

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): 1
3. Parish: St. Mary
Specific Locality: River Road, Berwick, LA
4. Date(s) when observed: 1/26/2023
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 3:04 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):
Mike Rhodes
8. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s):
Found this year earlier this day by Frank Garacci.
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Clear skies
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):
Nikon Coolpix B600 camera, Nikon Prostaff 3S 10x42 binoculars
11. Distance to bird(s): 15 yards estimated
12. Duration of observation: 17 minutes

13. Habitat: A tree lined canal maybe 15 yards away from lightly traveled road

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

Flying, catching bugs, landing (flycatching). Vocal.

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*):

Most like Western Kingbird but lacking the white outer tail feathers.

16. Voice: Heard, have recording

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

Tropical Kingbird, distinguished by it's call.

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

Photo and recording by me

19. Previous experience with this species: Saw it here last year, possibly same bird

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

a. at time of observation: expected this species

b. after observation: expected this species

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:

Yes

23. Date: 2.27.2023

Time: 12:52pm

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 _____



