

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: Tundra Swan *Cygnus columbianus*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1
3. Parish: Calcasieu
Specific Locality: Pintail Drive Cameron Prairie National Wildlife Refuge
4. Date(s) when observed: Last observed Tuesday, December 27, 2016
5. Time(s) of day when observed: about 5:00 p.m.
6. Reporting observer and address: Deanna Griggs
354 Coushatta Lane
Lake Charles, La 70611
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Gordon Griggs
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): N/A
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): late afternoon light
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Sawarovski 10x42 bins excellent
11. Distance to bird(s): no more than 80 yards
12. Duration of observation: approximately 10 minutes
13. Habitat: Pintail Drive – marshy open water area
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and

stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation):

Swan was observed feeding, preening and resting by itself near a few ducks...then flew off when a driver of another vehicle tapped a horn disturbing the birds in the pool

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*): see photo

16. Voice: N/A

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

No similar species....Snow Goose much smaller....see photo

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photo taken by observing reporter, Deanna Griggs – photo attached

19. Previous experience with this species: First observed on December 14, 2016 (with skilled birder, Michael Musumeche) in pool on Pintail Loop

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

see above #19....continuing bird at this location

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation:

21. This description is written from:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	ebird
<input type="checkbox"/>	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: February 8, 2017

Time: 1:00 p.m.

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_____

