

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):
1
3. Parish:
St. Mary
4. Specific Locality:
29.66440° N, 91.24161° W River Road, Berwick, LA
5. Date(s) when observed: 2.1.2024
6. Time(s) of day when observed: 8:54am
7. Reporting observer: Kathy Rhodes
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): bright, clear, pretty day
11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Nikon Coolpix B600 camera and Nikon Prostaff 3s Binoculars
12. Distance to bird(s): 40 feet
13. Duration of observation: 10 minutes
14. Habitat: Road with grassy area with a few trees, a canal then wooded across the canal. Near Levee of the Atchafalaya River
15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Bird was

sitting near top of tree calling repeatedly. As I walked around nearby it moved a couple of times to other perches.

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 bellied Flycatcher, gray rounded head

17. Voice: heard cha-cheeeeeee

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

Tropical Kingbird's are similar but have longer bill, flatter head and more notched tail

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

Photos by me, Kathy Rhodes

20. Previous experience with this species: Bird has been seen here 2 different times before this time. 1/2023 and 2/2022

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

Merlin did confirm the sound

22. Identification aids used when?

At time of sighting

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

Yes

24. Date report completed:

3.1.2024

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











