

# 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](mailto:zoiseaux@lusfiber.net)> .

1. English and Scientific names: Limpkin *Aramus guarauna*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):  
6 – 1 adult, 5 chicks....sexes and ages unknown
3. Parish: Terrebonne Parish  
Specific Locality: North Hollywood Road at Lake Houmas (eBird lists as stakeout Limpkins, 2018 to present)
4. Date(s) when observed: 4.18.2020
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:30 am
6. Reporting observer and address:  
Kathy Rhodes, 5051 Bridgeport Way, Houma, LA 70360
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): None
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): None
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Good lighting from the front. Birds were in and out of light/shade
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Coolpix B600 camera, fairly new  
Bushnell 10x42 Binnoculars
11. Distance to bird(s): Approximately 35-40 feet
12. Duration of observation: 30 minutes

13. Habitat: overgrown hyacinth covered water, bank with trees and brush

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

Birds were on edge of bank/water. Foraging for food. Chicks were learning from mom, assuming the adult was female, and somewhat foraging on their own also.

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*):

16. Voice: Though I heard a couple of chick peeps, but nothing I had heard before.

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):

Several photographs and a video taken by myself, Kathy Rhodes

19. Previous experience with this species: Been observing the Limpkins in this spot since the day they were first found 1.31.2018

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

None

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation:

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 type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

Absolutely

23. Date: 4.18.2020

Time: 10:50 am

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 \_\_\_\_\_