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: Gray Kingbird Tyrannus dominicensis
- 2. Number of individuals, sexes, ages, general plumage (e.g., 2 in alternate plumage): 1
- 3. Parish: Plaquemines

Specific Locality: 29.5250x-89.7420

- 4. Date(s) when observed: 4.21.15
- 5. Time(s) of day when observed: 1145
- 6. Reporting observer and address: Dan O'Malley, Baton Rouge
- 7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s): Michael Seymour, Sam Holcomb, Charles Battaglia
- 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): Overhead lighting, bird seen from various angles
- 10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): EO Ranger 8x42, good
- 11. Distance to bird(s): as close as 40 meters
- 12. Duration of observation: ~10 minutes

- 13. Habitat: Utility lines over mowed road shoulder, levee
- 14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): Flycatching from wires
- 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*): Kingbird with large bill, grayish dorsally, whitish ventrally, black mask, notched tail.

16. Voice: NA

- 17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Eastern Kingbird eliminated by gray, not black upperparts, black mask, lack of white terminal tail band, notched tail tip.
- 18. Photographs or tape recordings obtained? (by whom? attached?): Photos by Dan O'Malley (attached), Michael Seymour
- 19. Previous experience with this species: Seen on several occasions in LA and FL
- 20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation: none

b. after observation: Nat Geo, Sibley

21. This description is written from:

	notes made during the observation.	Are notes attached?	
	notes made after the observation.	At what date?	
X	memory		
	study of images		

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

23. Date: 7/1/15 Time:1925 