

# 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](mailto: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, age and sex unknown
3. Parish: Calcasieu  
Specific Locality: Choupique Rd just south of Jay Duhon Road at a little pulloff area on the east side
4. Date(s) when observed: 2.27.2020
5. Time(s) of day when observed: approx 6:30 pm
6. Reporting observer and address: Kathy Rhodes, 5051 Bridgeport Way, Houma, LA 70360
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Darlene Eschete
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): None with us.  
Joan Garvey id'ed this bird on eBird a couple of days before. Following that information, we went and found it.
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Bright, sun getting lower in sky
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Coolpix B600
11. Distance to bird(s): 30 feet

12. Duration of observation: 10 minutes

13. Habitat: parking area with trees, bird was near top of tree,

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

We followed directions, pulled into this parking area by chance. We found the bird right away making us very happy.

Bird was in the tree sitting mostly, looking around, and moving to different branches in the same close area.

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*):

16. Voice: Did not hear

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

Tropical Kingbird. I did not differentiate. I counted on the experience of Joan Garvey's report.

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

Yes, I have photographs. (me, Kathy)

19. Previous experience with this species: None, it's a LIFER

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

a. at time of observation: Merlin Bird ID

b. after observation: None

21. This description is written from:

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

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

I feel confident but mostly because of it is where Joan Garvey found it just a day or so

before.

23. Date: 8.23.2020 (I didn't realize I should report it until now)

Time: 12:32pm

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 \_\_\_\_\_



