

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>](mailto:zoiseaux@lusfiber.net).

1. English and Scientific names: MacGillivray's Warbler, *Geothlypis tolmiei*
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
1 adult male (?)
3. Parish: Orleans
Specific Locality: Couturie Forest, City Park
4. Date(s) when observed: 9 March and 16 March 2018
5. Time(s) of day when observed: ca. 1130 (9 March) and 1200 (16 March)
6. Reporting observer and address: James W. Beck 5077 Highland Dr. Marrero, LA 70072
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Linda Kingsland, Philip & Cathy DiSalvo and Joan Garvey
8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s): David Muth, Henry Ruiz, many obs.
9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Varying; bird spends a great deal of time foraging in dense vine tangles, with minimal sunlight, but occasionally pops out in the open for brief views in sunlight. Today was observed foraging in the open branches of a *Morus rubra*.
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Vortex 8x42 Diamondbacks
11. Distance to bird(s): Varying; ca. 15-30 ft.
12. Duration of observation: ca. 10-30 minutes

13. Habitat: Predominately *Quercus virginiana* forest with other hardwood species with lots of underbrush and vines (*Cayratia japonicas*, *Parthenocissus quinquefolia*, *Rubus* spp., *Smilax* spp., etc.)

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Bird spends the majority of the time foraging in dense vine tangles, mostly close to the ground (ca. 3-6 ft.), but has been observed foraging higher as well (ca. 15 ft.).

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*): Bright yellow-colored underparts with pinkish legs. Wings yellowish-green with no wingbars. Back olive-grayish with dark gray hood and darker face with bold white eye arcs above eyes.

16. Voice: Call note, a distinct “*tip, tip*”.

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Mourning Warbler, *Geothlypis philadelphia* lacks bold white arcs in adults and has a distinctly different chip note. Nashville Warbler, *Leiothlypis ruficapilla* has bold white eyering, not arcs, yellow throat, darker legs and distinctly different chip note.

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Yes, by Beck – attached.

19. Previous experience with this species: None

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

a. at time of observation: n/a

b. after observation: Sibley, National Geographic, Google images

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: 16 March 2018
Time: 1535

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 ___

