

# 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](mailto: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 age and sex unknown
3. Parish:  
Specific Locality:
4. Date(s) when observed: 05/06/2020

5. Time(s) of day when observed: 1:34 PM

6. Reporting observer and city/state address

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| Reporting observer: Rosemary Seidler |
| City: Shreveport                     |
| State: Louisiana                     |

7. Other observers accompanying reporter who also *identified* the bird(s):

8. Other observers who *independently identified* the bird(s):

Stakeout bird. Observed and photographed by many.

9. Light conditions (position of bird in relation to shade and to direction and amount of light): Clear skies, bright light, few shadows

10. Optical equipment (type, power, condition): Swarowski 10X binoculars.

11. Distance to bird(s): 20 to 50 feet

12. Duration of observation: 20 minutes

13. Habitat: Sitting on a wire along Hwy 1 near Admiral Craik Dr in Grand Isle

14. Behavior of bird / circumstances of observation (flying, feeding, resting; include and stress habits used in identification; relate events surrounding observation): bird was seen flying down from the wire to the ground where it appeared to catch insects then return to the wire. It was seen doing this 4 times while I observed it.

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 most prominent feature was the very large bill. Gray above white underneath. Black band through the eyes. No wing bars but white along the edges of feathers on the wings.

16. Voice: Did not vocalize while I was there.

17. Similar species (include how they were eliminated by your observation): Eastern Kingbird has smaller bill, is darker gray above, especially the head, and has a white terminal band on the tail.

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

see: <https://ebird.org/checklist/S68504227>

19. Previous experience with this species: Seen in Florida, New Orleans and Biloxi.

20. Identification aids: (list books, illustrations, other birders, etc. used in identification):

a. at time of observation: Sibley. But it was a stakeout bird and the large bill was pretty diagnostic.

b. after observation:

21. This description is written from:

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| <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: 05/12/2020

Time: 7:30 PM

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\_\_\_\_\_















