## 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: Setophaga nigrescens, Black-throated Gray Warbler
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): Only 1 male bird seen. A black and white bird with black streaked sides. Black and White face with gray back. White underparts. Black throat. Yellow spot above lores seen clearly.
- 3. Parish: Rapides

Specific Locality: 1516 N. City Park Blvd., Alexandria, LA 71301

4. Date(s) when observed: 11-28-20

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:33 pm

6. Reporting observer and city/state address

Reporting observer: Connie H. Guillory Address: 1516 N. City Park Blvd.

City: Alexandria

State: Louisiana 71301

- 7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): None
- 8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): Stuart Head, my neighbor has seen the bird on 11-26-20 (Thanksgiving). He is 2 houses down on the bayou. David Booth and Jay Huner both observed the bird on 11-28-20 earlier in the day.
- 9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Very overcast, gray day.
- 10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Binoculars (Canon 12x36 IS II) and camera Canon EOS 7D with Canon lens 100-400.

- 11. Distance to bird(s): 25-30 feet
- 12. Duration of observation: 15 minutes
- 13. Habitat: Very old, tall cypress trees line Hynson Bayou in Alexandria. Bird was seen in our yard, which is 1.5 acres along the bayou. Bird observed in the tops of very tall cypress trees that line Hynson Bayou. He came down to mid-level cypress tree next to our driveway near the bridge when I photographed him.
- 14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Foraging and feeding in cypress trees. He seems to be flying with a pack, orange-crowned warbler, pine warbler, kinglets and woodpeckers. The bird never stops moving. See photo of bird eating a small caterpillar in cypress tree.
- 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*):

Black and white bird with black streaked sides. Black and White face with gray back. White underparts. Black throat. I was able to see the yellow spot above the lores.

- 16. Voice: No calls heard
- 17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Perhaps a Black and White Warbler or Carolina Chickadee. However, I could see the black throat and yellow spot above the lores and gray back to rule out similar species.
- 18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): See attached photos
- 19. Previous experience with this species: First saw this bird on 11-21-20, 11-23-20 and 11-27-20 in same location and tree along Hynson Bayou in Alexandria, LA.
- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): I used the reference book *The Warbler Guide* by Tom Stephenson and Scott Whittle a. at time of observation:

b. after observation: I used the reference guide after observation when I had the pictures pulled up on my desktop.

21. This description is written from:	
	notes made during the observation. Are notes attached?
	notes made after the observation. At what date?
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	study of images
22. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain:	
I am positive of my identification	
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23. Date: 11-30-20	
Time: 12:00 pm Date form submitted	
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?YesConnie H. Guillory	







