## **LBRC Report Form**

- 1. English and Scientific names: American Flamingo Phoenicopterus ruber
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):

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3. Parish:

Terrebonne

4. Specific Locality:

Bayou Dularge Private Property maybe a quarter mile north of Falgout Canal

- 5. Date(s) when observed: 11/07/2023
- 6. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:19 pm
- 7. Reporting observer: Kathy Rhodes
- 8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): Mike Rhodes
- 9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): There were 7 of us total. 5 were non birders but knew the flamingo from zoos and past history.
- 10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Bright. Good sun from the front of the bird.
- 11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Coolpix B600 camera and Nikon Prostaff 3s Binnoculars
- 12. Distance to bird(s): Varied .. 20 to 50 yards
- 13. Duration of observation: 20 minutes
- 14. Habitat: Dirt ponds with marshy areas nearby. Shallow where flamingo was. Others were deeper.
- 15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Bird was calm. Preening and sipping water. Flew off when someone approached a little too close. Did not seemed stressed, seemed happy in the environment with many other bird species.
- 16. 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):

The bird was bright pink with orange tints. Seemed like full adult to me. It was nearby some Roseate Spoonbills and much larger.

- 17. Voice: Did not hear.
- 18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Not sure what is similar in local area.
- 19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Plenty photographs. Video too. Here is You Tube link. https://youtu.be/93b54D4lNTs
- 20. Previous experience with this species: I have seen this species 2 times in Louisiana this year. Once in East New Orleans and once in Cameron Parish.
- 21. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

None

22. Identification aids used when? None used

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

24. Date report completed:

11/7/2023

- 25. 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
- 26. If yes, may we include your name with the report? Yes















