## 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. <u>Attach additional pages or files as necessary</u>. 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 <<u>zoiseaux@lusfiber.net</u>>.

1. English and Scientific names: White-tailed Hawk

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

One near adult

3. Parish: Cameron

Specific Locality: Smith Ridge Road, Johnson Bayou, 1/2 miles east of Deep Bayou Road

4. Date(s) when observed:

14Dev2020

5. Time(s) of day when observed:

11:10 a.m.

6. Reporting observer and city/state address

Reporting observer:	John A. Whittle
City: Nederland	
State:Texas	

7. <u>Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):</u>

Jana Whittle

8. <u>Other observers who</u> *independently identified* the bird(s):

None that weknow of

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light):See attached CBC Rare Bird form

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):

:See attached CBC Rare Bird form

11. Distance to bird(s):

:See attached CBC Rare Bird form

12. Duration of observation:

:See attached CBC Rare Bird form

13. Habitat: :See attached CBC Rare Bird form

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

:See attached CBC Rare Bird form

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 attached CBC Rare Bird form

16. Voice:

:See attached CBC Rare Bird form

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

:See attached CBC Rare Bird form

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

None available

19. Previous experience with this species:

There is at least one and probably two nesting pairs in Jefferson County, Texas (adjacent to Cameron Parish). In addition, we see the bird regularly in Chambers County near Anahuac NWR and in Brazoria County near Brazoria NWR. I recall five or six other sightings in December 2020 so far.

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): None needed

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? The
	CBC form was
	completed and
	submitted to
	compiler in the
	evening of the
	count.
memory	

study of images

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

23. Date: 27 December 2020 Time:6:00 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\_\_\_\_\_

## DETAIL SHEET Johnson Bayon es

Johnson Bayon CBC
SPECIES: White-tailed Hawk (new adult)
DATE: 14 Dec 2020 TIME OF DAY: 11:10 am
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pup Barou Koud.
OBSERVERS (include email address or tel. no.):
John Whittle johnawhittle @ aol.com
Jana Whittle imana for @ asl.com
Jana Whittle jana for D ad-com LENGTH OF SIGHTING: 30 secs to one minute
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DISTANCE AND ELEVATION CASING CONTRACT OF THE CONDITIONS.
LIGHT CONDITIONS: Reasonably good DISTANCE AND ELEVATION: 50 ft and up 45 deg and lower at if flew away OPTICAL EQUIPMENT: 10×42 Control 15
OPTICAL EQUIPMENT: 10x 42 Canon IS binoculars HABITAT: Side of quiet road with march/ponds on south side, moist grussy areas
on north side
VOICE (if heard) None. SIZE OR COMPARISION: Buter appeard about Red-tail size when perched.
BEHAVIOR: Flushed from perch on power fole and flew away north after one circle
DESCRIPTION (bill color, shape or size, leg color, plumage, etc.)
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Buteo shape, dark back, lightunderneath. All whiteil, upper and lower
Long pointed wings. Underwiny white cercept primaries, no patagial dark mark
underwing while texcept primaries, no patagial dark mark
SIMILAR SPECIES AND HOW THEY WERE ELIMINATED:
Red. touled Hawk eliminated by wing shape, lack of patagial mark
Lock of red Intail.
ADDITIONAL REMARKS:
We do not reall cause Q.M. H and dail the a fact of
We do not reall seeing either the narrow dark termed band or the
rections shoulder typical of adult ashire tailed Hank although we know from experience that there can be defined to discern in a briefly
view,
We have considerable experience with white-tailed Hanks in advise t
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