## 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: 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: 4.15.2020

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:15 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): Mitch Foret was also there
- 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 50 feet
- 12. Duration of observation: 15 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. Adult was foraging for food. Chicks just seemed to be hanging out.

15. Description (include only what was actually seen, <i>not what "should" have been seen</i> ; 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, <i>or for species that are known to hybridize frequently, stress features that help eliminate possible hybrids</i> ):
16. Voice: No vocalizations while I was present
17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation):
18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Several photographs 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:  notes made during the observation. Are notes attached?  notes made after the observation. At what date?  X memory study of images
22. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain: Absolutely
23. Date: 4.16.2020 Time: 10am
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









