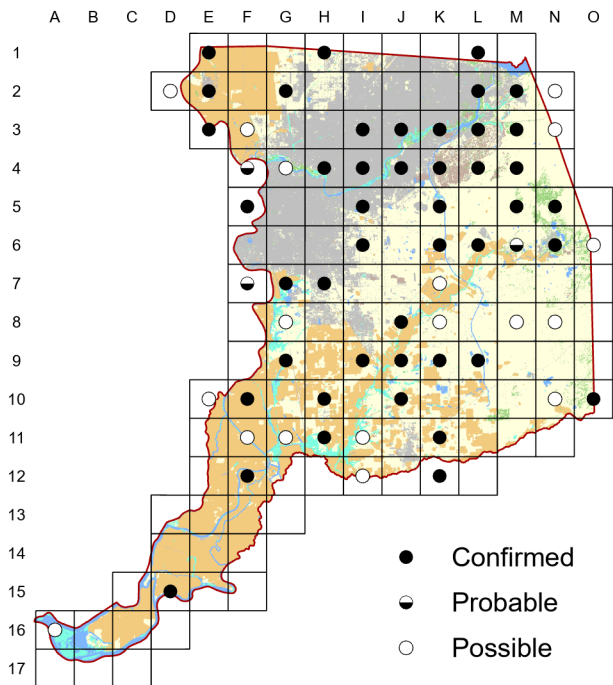
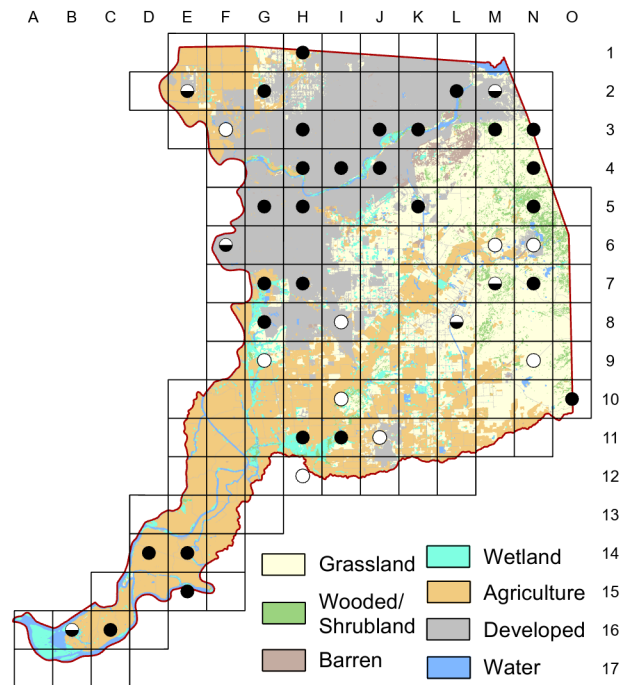


Great Horned Owl *Bubo virginianus*

Atlas 1

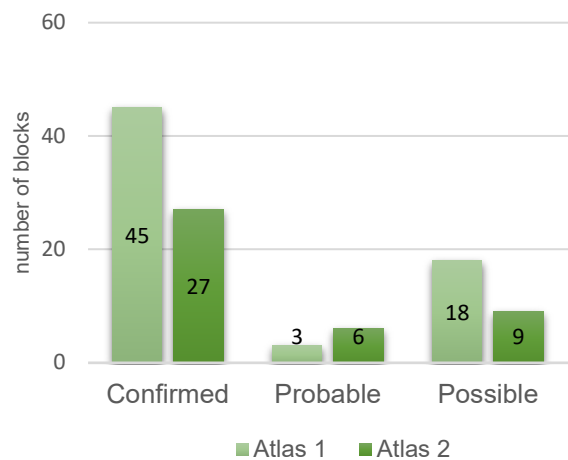


Atlas 2



Comparison of Atlas Results

The apparent lack of Great Horned Owls in the south-central part of the county during Atlas 2 is difficult to explain, and may be an artifact of coverage, as owls are often not well surveyed in atlas projects. The distribution in much of the rest of the county appears relatively unchanged.



Breeding Bird Survey Trend (1966–2019)

California
1.36% / year^s

Rangewide¹
–0.1% / yearⁿ

¹North America; ^ssignificant, ⁿnonsignificant; Source: Sauer et al. 2020

Breeding Habitat

Variety of wooded habitats

Nest Type

Uses stick nests of other large species

9 May 1992

Block D-15

After dinner we visited a nearby marina where employees had informed us that owls nested in the large Eucalyptus trees. We eventually spotted one adult and one young Great Horned Owl.