LBRC Report Form

- 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 ad male
- 3. Parish: Cameron
- 4. Specific Locality:

Peveto Woods

- 5. Date(s) when observed: 10/14/23
- 6. Time(s) of day when observed: mid morning
- 7. Reporting observer: Esme Rosen
- 8. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): James Smithers, who spotted it initially
- 9. Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): Others may have seen the bird at a later date
- 10. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light):somewhat mottled but fairly good
- 11. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Zeiss binoculars
- 12. Distance to bird(s): 4 m
- 13. Duration of observation: 3 min
- 14. Habitat: Coastal woodlot, staying primarily in undergrowth under the cover of the oldest live oaks
- 15. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): initially heard chipping, then seen flying and moving around in the undergrowth. Responsive to playback; did not stay in the open for long, but eventually we lured it out long enough to get photos. Probably a returning bird; an adult male has wintered here the past two years, arriving at almost exactly this date each year
- 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):

two bold eye arcs, pink legs, gray head, black lores, greenish back ad tail, yellow below

- 17. Voice: sharp chip notes given frequently
- 18. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Mourning and Connecticut would not have this bold and broken of eye arcs, especially in adult male plumage like this bird. Call is also diagnostic
- 19. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): One poor photo attached, a better photo by James as well as audio available here https://ebird.org/checklist/S152214877
- 20. Previous experience with this species: Extensive experience in the west, and handful seen in Louisiana as well
- 21. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):
 none
- 22. Identification aids used when? None used
- 23. Are you positive of your identification? If not, explain: yes
- 24. Date report completed: 12/8/23
- 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

