

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: Couch's Kingbird (*Tyrannus couchii*)
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
one
3. Parish: Caddo
Specific Locality: C. Bickham Dickson Park
4. Date(s) when observed: 01/02/15
5. Time(s) of day when observed: approx. 4 pm
6. Reporting observer and address: Charles Lyon 11055 Seville Quarters Shreveport, LA 71106
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):
none
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): overcast poor light
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):
Swarovski 30-70 power spotting scope 10X42 Swarovski binoculars
11. Distance to bird(s): 30 feet
12. Duration of observation: 10 min
13. Habitat: open park at lake edge
14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): flying about actively calling and responsive to Couch's Kingbird playback
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*): bright yellow-bellied kingbird with brownish notched tail lacking outer white retrices. Thicker billed than western Kingbird actively giving breer and kip call notes

16. Voice: breer and kip calls given ruled out Tropical Kingbird

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

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?):
both submitted photos and video taken through spotting scope and I-phone as I did not have my camera with me

19. Previous experience with this species: extensive with Couch's and Tropical Kingbirds

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

a. at time of observation:
none

b. after observation:
none

21. This description is written from:

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

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

23. Date: 2-2-16

Time: 8 pm

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? _____yes_____

If yes, may we include your name with the report? _____yes_____



