

# 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: *Bullock's Oriole*, *Icterus bullockii*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1 first year male
3. Locality: Parish: *Jefferson Davis*  
Specific Locality: *Delome Rd.*
4. Date(s) when observed: *12.18.15*
5. Time(s) of day when observed: *1615*
6. Reporting observer and address: *Dan O'Malley*
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): *Light behind observer, bird exposed from shade*
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): *Swarovski EL 10x42, new. Canon 7D Mark II with 100-400mm 4.5-5.6 lens, good.*
11. Distance to bird(s): *~15 meters.*
12. Duration of observation: *<1 minute*
13. Habitat: *Wooded fence line in agricultural/residential landscape. Not too far north form wooded Bayou Chene drainage.*

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Flew across road into oak tree, where seen and photographed 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): Oriole with faint dark line through eye and faint black patch on throat. White edging on median coverts creating saw tooth look. Large pale area on flanks and belly.

16. Voice: N/A

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Baltimore Oriole by presence of throat patch, eyeline, saw toothed pattern on median coverts, and large pale area between bright chest and vent. No other expected oriole in North America shows the combination of an eye line and throat patch seen on this bird.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes Dan O'Malley

19. Previous experience with this species: Once in TX and one drab female in LA.

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

a. at time of observation: None

b. after observation: Sibley's, Nat Geo

21. This description is written from: \_\_\_\_\_ notes made during the observation (\_\_\_\_\_ notes attached?); \_\_\_\_\_ notes made after the observation (date: \_\_\_\_\_);  
\_\_\_x\_\_\_ memory.

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

23. Date: \_\_ 2/4/16 \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_ 1016 \_\_\_\_

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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