



December 28, 2023

DESERT CONSERVATION PROGRAM PROJECT COMPLETION SUMMARY
Avian Surveys
2017-SWCA-1730P

The work for the above referenced project has been completed. Below is a summary of project related information.

The purpose of the above referenced project was:

The purpose of this project was to continue to build a dataset of presence/absence and relative abundance of avian species on the County's Riparian Reserve Units and at the BCCE by collecting another year of survey data. The long-term goal for these surveys is to quantitatively measure the success of future restoration and management efforts in attracting MSHCP-covered avian species, such as the federally listed Southwestern willow flycatcher and the yellow-billed cuckoo which are known to use this region as breeding habitat.

The major accomplishments or findings of this project include:

During this project, point count surveys were completed at all the County's reserve units, and dedicated surveys were completed for federally listed avian species at properties with suitable habitat. All eight of the avian species covered by the MSHCP were detected at the County's properties. Three MSHCP evaluation species were also detected. Southwestern willow flycatchers were found to be using County property for breeding habitat, resulting in three successful fledglings.

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If you have any questions about this project, please contact DCP Project Manager Stefanie Ferrazzano at (702) 455-6386.