

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):**
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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 its 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 retriix parallel to shaft, did not curve around tip.

<http://ebird.org/ebird/view/checklist?subID=S26627562>

16. Voice: frequent “whip” calls.

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

18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): yes



Cropped, brightened.



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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