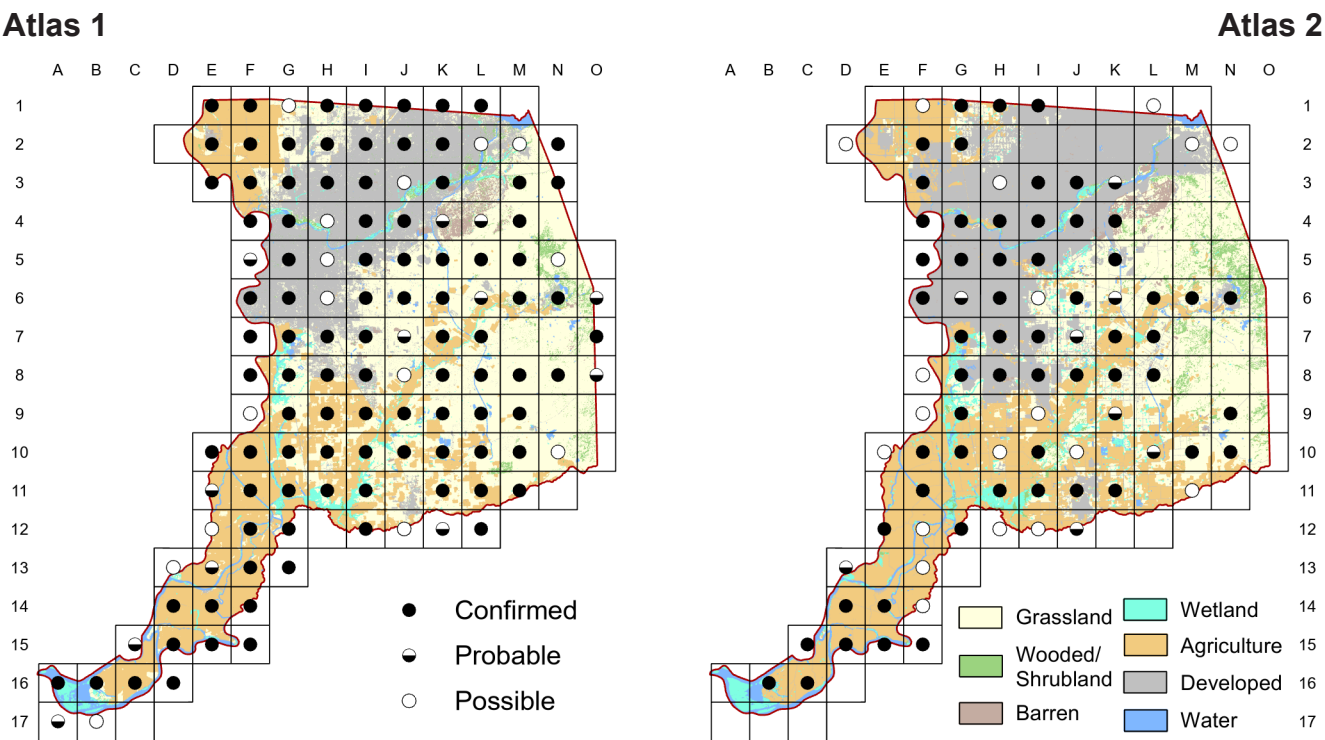
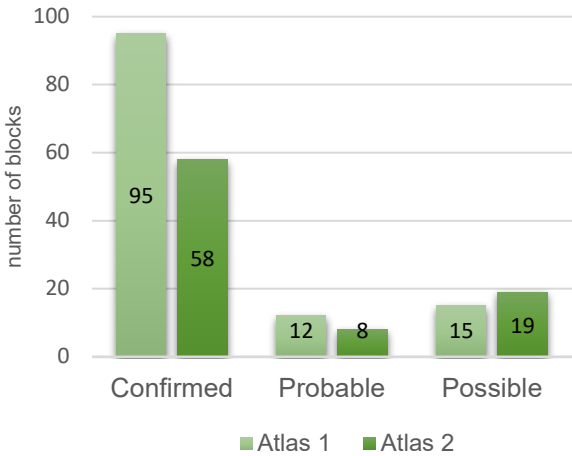


Barn Swallow

*Hirundo rustica*



Comparison of Atlas Results



Despite a proclivity for attaching its nests to human-made structures, the Barn Swallow showed an apparent decline between the two atlases, reflecting the large decline in aerial insectivores that has been recognized nationwide.

Breeding Bird Survey Trend (1966–2019)

California

–1.1% / year<sup>s</sup>

Rangewide<sup>1</sup>

–0.55% / year<sup>s</sup>

<sup>1</sup>North America; <sup>s</sup>significant; Source: Sauer et al. 2020

Breeding Habitat

Open country near water

Nest Type

Mud nest on covered ledge or wall

8 May 2018

Block E-12

A few to several pairs ride the nearby ferry back and forth, as their nests are under the ferry edges, or wings. It's pretty cute.