

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: Fork-tailed Flycatcher Tyrannus savana
2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): One individual seen with a short tail, presumably an immature bird
3. Parish: Jefferson
Specific Locality: Grand Isle State Park next to the laundry building for the RV park.
4. Date(s) when observed: 11/5/2017
5. Time(s) of day when observed: 9:52 till 10:47 we were able to chase the bird as it fed with Scissor-tailed flycatchers along the ridge of the beach.
6. Reporting observer and address: Joan Garvey 1320 New York St., New Orleans, LA 70122
7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Mark Meunier, Bill Bowie, and Beth Wiggins
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): Perfect conditions, full sun
10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Canon EOS 7D Mark II Canon EF400mm f/4 DO IS II USM
11. Distance to bird(s): 15-40 feet
12. Duration of observation: About 45 minutes
13. Habitat: The bird was perched on a power line next to a parking lot in the State Park which is on a barrier island with wax myrtles, rattlebox, grasses and golden rod. Eventually it flew down the beach ridge.

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): The bird was flycatching from the powerline and then shrubs and grasses as it flew with 3 Scissor-tailed Flycatchers.

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*): The bird had a gray back and round, black-capped head. It's wings were darker and the tail was black and forked. The underwing and underparts were white.

16. Voice: none

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Scissor-tailed Flycatcher which was perched next to the bird. It has a salmon peach underwing and underparts and a pale gray head and back.

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

19. Previous experience with this species: None

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification): Mark Meunier had seen the bird the day before.

a. at time of observation: ibirdpro

b. after observation: National Geographic, Sibley's field guides

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 type="checkbox"/>	memory		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	study of images		

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

23. Date: 11/5/2017

Time: 9:52- 10:47

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_____











