

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: White-tailed Hawk, *Buteo albicaudatus*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 adult
3. Parish: Jefferson
Specific Locality: Along Hwy 1, Grand Isle, LA
4. Date(s) when observed: 1/4/2018
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:00 pm
6. Reporting observer and address: Herman Callais Jr, 168 E 120th St Galliano, LA
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): none
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): Bird in foreground of sun to the southwest.
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Sony Cybershot DSC-HX400V camera
11. Distance to bird(s): 150 feet
12. Duration of observation: 30 seconds
13. Habitat: Was on power pole, Gulf Mexico side of highway

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Resting, left after 30 seconds.

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*): Saw white breast and thought at first it might be a Red-tailed Hawk. After editing noticed the breast was all white and head color/size was inconsistent with Red-tailed Hawk.

16. Voice: N/A

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): See answer on question 15

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): yes-2, myself, yes

19. Previous experience with this species: none

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

a. at time of observation: N/A

b. after observation: Kaufman Field Guide to Birds of North America, fellow birder-Jane Patterson

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: 1/5/2018

Time: 1:18 PM

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





