LOUISIANA BIRD RECORDS COMMITTEE

REPORT FORM

- 1. **English and Scientific names:** Brown-crested Flycatcher (*Myiarchus magister*)
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage):
- 3. Locality: Parish: St. Bernard

Specific Locality: Chalmette National Battlefield and Cemetery, Jean Lafitte NHP

and Preserve

- 4. Date(s) when observed: January 02, 2016
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed: 1300 h
- **6. Reporting observer and address:** David P. Muth, 2765 Orchid St., New Orleans, LA 70119.
- 7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also identified the bird(s): various
- **8.** Other observers who independently identified the bird(s): Originally found by C. Riehl, Tom and Jennifer Coulson.
- 9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): overcast but decent light
- **10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition):** Eagle Optics Platinum 10x42, Canon Powershot SX50 HS
- 11. Distance to bird(s): 10-20 yards.
- **12. Duration of observation:** 15 m
- **13. Habitat:** Edge of wet woodlot next to cemetery and battlefield.
- **14.** Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Foraging and moving from perch to perch in mid-level of baldcypress trees on edge of woodlot. I located it after hearing it call. Others were searching nearby.

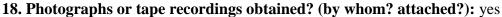
15. Description (include only what was actually seen, *not what "should" have been seen;* include if possible: total length/relative size compared to other familiar species, body bulk, shape, proportions, bill, eye, leg, and plumage characteristics. Stress features that separate it from similar species):

A large (GCFL-sized) *myiarchus*, bright yellow below, gray breast with no olive bleed between yellow and gray; dusky edge to outer retrix parallel to shaft, did not curve around tip.

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16. Voice: frequent "whip" calls.

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Tail pattern and call eliminate other *myiarchus*.





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- **19. Previous experience with this species:** several Louisiana, many out west.
- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):
- a. at time of observation:
- **b. after observation:** Ebird list; **studying photos** yes
- 22. Are you positive of your identification if not, explain: yes
- **23. Date:** March 8, 2016
- 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