

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: Say's Phoebe- *Sayornis saya*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 individual, age and sex unknown
3. Parish: Jefferson Davis
Specific Locality: Intersection of Marceaux and Potter Road in Thornwell
4. Date(s) when observed:
03/12/15
5. Time(s) of day when observed:
11:30 am
6. Reporting observer and address:
Casey Wright
PO Box 1109
Grand Isle, La 70358
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
None
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
Seen on previous dates by Rosemary Seidler, Charlie Lyons, Jeff Trahan and many others.
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Light condition ok, bird was not backlit.
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):
Swarovski 10x50 binoculars, good condition. Nikon spotting scope, good condition.
11. Distance to bird(s):
150 feet
12. Duration of observation:
5 minutes

13. Habitat:

Farm land. Bird perched on barbed wire, sallied out from perch to catch insects

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Perched on barbed wire fence where it would wag tail and sallie out from perch to catch insects near ground.

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*): Phoebe with salmon color below and dark above. Black tail and pale wingbars.

16. Voice:

None

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

Similar to Eastern phoebe but with salmon below and lighter backed.

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

Yes, by me.



19. Previous experience with this species:

Seen before in 2013.

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

a. at time of observation:

Sibley Guide; Audubon app

b. after observation:

21. This description is written from:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation. Are notes attached?	Note used in ebird checklist
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation. At what date?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	memory	
<input type="checkbox"/>	study of images	

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

Yes

23. Date: 06/10/15

Time: 14:05

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 _____