

## LBRC Report Form

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, good plumage
3. Parish:  
St. Mary
4. Specific Locality:  
About .5 miles before Berwick Boat Launch on River Road.
5. Date(s) when observed: Nov. 24, 2023
6. Time(s) of day when observed: Mid-morning
7. Reporting observer: Michael Musumeche
8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s):  
None
9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):  
None
10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Partly cloudy
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): 10x42 Swarovski
12. Distance to bird(s): 20 feet
13. Duration of observation: 8 minutes
14. Habitat: Tree line next to an elongated pond.
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Bird was actively flying about its chosen location.

16. 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):

Yellow breasted kingbird, greenish dorsum, grayish head, light-colored throat. all dark short tubular beak. This bird was singing from a small tree as I drove up. I recognized its song It quickly responded to a brief playback of its song. Its song was identical to that found in iBird Pro

17. Voice: See #16

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

Tropical Kingbird, smaller rounded head and its vocalization.

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

#7 above

20. Previous experience with this species: I am very familiar with this species from previous Louisiana sightings and in south Texas.

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

22. Identification aids used when?

None used

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

Yes

24. Date report completed:

16/Nov/2023

25. 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

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

Yes



