. Date(s) when observed: 02/15/2018

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 06:44 AM for 45 min.

6. Reporting observer and address: William Matthews, 3308 Deborah Dr., Monroe, LA, 71201

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

8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): James Van Remsen, Rosalie Overby, Arthur Liles

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

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Zeiss 10x42 bin; B&L Elite 20-60x 80mm scope. Good condition

11. Distance to bird(s):80-200 meters

12. Duration of observation:45 min

13. Habitat:Cattle barn with scattered trees.

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation):Intermittantly flying to various perches from fence post to tree limbs to power poles.

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*):Juvenile light morph. Large buteo with long wings and tail. Buff head and chest with some streaking Dark complete brown belly patch. Fully feathered legs with small feet. Dark eye line and small bill. Black carpal patches under wing. Tail white at base with dark broad tip.

16. Voice:Silent

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):Size, extensive leg feathering, complete belly patch and tail color/pattern differs from there local buteos.

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

19. Previous experience with this species:None

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):Sibley and Peterson bird guides. Lames Van Remsen

a. at time of observation:All of the above

b. after observation:All of the above.

21. This description is written from:

notes made during the observation. Are notes attached?

notes made after the observation. At what date?

memory

study of images

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

23. Date: 02/16/2018

Time:06:99 AM

Yes

If yes, may we include your name with the report? \_Yes\_\_\_\_\_







