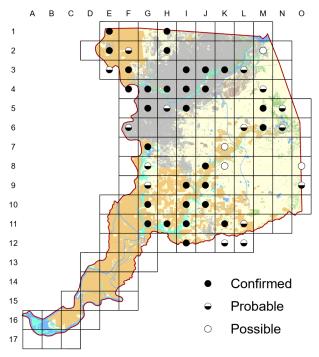
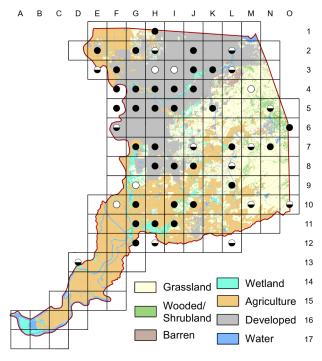
Wood Duck Aix sponsa







Nest box programs have certainly aided the recovery of the Wood Duck in California and elsewhere. We saw an increase in the apparent breeding range of this species between the two atlases. Continued protection of riparian areas and maintenance of nest boxes (as well as retaining snags with natural cavities), should ensure good prospects for this gaudy duck.

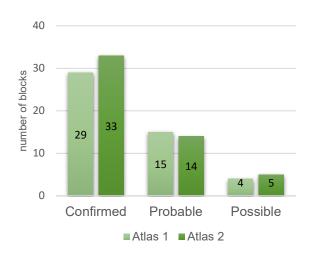
Breeding Bird Survey Trend (1966-2019)

California 1.51% / yearⁿ Rangewide¹ **1.16**% / year^s

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

Breeding Habitat Riparian/wetland habitats

Comparison of Atlas Results



Nest Type
Cavity/nest box near water

14 April 2018 Block I-4

At least six Wood Ducks are incubating eggs in my nest boxes.