

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):
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3. Parish: **Cameron**
Specific Locality: **west end of Holly Beach**
4. Date(s) when observed: **24 May 2017**
5. Time(s) of day when observed: **ca. 1:50 PM**
6. Reporting observer and address: **Van Remsen, LSUMNS**
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): **Cameron Rutt, Marybeth Lima, Elisa Elizondo**
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s):
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): **Good – light at our back**
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): **10X50 binos**
11. Distance to bird(s): **ca. 200 ft?**
12. Duration of observation: **off and on for ca. 15 minutes; actual duration several minutes**
13. Habitat: **Corral and telephone wires where tamarisk scrub and other brush border**

marsh, within a few hundred yards or so of Gulf.

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): [Sallying from telephone wires corral fence.](#)

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*): [See photos. We were driving along Holly Beach when out of the corner of my eye I saw this bird and knew it was "good", so I U-turned and headed back to the corral. Then, Cameron Rutt spotted it and called it out as Gray Kingbird immediately.](#)

16. Voice: [Silent](#)

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): [No other *Tyrannus* has combination of huge bill, mostly uniform dull brownish dorsal plumage, including tail, and dull whitish underparts without trace of yellow.](#)

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): [My photos attached. See also video: <https://youtu.be/Po742DI7KUs>](#)

19. Previous experience with this species: [Not much – just 3 previous sightings in LA](#)

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

a. at time of observation: [none](#)

b. after observation: [none](#)

21. This description is written from:

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

22. Are you positive of your identification? [Yes](#). If not, explain:

23. Date: [18 June 2017](#)

Time:

24. May the LBRC have permission to display this report or portions of this report on its website? [Yes](#)

If yes, may we include your name with the report? [Yes](#)

