

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: **Gray Kingbird** (*Tyrannus dominicensis*)

2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):

1, I think ASY but I'll have to read up on GRKI molts.

3. Parish: **Jefferson**

Specific Locality: **Grand Isle State Park**

4. Date(s) when observed: **5/10/2024**

5. Time(s) of day when observed: **8:50 AM**

6. Reporting observer and city/state address

Reporting observer: **Chloe St. Germain-Vermillion**

City: **New Orleans**

State: **LA**

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): **Jack Rogers**

8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): **David Muth, John Nelson, Kathy Rhodes**

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): **Morning sun with some clouds, not harsh, bird in the open with sun illuminating it.**

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): **Camera: Fujifilm X-T10, Lens XF150-600mmF5.6-8 R LM OIS WR (new) Binoculars: Swarovski binoculars (10X42 good condition)**

11. Distance to bird(s): **about 20 feet**

12. Duration of observation: **10-15 minutes**

13. Habitat: **Saltmarsh scrub/roadside**

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): **Very cooperative, sallying from the power line catching dragonflies and wasps. Stayed on the same power line the entire time we observed it.**

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*): **Large-billed gray Tyrannus flycatcher. Similar to EAKI but with huge bill, gray body, dark smudgy eyeline, and tail lacking white tips.**

16. Voice: **did not vocalize**

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): **EAKI: larger bill, gray body (dark eyeline noticeably contrasts with gray head), tail notched and without white tipping.**

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

19. Previous experience with this species: **Field guides, photo study (this bird is a lifer)**

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

Didn't really need any field guides, was obvious at first look through bins

a. at time of observation:

b. after observation:

21. This description is written from:

notes made during the observation. Are notes attached?

notes made after the observation. At what date?

memory

study of images

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

Yes

23. Date: **5/11/2024**

Time: **1:28 PM**

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**_____



