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Reply-To: iorcommittee@gmail.com

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1) This form submitted as supporting documentation of (check all that apply):	Unusual species
If other, please describe:	
2) Species:	Great Kiskadee
3) Number of birds:	1
4) Age/Sex/Plumage:	Adult
5) Date:	2020-12-06
6) Location (include county):	DesPlaines Conservation Area - Widewaters, Will County
7) Observers:	Tamima Itani and 30-40 other birders
8) Your name:	Tamima Itani
Street Address	██████████
Street Address Line 2	
City	██████████
State / Province / Region	█
Postal / Zip Code	██████
Country	██████████
10) Your e-mail address:	████████████████████
11) Others agreeing with the identification:	~Half the birding community in IL (or so it seems)
12) Observers NOT agreeing with the identification:	Not aware of any observers not in agreement.
13) Description of bird (size, shape, proportions, details of both color and pattern on head, back, chin, throat, breast, flanks, wings, undertail, and tail, etc.; coloration of soft parts: bill, legs, and feet) include only details actually seen in the field :	Bird about the size of an American Robin, bright yellow below, reddish brown above, with a black and white striped head and a thick bill.
14) Description of behavior:	First observed coming to the edge of the water, then perching in the shrubs above the water.
15) Description of vocalizations:	Before seeing the bird, heard its call very remotely twice, its namesake "kis-ka-dee" call.
16) Description of immediate and surrounding habitat(s):	Large body of inland water, surrounded by trees, shrubs and brush, with many of the shrubs offering fruit.
17) Optical equipment used for observation (type, power):	Kowa TSN-883 88 mm PROMINAR PFC Spotting Scope with 25-60x wide zoom eyepiece
18) Distance/how measured?	100 ft, estimate.

19) Time of observation:	02:00 pm
20) Total time of observation:	~5 minutes
21) Weather conditions:	Overcast, with temperatures in the 40s.
22) Previous experience with this species and similar species:	Seen over 20 times in 2018 in Panama and in Peru.
23) Please eliminate other similar species and/or hybrids:	I did not attempt to eliminate other similar species or hybrids, primarily because the features of this bird are so unique for IL, and as its id had already been well established and scores of birders were on site viewing the same bird. A Lesser Kiskadee, which is most like this bird, would be even more improbable in Northern IL, and it size much smaller than the Robin-like size of the IL bird.
24) Were photos obtained?	Yes
25) If so, by whom?	Tamima Itani
26) Books and illustrations consulted and advice received. How did these influence this description?:	<a href="http://allaboutbirds.org">allaboutbirds.org</a>
27) How long after the observation were field notes recorded?	Immediately.
28) How long after the observation was this form completed?	5 weeks
29) Additional remarks (URLs can be entered here):	Link to ebird checklist: <a href="https://ebird.org/checklist/S77165801">https://ebird.org/checklist/S77165801</a>



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