

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: American Flamingo *(*Phoenicopterus ruber*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1

3. Parish: Orleans

Specific Locality: Pond to southeast of US Highway 90, about 5 miles E of intersection with US Highway 11

4. Date(s) when observed: 30 September 2023

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 1120-1140 hours

6. Reporting observer and city/state address

Reporting observer: Christopher G. Brantley
City: Mandeville
State: Louisiana

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Pam Morgan, Heydi Lopes

8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): many observers prior to, during and after observation

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Good

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Swarovski EL 10x42 binoculars, Nikon Coolpix P1000 camera

11. Distance to bird(s): about 100 m (300 feet)

12. Duration of observation: 20 minutes

13. Habitat: open shallow water pond with shrubby vegetation along 3 sides

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): mainly resting, did see if feed briefly

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*): Mostly pink plumage, long pink legs, bill mostly white with dark tip. Feeding with bill inverted underwater

16. Voice: None noted

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): overall larger size than Roseate Spoonbill with larger bill not spatula-shaped

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photo by Christopher G. Brantley attached

19. Previous experience with this species: None

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

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: none

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: 24 December 2023

Time:0930 hours

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 _____

