

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 as necessary. Please print or type. Attach xerox of field notes, drawings, photographs, or tape recordings, if available. Include all photos for more obscurely marked species. When completed, mail to Secretary, Louisiana Bird Records Committee, c/o Museum of Natural Science, 119 Foster Hall, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70803-3216.

1. English and Scientific names: *Black-capped Vireo*, *Vireo atricapilla*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
One, adult male
3. Locality: Parish: Cameron
Specific Locality: Peveto Woods Sanctuary
4. Date(s) when observed: *16 April 2021*
5. Time(s) of day when observed: *0852 and 1529-1532 CDT*
6. Reporting observer and address: *Robert C. Dobbs, Lafayette, LA*
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): *none*
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): *Dan Lane (0852 CDT, by voice at least), Charlie Lyon and Rosemary Seidler (1529 CDT). Several others also saw the bird during this day, including Van Remsen, Joan Garvey, Mark Meunier, et al. Bird was initially discovered 12 April, I believe.*
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): *Bird was in shade during AM encounter, unshaded beneath bright, but cloudy, sky during PM encounter*
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): *Swarovski 8x30 binos (good condition), Nikon AF-S 300 mm 1:4 D camera lens (good condition)*
11. Distance to bird(s): *8-15 m*

12. Duration of observation: 4-5 sec during AM encounter; on-and-off for 2-3 min during PM encounter

13. Habitat: hackberry-honey locust chenier and scrubby borders

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Presumably foraging, for the most part, but bird was difficult to follow for very long; skulky, and would seem to disappear inexplicably for periods of time

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): Straightforward ID... Vireo w/ jet black crown and face, contrasting w/ bright white (bold) eyering, lores, and throat.

16. Voice: During my AM observation (4-5 sec duration), bird sang a couple of times, a snappy, short series of phrases, some raspy, none really musical; "quality" of phrases vaguely recalled Bell's Vireo in the moment

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): No similar species

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? Attached?): Photos by Robert C. Dobbs, pasted below

19. Previous experience with this species: Once in TX

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: X notes made during the observation (notes attached?); notes made after the observation (date:); memory; X images taken during the observation.

22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain: Yes, positive

23. Date: 13 June 2021 Time: 0800 CDT

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



0852 CDT timestamp



1529 CDT timestamp