

LBRC Report Form

1. English and Scientific names: Red-necked Grebe, Podiceps Grisegena
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
two
3. Parish:
Jackson
4. Specific Locality:
Caney Creek reservoir
5. Date(s) when observed: February 16, 2025
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 2:37 pm
7. Reporting observer: Lawrence E. Datnoff
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):
Michele Giroir
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
just the two of us at the time
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Sunny, windy, 46F, they were in the water between two boat houses, just right of the first small wooden pier
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon CoolPix P1000
12. Distance to bird(s): ~ 500 ft.
13. Duration of observation: 15 minutes
14. Habitat: Lake
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): swimming and diving

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):

Two relatively large grebes with dark gray upperparts and white underparts, largish yellow bill.

17. Voice: None

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

There were some Coots and Scaups nearby and these look completely different from the RNGR

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

The photos attached are from L. Datnoff

20. Previous experience with this species: I saw these in Alaska back in 2022 but they were in their breeding plumage.

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

Sibley V2 and iBird Pro

22. Identification aids used when?

At time of sighting

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

yes

24. Date report completed:

March 3, 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

