LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Burrowing Owl Athene cunicularia)

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):

3. Parish: Calcasieu Parish

4. Specific Locality: Bell City

5. Date(s) when observed: 1/18/2025

6. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:29 am and 2:30pm

7. Reporting observer: Brandon Johnson

8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): Caleb Persia and many others

9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): Known location. Lots of people have seen and documented this bird.

10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Full sun

11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 200 to 600mm lens. Zoomed to 600mm

12. Distance to bird(s): 100ft

13. Duration of observation: 1 hour

14. Habitat: Cow pasture

15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Perched in tire

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):

white eye brows, long legs, short tail. brown and white feathers

17. Voice: none

18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): none

19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photos by Brandon Johnson

20. Previous experience with this species: None

21. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): Sibley's guide

22. Identification aids used when? At time of sighting

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

24. Date report completed: 2/2/2025

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

