## 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 (Geranoaetus albicaudatus)
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1 adult
- 3. Parish: Cameron Specific Locality: Broussard Rd., ca. 1/2 mi. S of Cox Rd.
- 4. Date(s) when observed: 19 Dec. 2018
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed: 12:08 PM: https://ebird.org/view/checklist/S50800464
- 6. Reporting observer and address: Van Remsen, LSUMNS
- 7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): Mac Myers
- 8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): This is certainly the individual found near here by Jim Delahoussaye a few days before
- 9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): cloudy, glare.
- 10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10X40 binos
- 11. Distance to bird(s): 20 feet very tame
- 12. Duration of observation: 5 minutes

- 13. Habitat: perched in scrubby trees along road through grassy fields
- 14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Perched, silent
- 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*): see photos
- 16. Voice: silent
- 17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): No other buteo has this pattern of white ventral plumage, gray dorsal plumage, reddish brown shoulders, and mostly white tail
- 18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes, by me, attached
- 19. Previous experience with this species: Only a few sightings
- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): none
- a. at time of observation: none
- b. after observation: none
- 21. This description is written from:

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X	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	eBird list	
	notes made after the observation.	At what date?		
X	memory			
	study of images			

- 22. Are you positive of your identification? Yes. If not, explain:
- 23. Date: 31 Jan. 2019

Time:

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









