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Introduction

The Southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*; hereafter references to willow flycatcher and flycatcher refer to *E.t. extimus*, except where specifically noted) is an endangered bird that breeds only in dense riparian habitats in parts of six Southwestern states (Arizona, New Mexico, southern California, extreme southern Nevada, southern Utah, and southwestern Colorado). Since 1993, hundreds of Southwestern willow flycatcher surveys have been conducted each year, and many new flycatcher breeding sites located. This document synthesizes the most current information available on all known Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites.

This rangewide data synthesis was designed to meet two objectives: (1) identify all known Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites and (2) assemble data to estimate population size, location, habitat, and other information for all breeding sites, for as many years as possible, from 1993 through 2007.

This report provides data summaries in terms of the number of flycatcher sites and the number of territories. When interpreting and using this information, it must be kept in mind that a "site" is a geographic location where one or more willow flycatchers establishes a territory. Sites with unpaired territorial males are considered breeding sites, even if no nesting attempts were documented. A site is often a discrete patch of riparian habitat but may also be a cluster of riparian patches; there is no standardized definition for site, and its use varies within and among states. For example, five occupied habitat patches along a 10-km stretch of river might be considered five different sites in one state but only a single site in another state. This lack of standardization makes comparisons based on site numbers problematic. Researchers for this report generally deferred to statewide summary documents or to local managers and researchers when delineating a site for inclusion in the database. However, to avoid inflating the number of sites and to establish more consistent definitions of the term "site," adjacent and nearby sites from statewide reports were sometimes considered as a single site for the purposes of the rangewide data summary. Any combining or splitting of sites at the rangewide level was done on a case-by-case basis. Because of differences in site definitions, one should not evaluate the

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relative importance of a geographic region (such as drainage, watershed, or state) simply according to the number of flycatcher sites.

A "territory" is an exclusive defended area within a breeding site. Although detailed monitoring studies have identified unpaired territorial males and polygynous males at some flycatcher breeding sites, for the purposes of this report a territory is equivalent to the exclusive breeding area of a pair of flycatchers.

In general, the concept of territory is more similar among states and different investigators than site; thus, it is a more robust unit to use for summaries and comparisons. However, note that the definition of a polygynous territory is not consistent among states; a male polygynously paired with two females would be considered one territory in some states and two territories in other states. For each site, we referred to reports or spoke directly with researchers and managers to gather information such as management entity/agency, location (state, drainage, elevation), gross habitat type (native, exotic, or mixed; dominant tree species), and number of flycatcher territories.

Synthesizing the information on more than 200 breeding sites is challenging because annual data-collection and survey-reporting requirements are not standardized rangewide, and the nature and degree of readily available information varies widely from state to state. This is particularly true for areas such as California, where there are many flycatcher sites but surveyors are not required to submit standardized flycatcher survey forms. The lack of consistent reporting makes it difficult to determine precise survey locations, compare locations between years, standardize site names, and evaluate site-specific characteristics. It also introduces long delays in access to basic site and population information. However, California has instituted a statewide database (coordinated by the U.S. Geological Survey [USGS] San Diego Field Station) that compiles data from an array of investigators; this database has greatly aided the compilation of data at the rangewide level. Although Arizona, California, and New Mexico all compile statewide survey summaries, Colorado, Nevada, and Utah do not have coordinated statewide surveys, and data for these states are compiled at the rangewide level.

This report includes all known flycatcher breeding sites reported between 1993 and 2007. The statistics included herein are based on survey data from the most recent year during which surveys were conducted, whether flycatchers were detected or not. Therefore, data from 173 sites that were not surveyed in 2007 are still included in the site and territory tallies if they had territorial flycatchers during one or more years since 1993. This report does not include data from sites where only migrant willow flycatchers were detected.

Every effort was made to locate and include all available survey information; however, because of delays in reporting for some sites, some 2007-season survey information may not be available until after this report is published in September 2008. New 2007 survey information will be incorporated into future rangewide reports.

Additional Considerations in Using and Interpreting the Data in This Report

Data from a wide variety of sources have been used in this report, and the amount of information and level of detail varied greatly among sites. Because survey methodology varied among sites and between years, these summary data should be interpreted and used keeping this variation in mind. A discussion follows of cautions to consider when using these data.

Subspecies Status of Each Site

The sites entered into this database all fall within the geographic range of the Southwestern subspecies (*E.t. extimus*), as defined by Unitt (1987), Browning (1993), Sogge and others (1997), and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (2002). Recent studies of flycatcher genetics (for example, Paxton, 2000) and song patterns (for example, Sedgwick, 2001) support a more southerly northern range boundary for *E.t. extimus* than was used for the 1999 summary (Sogge and others, 2000). Future research may provide more insight into subspecies range boundaries; therefore, additional sites may eventually be removed from management as *E.t. extimus*, or new geographic areas and sites could be added. This should be considered when producing updates in future years and when making rangewide comparisons among years.

Population Estimates

Population estimates are just that—estimates. Their accuracy and precision vary with survey effort, survey intent, surveyor experience, habitat density, flycatcher behavior, and even background noise levels. The population estimates reported for a site are generally the minimum number of flycatchers that are likely present based on the overall survey results; that is, if surveyors suspected the presence of 12 to 14 flycatchers, the lower (more conservative) number was used. Although estimates may be very accurate for some intensively surveyed sites, there is no method to standardize accuracy across surveys; therefore, the overall statistics presented in this report should be recognized as approximate.

Data Summaries

Changes in the Number of Known Territories over Time

Since 1993, extensive surveys in Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah have greatly increased the number of known flycatcher breeding sites and territories. In 1993, we collected information from 41 sites and estimated that there were 140 territories; in 2007, we compiled data from 288 sites and estimated 1,299 total territories (fig. 1). This increase should not by any means be interpreted entirely as a Southwestern willow flycatcher population increase. Rather, it is to a great extent a function of increased survey effort over time. Although population increases and decreases undoubtedly occur at some sites, movements of birds among sites and the lack of standardized surveys and reporting make it difficult to separate population trends from reporting variances. Determination of trends (positive or negative) can be made in only a few cases, and original data sources (for example, reports and survey data sheets) must be consulted when trying to elucidate population trends.

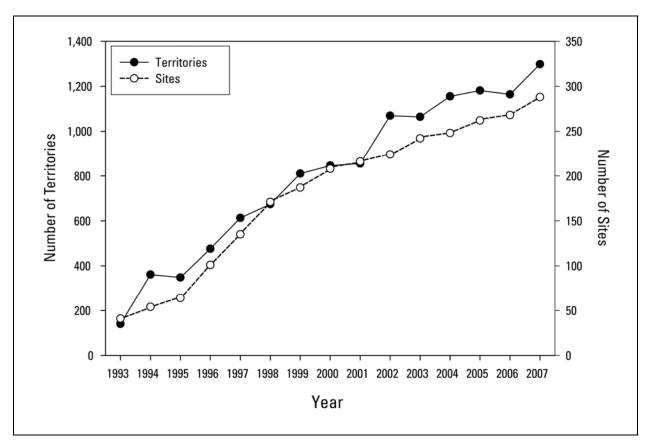


Figure 1. Estimated number of known Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites and territories, from 1993 to 2007. Numbers of sites and territories prior to 2007 have been updated as new information has become available and may be different from past reports.

Numbers of Sites over Time: Surveyed vs. Estimated

Not all of the 288 sites where Southwestern willow flycatcher territories have been discovered over the past 15 years are surveyed every year. However, this compilation includes all sites where flycatcher territories have been detected since 1993, including sites that were not surveyed in 2007. Therefore, the total estimated number of sites (n=288) includes 115 that were surveyed in 2007 and 173 that were last surveyed in 2006 or earlier (fig. 2). The number of sites actually surveyed each year increased from 1993 to 2001, but it has been declining since then. This results in an increasing gap between the total number of estimated flycatcher sites and the number actually surveyed in the most recent year. See the section on Recency of Survey Data (below) and appendix 1 for additional details. The total number of estimated sites is the sum of sites that were actually surveyed in a given year plus the sites that were surveyed in a previous year.

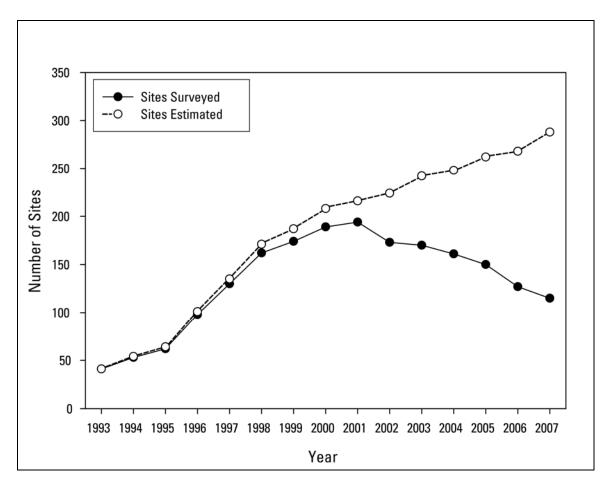


Figure 2. Number of estimated and surveyed Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites from 1993 to 2007. Numbers of sites and territories prior to 2007 have been updated as new information has become available and may be different from past reports.

Numbers of Territories over Time: Surveyed vs. Estimated

As previously noted, not all known Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites are surveyed every year. For sites that were not surveyed in 2007, the number of territories reported in the most recent pre-2007 survey was used as an estimate of the number of territories currently at those sites.

In 2007, the estimated total number of territories (1,299) includes 930 detected in 2007-season surveys, plus 369 territories from sites that were last surveyed in 2006 or before (fig. 3). As with site estimates, the trend over the last several years shows an increasing gap between the number of territories known from recent surveys and the total number of estimated territories. The total number of estimated territories is the sum of territories that were actually detected in a given year plus the territories that were detected in the most recent survey in a previous year. See the section on Recency of Survey Data (below) and appendix 1 for additional details.

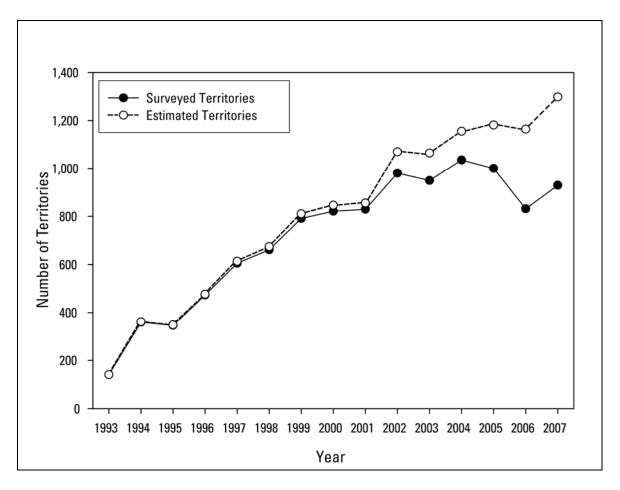


Figure 3. Number of estimated and surveyed Southwestern willow flycatcher territories, from 1993 to 2007. Numbers of sites and territories prior to 2007 have been updated as new information has become available and may be different from past reports.

Recency of Survey Data

As previously indicated, the information used in this report is based on the most recent available survey data for each site. However, not all sites are surveyed every year. Of the 288 sites where Southwestern willow flycatchers have established territories since 1993, only 115 sites were surveyed in 2007 (table 1). Although estimates for some sites are based on older survey data, almost 70 percent of known sites have been surveyed since 2004, and these sites account for over 90 percent of the rangewide estimated number of flycatcher territories. Thus, all data presented in this report are based on the most recent surveys available for a given site. For 115 sites the data are from surveys conducted in 2007; however, for 173 sites the most recent data were collected before 2007.

Table 1. Most recent year of survey data for sites and territories included in this report, as of 2007.

| Year | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites (n=288) | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories (n=1,299) |
|------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 1993 | 1 | 0.3 | 2 | 0.2 |
| 1994 | 1 | 0.3 | 0 | 0.0 |
| 1995 | 1 | 0.3 | 1 | 0.1 |
| 1996 | 2 | 0.7 | 5 | 0.4 |
| 1997 | 4 | 1.4 | 5 | 0.4 |
| 1998 | 4 | 1.4 | 6 | 0.5 |
| 1999 | 6 | 2.1 | 6 | 0.5 |
| 2000 | 3 | 1.0 | 1 | 0.1 |
| 2001 | 29 | 10.1 | 63 | 4.9 |
| 2002 | 21 | 7.3 | 26 | 2.0 |
| 2003 | 15 | 5.2 | 5 | 0.4 |
| 2004 | 25 | 8.7 | 61 | 4.7 |
| 2005 | 29 | 10.1 | 152 | 11.7 |
| 2006 | 32 | 11.1 | 36 | 2.8 |
| 2007 | 115 | 39.9 | 930 | 71.6 |

Distribution of Breeding Sites by Number of Territories

Most Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites are small, both in terms of the number of territories (hosting five or fewer territories, see fig. 4) and habitat patch size. Willow flycatcher territories have disappeared from 142 of the 288 sites tracked since 1993 (see appendix 2 for a list of extirpated sites). All but two of these sites where flycatcher territories are no longer detected comprised five or fewer territories. The two exceptions—the Colorado River inflow to Lake Mead, and the PZ Ranch on the San Pedro River—were larger sites where habitat was affected by flooding and fire, respectively. However, some extirpated sites, including Lake Mead and PZ Ranch, were subsequently recolonized by breeding flycatchers once the riparian habitat recovered.

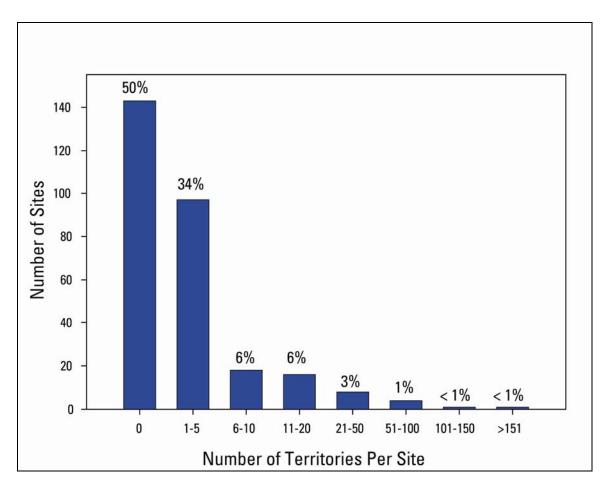


Figure 4. Number of territories at willow flycatcher breeding sites as of 2007.

In some instances, flooding and fire did not result in the total loss of flycatcher breeding habitats, although fires during the breeding seasons in Arizona at the Gila River Kearny Sewage Ponds in 2004 and San Pedro River Dudleyville Crossing sites in 2005 may have reduced suitable breeding habitat. The inundation of Roosevelt Lake and Horseshoe Reservoir in Arizona before the 2005 breeding season dramatically reduced the available riparian habitat at some sites. The long-term impact of flooding and fire at these breeding sites is unknown and should be examined through continued surveys.

Not all birds at the sites where flycatcher territories are no longer detected necessarily died—some of these birds moved to other sites where they attempted to establish breeding territories. This is known to be the case for banded flycatchers that moved from the Verde River Tuzigoot Bridge and PZ Ranch to other sites (Paxton and Sogge 1996; Paxton and others, 1997; Netter and others, 1998). We are also aware of numerous other long-distance flycatcher movements to and from Roosevelt Lake before and after its inundation (Causey and others, 2005). Some of these burned and flooded sites may eventually cycle back into occupancy by breeding flycatchers as a result of changes in habitat quality, an increase in number of nearby territories, or other unknown or undetected factors. Sixty-four sites have been recolonized after at least 1 year of zero territorial flycatcher detections, indicating that previously extirpated sites may be recolonized if conditions such as habitat quality become more suitable in the future. Some of them do currently have territories, and some have repeatedly cycled between occupied and unoccupied status.

If we exclude the sites where territories are no longer detected, the picture remains much the same—the majority of sites (97 of 173; 56 percent) have five or fewer territories. Because most of the 142 sites where birds are no longer detected had very small populations (usually only 1 or 2 territories), their loss does not greatly affect the overall rangewide territory estimates or many of the territory statistics that are reported herein.

Distribution of Territories by State

Arizona, New Mexico, and California account for the greatest number of known Southwestern willow flycatcher sites and territories (table 2). Nevada, Colorado, and Utah account for less than 12 percent of territories, primarily because these states have few known breeding sites occurring far enough south to fall within the range of *E.t. extimus*. Texas is absent from table 2 because there were no survey data or other records to shed light on current status and distribution within that state. See appendix 1 for a version of table 2 that includes updated estimated and surveyed numbers of sites and territories by year and state.

Table 2. Number of Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites and territories by state, as of 2007.

| State | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| Arizona | 124 | 43.1 | 459 | 35.3 |
| California | 96 | 33.3 | 172 | 13.2 |
| Colorado | 11 | 3.8 | 66 | 5.1 |
| New Mexico | 41 | 14.2 | 519 | 40.0 |
| Nevada | 13 | 4.5 | 76 | 5.9 |
| Utah | 3 | 1.0 | 7 | 0.5 |
| Total | 288 | | 1,299 | |

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Distribution of Territories by Drainage

In general, a drainage name has been designated to serve as a functional unit, rather than a defined hydrological unit, as a means to summarize site and territory information. More flycatcher territories are found along the Gila River than any other major drainage (table 3); one of the largest known populations (in the Cliff-Gila Valley, N. Mex.) contributes many of the territories within this drainage. Elsewhere in New Mexico, and in southwest Colorado, most territories are found along the Rio Grande. The primary flycatcher drainages in California are the Kern, Owens, San Luis Rey, Santa Ana, and Santa Margarita Rivers. In Arizona, most flycatchers are found along the Gila, San Pedro, and Salt River drainages. The Virgin River drainage supports the majority of flycatchers in Utah. The Virgin and Pahranagat Rivers support most of the flycatchers in Nevada. Sites along the Colorado River are located in Arizona, California, and Utah. The scale of all drainages in the rangewide summary is not equivalent and the drainage naming convention is specific to a particular watershed.

Table 3. Number of Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites and territories by major river drainage (drainages with >1 percent of total flycatcher territories), as of the 2007 breeding season.

| Drainage | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|
| Big Sandy River | 2 | 0.7 | 22 | 1.7 |
| Bill Williams River | 6 | 2.1 | 17 | 1.3 |
| Colorado River | 41 | 14.2 | 19 | 1.5 |
| Gila River | 50 | 17.4 | 391 | 30.1 |
| Kern River | 2 | 0.7 | 14 | 1.1 |
| Owens River | 5 | 1.7 | 28 | 2.2 |
| Pahranagat River | 4 | 1.4 | 32 | 2.5 |
| Rio Grande | 25 | 8.7 | 303 | 23.3 |
| Salt River | 6 | 2.1 | 41 | 3.2 |
| San Luis Rey River | 9 | 3.1 | 55 | 4.2 |
| San Pedro River | 19 | 6.6 | 171 | 13.2 |
| Santa Ana River | 30 | 10.4 | 28 | 2.2 |
| Santa Margarita River | 3 | 1.0 | 14 | 1.1 |
| Tonto Creek | 1 | 0.3 | 34 | 2.6 |
| Verde River | 7 | 2.4 | 14 | 1.1 |
| Virgin River | 8 | 2.8 | 51 | 3.9 |
| All others* | 70 | 24.3 | 65 | 5.0 |
| Total | 288 | | 1,299 | |

^{*}All others includes drainages that had <1 percent of total territories: Agua Fria River, Agua Hedionda, Amargosa River, Canadian River, Chama River, Hassayampa River, Las Flores Creek, Little Colorado River, Meadow Valley Wash, Mimbres River, Mojave River, San Diego Creek, San Diego River, San Dieguito River, San Felipe Creek, San Francisco River, San Gabriel River, San Juan Creek, San Juan River, San Mateo Creek, Santa Clara River, Santa Cruz River, Santa Maria River, Santa Ynez River, Sulphur Creek, Sweetwater River, and Temecula Creek.

Distribution of Territories by Recovery Unit and Management Unit

The numbers of breeding sites and territories were tallied by recovery unit and management unit (table 4), as defined in the Southwestern Willow Flycatcher Recovery Plan (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2002). Note that in some management units, the number of territories is actually less than the number of sites; this occurs where management units include primarily small sites, one or more of which no longer contains territorial flycatchers as of the most recent survey (that is, "extirpated" sites; see appendix 2).

Table 4. Currently known number of flycatcher breeding sites, territories (as of 2007 data), and number of territories necessary to meet U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recovery criteria, by recovery unit and management unit.

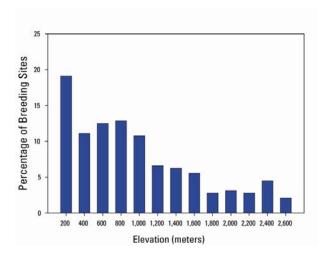
| Management unit | Number of sites | Number of territories | Recovery criteria | | | | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Basin and Moj | ave Recovery Unit | | | | | | |
| Owens | 5 | 28 | 50 | | | | | |
| Kern | 2 | 14 | 75 | | | | | |
| Amargosa | 3 | 1 | 25 | | | | | |
| Mojave | 7 | 4 | 25 | | | | | |
| Salton | 1 | 4 | 25 | | | | | |
| Total | 18 | 51 | 200 | | | | | |
| | Costal Californ | nia Recovery Unit | | | | | | |
| Santa Ynez | 4 | 7 | 75 | | | | | |
| Santa Clara | 12 | 8 | 25 | | | | | |
| Santa Ana | 33 | 28 | 50 | | | | | |
| San Diego | 24 | 77 | 125 | | | | | |
| Total | 73 | 120 | 275 | | | | | |
| Gila Recovery Unit | | | | | | | | |
| Verde | 7 | 14 | 50 | | | | | |
| Hassayampa—Agua Fria | 2 | 1 | 25 | | | | | |
| Roosevelt | 7 | 75 | 50 | | | | | |
| San Francisco | 4 | 7 | 25 | | | | | |
| Upper Gila | 22 | 329 | 325 | | | | | |
| Gila—San Pedro | 46 | 233 | 150 | | | | | |
| Santa Cruz | 1 | 0 | 25 | | | | | |
| Total | 89 | 659 | 650 | | | | | |
| | Lower Colora | do Recovery Unit | | | | | | |
| Pahranagat | 6 | 40 | 50 | | | | | |
| Virgin | 7 | 43 | 100 | | | | | |
| Little Colorado | 5 | 9 | 50 | | | | | |
| Middle Colorado | 20 | 4 | 25 | | | | | |
| Hoover—Parker | 6 | 14 | 50 | | | | | |
| Bill Williams | 9 | 39 | 100 | | | | | |
| Parker—Southern International Boundary | 16 | 1 | 150 | | | | | |
| Total | 70 | 150 | 525 | | | | | |

Table 4. Currently known number of flycatcher breeding sites, territories (as of 2007 data), and number of territories necessary to meet U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service recovery criteria, by recovery unit and management unit—Continued.

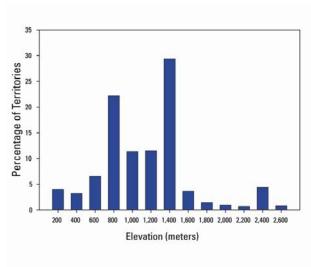
| Management unit | Number of sites | Number of territories | Recovery criteria | | | | | | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Rio Grande Recovery Unit | | | | | | | | |
| San Luis Valley | 7 | 56 | 50 | | | | | | |
| Upper Rio Grande | 16 | 21 | 75 | | | | | | |
| Middle Rio Grande | 8 | 230 | 100 | | | | | | |
| Lower Rio Grande | 3 | 2 | 25 | | | | | | |
| Total | 34 | 309 | 250 | | | | | | |
| | Upper Colora | do Recovery Unit | | | | | | | |
| San Juan | 5 | 10 | 25 | | | | | | |
| Powell | 0 | 0 | 25 | | | | | | |
| Total | 5 | 10 | 50 | | | | | | |
| Grand total | 288 | 1,299 | 1,950 | | | | | | |

Elevation Range of Breeding Territories

The Southwestern willow flycatcher is distributed over a wide elevation range. The majority of breeding sites occur between sea level and 1,000-m elevation (fig. 5*A*). Most territories are found between sea level and 1,600 m (fig. 5*B*), with "spikes" at 601–800 m (the Gila/San Pedro River confluence and Roosevelt Lake in Ariz.) and 1,401–1,600 m (the Cliff-Gila Valley in New Mexico). Although relatively few territories are known to occur above 2,000 m, willow flycatchers breed at four sites that are above 2,500 m.







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Figure 5. Graphs showing the distribution of Southwestern willow flycatcher by elevation (200=0–200 m, 400=201–400 m, and so forth). *A.* Percentage of flycatcher breeding sites occurring at differing elevations, as of 2007 *B.* Percentage of flycatcher territories occurring at differing elevations, as of 2007.

Use of Native and Exotic Habitats

Most flycatcher breeding sites comprise spatially complex habitat mosaics, often including both exotic and native vegetation. Within a site, territories are frequently clumped or distributed near the patch edge. Thus, the vegetative composition of individual territories may differ from the overall composition of the patch. Depending on the time in the breeding season and the breeding status of an individual, flycatchers may move extensively within a breeding patch, travel between patches, or exploit resources outside of a patch (Cardinal and Paxton, 2005; Cardinal and others, 2006). Therefore, an area much larger than a territory or even a patch may be important to flycatcher breeding success and persistence at a particular site. This concept is supported by recent habitat modeling (Hatten and Paradzick, 2003; Paxton and others, 2007).

Although detailed territory-based habitat measurements are lacking for the majority of Southwestern willow flycatcher breeding sites, an attempt was made to broadly characterize the use of native and exotic habitats. The habitat was classified at each site into one of four broad categories, based on the overall species composition of the tree/shrub layer(s) of the site:

- 1. Native = >90 percent native vegetation
- 2. Mixed (>50 percent native) = 50-90 percent native vegetation
- 3. Mixed (>50 percent exotic) = 50-90 percent exotic vegetation
- 4. Exotic = >90 percent exotic vegetation

Habitat patches comprising mostly native vegetation account for fewer than half (44 percent) of the known flycatcher territories (fig. 6). Although only 4 percent of territories occur at exotic sites, another 50 percent are located within sites where the habitat includes native/exotic mixtures. Vegetation was not reported for 2 percent of the flycatcher territories. In many of these cases, exotics are contributing significantly to the habitat structure by providing the dense lower strata vegetation that flycatchers prefer.

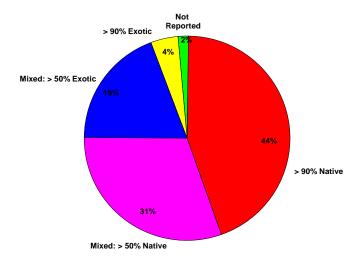


Figure 6. Percentage of flycatcher territories occurring within breeding sites of differing compositions of native and exotic vegetation, as of the 2007 breeding season.

Dominant Tree Species at Breeding Sites

Because of variations in patch-level vegetation, the dominant tree species may differ over the area of a patch and an individual territory within that patch. Despite the general lack of detailed territory-based habitat measurements, it is useful to characterize the dominant tree species within known flycatcher breeding sites.

To characterize the degree to which flycatchers breed in habitats dominated by particular trees, we tallied the number of territories that occur in sites dominated by various tree species. More than half (58 percent) of territories are found at sites where willow (*Salix* spp.) is the dominant tree species (fig. 7). Saltcedar (*Tamarix* spp.) predominates at sites accounting for 22 percent of territories, and box elder (*Acer negundo*) is the dominant tree at sites for 11 percent of territories. Taken together, sites dominated by all other tree species account for only about 7 percent of territories.

The large percentage of territories located in box elder-dominated habitats might suggest that box elder sites are widely used across the Southwestern willow flycatcher's range. However, box elder-dominated breeding habitats occur only in the Cliff-Gila Valley, New Mexico (Stoleson and Finch, 2003).

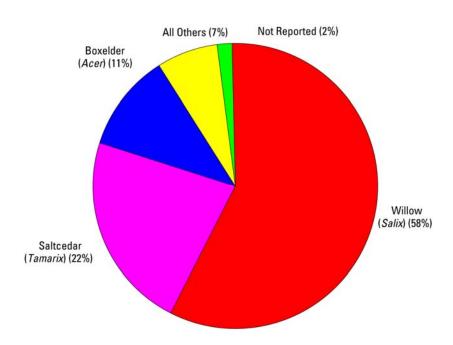


Figure 7. Percentage of flycatcher territories occurring within breeding sites dominated by particular tree species during the 2007 breeding season.

Administration/Management of Sites and Territories

One factor important in conservation and recovery planning is the nature of ownership or administration of a site—for example, whether management of the site is the responsibility of private landowners, the government, or some other entity. This was examined in two ways—first by site, then by territory.

By site (fig. 8*A*): Of known breeding sites, 44 percent are under Federal Government administration, 28 percent are on privately owned lands, 14 percent are on lands administered by state/local/municipal governments, and 5 percent are administered by Native American tribes.

By territory (fig. 8*B*): Federal lands account for 55 percent of flycatcher territories; private lands account for 34 percent. This underscores the importance of working with private landowners as flycatcher conservation and recovery efforts proceed. Roughly one-third (32 percent) of the flycatcher territories found on privately owned lands are in the Cliff-Gila Valley, New Mexico.

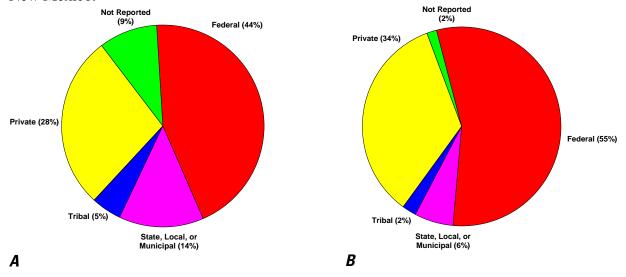


Figure 8. Percentage of flycatcher breeding sites (*A*) and territories (*B*) found under different land ownership, as of the 2007 breeding season.

2007 Summary

Many new breeding sites and territories have been discovered since the early 1990s as a result of extensive survey efforts throughout the Southwest. In 1993, there were only 140 known territories distributed among 41 breeding sites. The current estimate (as of 2007) is 1,299 territories distributed among 288 sites (note, however, the earlier caution about lack of a standard definition for "site").

Not all of the 288 known sites are surveyed every year. The total estimated number of known territories (1,299) is based on the most recent survey at each site. At 115 sites surveyed in 2007, there were 930 territories detected.

Most territories are found within small breeding sites (those sites with 5 or fewer territories). There are only 6 sites with 50 or more territories, though this comparison is confounded by the lack of a standard definition of site.

There are 142 sites that at one time had flycatchers since 1993, but as of 2007 do not contain flycatcher territories—almost all were small sites (five or fewer territories). Because these sites had small populations, these territory losses account for only a small percentage of known territories; however, they underscore the vulnerability of small sites.

The states of California, Arizona, and New Mexico make up 89 percent of known flycatcher territories. Nevada, Colorado, and Utah collectively have less than 12 percent of the known territories. No reporting has been received from standardized Southwestern willow flycatcher surveys in Texas; the current status of the flycatcher there is unknown.

Southwestern willow flycatchers are distributed over a wide elevation range, with most from sea level to 1,600 m, but a few sites (n=4) are located above 2,500 m.

Fewer than half (44 percent) of territories are in native habitat, and 23 percent are in habitats having a 50 percent or greater exotic vegetation component. A large percentage of the territories in native habitat occur at one site—the Cliff-Gila Valley in New Mexico. More than 90 percent of territories are in habitats where willow, saltcedar, or box elder is the dominant tree species; flycatchers breed in box elder dominated habitats only in the Cliff-Gila Valley, New Mexico.

Fewer than half (44 percent) of sites are on Federally controlled lands, and 28 percent are on private lands; these privately owned sites account for 34 percent of known territories. Approximately one-third (32 percent) of territories on privately owned sites are found in the Cliff-Gila Valley, New Mexico.

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Appendix 1. Distribution of Flycatcher Sites and Territories by Year

Data for years prior to 2007 reflect the actual surveys conducted in the year and estimates based on the most recent surveys prior to that year. These updated numbers may differ from past reports. The estimated number of sites and territories is the sum of the actual surveys conducted in a given year plus the results of the most recent surveys conducted in previous years.

Table 1-1. Distribution of flycatcher sites and territories by year and state based on both estimated and surveyed values.

| | Estimated sites and territories | | | | | Surveyed sites and territories | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|-----------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| State | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | |
| | | | | 2007 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 124 | 43.1 | 459 | 35.3 | 56 | 37.3 | 292 | 31.4 | |
| Calif. | 96 | 33.3 | 172 | 13.2 | 13 | 8.7 | 32 | 3.4 | |
| Colo. | 11 | 3.8 | 66 | 5.1 | 2 | 1.3 | 28 | 3.0 | |
| N. Mex. | 41 | 14.2 | 519 | 40.0 | 31 | 20.7 | 507 | 54.5 | |
| Nev. | 13 | 4.5 | 76 | 5.9 | 10 | 6.7 | 64 | 6.9 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.0 | 7 | 0.5 | 3 | 2.0 | 7 | 0.8 | |
| Total | 288 | | 1,299 | | 115 | | 930 | | |
| | | | | 2006 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 122 | 45.5 | 482 | 41.4 | 79 | 62.2 | 349 | 42.0 | |
| Calif. | 92 | 34.3 | 184 | 15.8 | 14 | 11.0 | 44 | 5.3 | |
| Colo. | 10 | 3.7 | 38 | 3.3 | 1 | 0.8 | 0 | 0.0 | |
| N. Mex. | 30 | 11.2 | 371 | 31.9 | 21 | 16.5 | 361 | 43.4 | |
| Nev. | 12 | 4.5 | 82 | 7.0 | 10 | 7.9 | 70 | 8.4 | |
| Utah | 2 | 0.7 | 7 | 0.6 | 2 | 1.6 | 7 | 0.8 | |
| Total | 268 | | 1,164 | | 127 | | 831 | | |
| | | | - | 2005 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 114 | 43.5 | 492 | 41.7 | 89 | 59.3 | 481 | 48.1 | |
| Calif. | 91 | 34.7 | 186 | 15.7 | 21 | 14.0 | 47 | 4.7 | |
| Colo. | 10 | 3.8 | 58 | 4.9 | 3 | 2.0 | 48 | 4.8 | |
| N. Mex. | 33 | 12.6 | 374 | 31.7 | 25 | 16.7 | 365 | 36.5 | |
| Nev. | 11 | 4.2 | 67 | 5.7 | 9 | 6.0 | 55 | 5.5 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.1 | 4 | 0.3 | 3 | 2.0 | 4 | 0.4 | |
| Total | 262 | | 1,181 | | 150 | | 1,000 | | |
| | | | | 2004 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 106 | 42.7 | 516 | 44.7 | 87 | 54.0 | 508 | 49.1 | |
| Calif. | 89 | 35.9 | 197 | 17.1 | 33 | 20.5 | 109 | 10.5 | |
| Colo. | 10 | 4.0 | 51 | 4.4 | 7 | 4.3 | 47 | 4.5 | |
| N. Mex. | 29 | 11.7 | 316 | 27.4 | 22 | 13.7 | 308 | 29.8 | |
| Nev. | 11 | 4.4 | 68 | 5.9 | 9 | 5.6 | 56 | 5.4 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.2 | 7 | 0.6 | 3 | 1.9 | 7 | 0.7 | |
| Total | 248 | | 1,155 | | 161 | | 1,035 | | |

Table 1-1. Distribution of flycatcher sites and territories by year and state based on both estimated and surveyed values—Continued.

| | Estimated sites and territories | | | | | Surveyed sites and territories | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|-----------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| State | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | |
| | | | | 2003 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 105 | 43.4 | 420 | 39.5 | 92 | 54.1 | 412 | 43.4 | |
| Calif. | 85 | 35.1 | 196 | 18.4 | 38 | 22.4 | 113 | 11.9 | |
| Colo. | 9 | 3.7 | 79 | 7.4 | 6 | 3.5 | 75 | 7.9 | |
| N. Mex. | 29 | 12.0 | 297 | 27.9 | 22 | 12.9 | 289 | 30.5 | |
| Nev. | 11 | 4.5 | 64 | 6.0 | 9 | 5.3 | 52 | 5.5 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.2 | 8 | 0.8 | 3 | 1.8 | 8 | 0.8 | |
| Total | 242 | | 1,064 | | 170 | | 949 | | |
| | | | , | 2002 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 96 | 42.9 | 456 | 42.7 | 87 | 50.3 | 450 | 45.9 | |
| Calif. | 73 | 32.6 | 195 | 18.2 | 38 | 22.0 | 130 | 13.3 | |
| Colo. | 10 | 4.5 | 60 | 5.6 | 9 | 5.2 | 59 | 6.0 | |
| N. Mex. | 31 | 13.8 | 304 | 28.4 | 27 | 15.6 | 299 | 30.5 | |
| Nev. | 11 | 4.9 | 49 | 4.6 | 9 | 5.2 | 37 | 3.8 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.3 | 5 | 0.5 | 3 | 1.7 | 5 | 0.5 | |
| Total | 224 | | 1,069 | | 173 | | 980 | | |
| | | | , | 2001 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 93 | 43.1 | 351 | 41.1 | 85 | 43.8 | 345 | 41.6 | |
| Calif. | 83 | 38.4 | 220 | 25.7 | 73 | 37.6 | 206 | 24.8 | |
| Colo. | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | |
| N. Mex. | 24 | 11.1 | 207 | 24.2 | 21 | 10.8 | 202 | 24.4 | |
| Nev. | 12 | 5.6 | 73 | 8.5 | 12 | 6.2 | 73 | 8.8 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.4 | 3 | 0.4 | 3 | 1.5 | 3 | 0.4 | |
| Total | 216 | | 855 | | 194 | | 829 | | |
| | | | | 2000 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 88 | 42.3 | 337 | 39.8 | 81 | 42.9 | 331 | 40.3 | |
| Calif. | 74 | 35.6 | 185 | 21.9 | 65 | 34.4 | 171 | 20.8 | |
| Colo. | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.1 | |
| N. Mex. | 31 | 14.9 | 257 | 30.4 | 28 | 14.8 | 252 | 30.7 | |
| Nev. | 11 | 5.3 | 56 | 6.6 | 11 | 5.8 | 56 | 6.8 | |
| Utah | 3 | 1.4 | 10 | 1.2 | 3 | 1.6 | 10 | 1.2 | |
| Total | 208 | | 846 | | 189 | | 821 | | |
| | | | | 1999 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 93 | 49.7 | 295 | 36.4 | 88 | 50.6 | 290 | 36.7 | |
| Calif. | 66 | 35.3 | 193 | 23.8 | 60 | 34.5 | 184 | 23.3 | |
| Colo. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | |
| N. Mex. | 22 | 11.8 | 300 | 37.0 | 20 | 11.5 | 295 | 37.3 | |
| Nev. | 5 | 2.7 | 17 | 2.1 | 5 | 2.9 | 17 | 2.1 | |
| Utah | 1 | 0.5 | 5 | 0.6 | 1 | 0.6 | 5 | 0.6 | |
| Total | 187 | | 810 | | 174 | | 791 | | |

Table 1-1. Distribution of flycatcher sites and territories by year and state based on both estimated and surveyed values—Continued.

| | Estimated sites and territories | | | | Surveyed sites and territories | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|
| State | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year |
| | | 70 | | 1998 | | 70 | | |
| Ariz. | 98 | 57.3 | 223 | 33.1 | 95 | 58.6 | 221 | 33.4 |
| Calif. | 41 | 24.0 | 137 | 20.3 | 37 | 22.8 | 131 | 19.8 |
| Colo. | 1 | 0.6 | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.6 | 1 | 0.2 |
| N. Mex. | 21 | 12.3 | 262 | 38.9 | 19 | 11.7 | 257 | 38.9 |
| Nev. | 8 | 4.7 | 30 | 4.5 | 8 | 4.9 | 30 | 4.5 |
| Utah | 2 | 1.2 | 21 | 3.1 | 2 | 1.2 | 21 | 3.2 |
| Total | 171 | | 674 | | 162 | | 661 | |
| | | | | 1997 | | | | |
| Ariz. | 68 | 50.4 | 188 | 30.7 | 67 | 51.5 | 188 | 31.1 |
| Calif. | 38 | 28.1 | 118 | 19.2 | 36 | 27.7 | 115 | 19.0 |
| Colo. | 3 | 2.2 | 35 | 5.7 | 3 | 2.3 | 35 | 5.8 |
| N. Mex. | 20 | 14.8 | 243 | 39.6 | 18 | 13.8 | 238 | 39.3 |
| Nev. | 5 | 3.7 | 18 | 2.9 | 5 | 3.8 | 18 | 3.0 |
| Utah | 1 | 0.7 | 11 | 1.8 | 1 | 0.8 | 11 | 1.8 |
| Total | 135 | | 613 | | 130 | | 605 | |
| | | | | 1996 | | | | |
| Ariz. | 46 | 45.5 | 145 | 30.5 | 45 | 45.9 | 145 | 30.7 |
| Calif. | 27 | 26.7 | 118 | 24.8 | 26 | 26.5 | 117 | 24.7 |
| Colo. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| N. Mex. | 25 | 24.8 | 208 | 43.7 | 24 | 24.5 | 206 | 43.6 |
| Nev. | 2 | 2.0 | 3 | 0.6 | 2 | 2.0 | 3 | 0.6 |
| Utah | 1 | 1.0 | 2 | 0.4 | 1 | 1.0 | 2 | 0.4 |
| Total | 101 | | 476 | | 98 | | 473 | |
| | | | | 1995 | | | | |
| Ariz. | 26 | 40.6 | 84 | 24.1 | 25 | 40.3 | 84 | 24.3 |
| Calif. | 18 | 28.1 | 89 | 25.6 | 18 | 29.0 | 89 | 25.7 |
| Colo. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| N. Mex. | 18 | 28.1 | 172 | 49.4 | 17 | 27.4 | 170 | 49.1 |
| Nev. | 1 | 1.6 | 1 | 0.3 | 1 | 1.6 | 1 | 0.3 |
| Utah | 1 | 1.6 | 2 | 0.6 | 1 | 1.6 | 2 | 0.6 |
| Total | 64 | | 348 | | 62 | | 346 | |
| | | | | 1994 | | | | |
| Ariz. | 26 | 48.1 | 111 | 30.7 | 26 | 49.1 | 111 | 30.9 |
| Calif. | 10 | 18.5 | 84 | 23.3 | 10 | 18.9 | 84 | 23.4 |
| Colo. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| N. Mex. | 18 | 33.3 | 166 | 46.0 | 17 | 32.1 | 164 | 45.7 |
| Nev. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Utah | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 54 | | 361 | | 53 | | 359 | |

Table 1-1. Distribution of flycatcher sites and territories by year and state based on both estimated and surveyed values—Continued.

| | Estimated sites and territories | | | | | Surveyed sites and territories | | | |
|---------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------|--|-----------------|--|--------------------------|--|--|
| State | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | Number of sites | Percentage of total sites by year | Number of territories | Percentage of total territories by year | |
| | | | | 1993 | | | | | |
| Ariz. | 18 | 43.9 | 33 | 23.6 | 18 | 43.9 | 33 | 23.6 | |
| Calif. | 7 | 17.1 | 75 | 53.6 | 7 | 17.1 | 75 | 53.6 | |
| Colo. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | |
| N. Mex. | 16 | 39.0 | 32 | 22.9 | 16 | 39.0 | 32 | 22.9 | |
| Nev. | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | |
| Utah | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | |
| Total | 41 | | 140 | | 41 | | 140 | | |

Appendix 2. List of Extirpated Sites

These are labeled "extirpated" sites, although it is important to recognize that a particular site could become occupied again in the future. If flycatchers are detected at any site in subsequent years, that site will no longer be considered extirpated and will be removed from this list. In past years, 64 sites that were unoccupied for 1 or more years were subsequently reoccupied by flycatchers.

Table 2-1. List of the 142 sites that at one time had Southwestern willow flycatcher territories, but were unoccupied as of the most recent survey (zero territories for 1 or more years).

| Site name Site code | | Reference |
|---|------------|---------------------------------------|
| Agua Fria River—Waddell Dam AFWADA Ar | riz. 2007 | Stump, written commun., |
| | | Mar. 2008 |
| · · | alif. 2001 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| Amargosa River—Oasis Valley—Springdale AMOVSP Ne | | Klinger and Furtek, 2008 |
| Ash Meadows NWR—Carson Slough AMAMCS Ne | | Klinger and Furtek, 2008 |
| Bill Williams—Cave Wash BWCAVE Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Bill Williams Buckskin BWBUCK Ar | | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Bill Williams Delta Marsh Edge BWDEMA Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Bill Williams Gemini BWGEMI Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written commun. |
| DI G I | 3.6 | Apr. 2008 |
| Bluewater Creek RIBLUE N. | Mex. 2007 | Leonard, written commun., |
| Constructor Duncarius VECANE Co | 1:f 2002 | Mar. 2008 |
| | alif. 2003 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| Colorado River—Adobe Lake COADOB Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| Colorado River—Big Hole Slough COBHSL Ca | alif. 2007 | commun., Apr. 2008 McLeod, written |
| Colorado Rivel—Big Hole Slough COBIBL Ca | iii. 2007 | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Colorado River—Cibola SW Landing Strip COCIBO Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| Colorado River Cloud S W Eathering Strip Cociedo Mi | 1E. 2007 | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Colorado River—Clear Lake COCLLA Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Colorado River—Draper Lake CODRAP Ca | alif. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| • | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Colorado River—Ehrenberg COEHRE Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Colorado River—Ferguson Lake COFERG Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Colorado River—Gila Confluence 1 COGILA Ar | riz. 2007 | McLeod, written |
| | | commun., Apr. 2008 |
| - · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | riz. 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| • | riz. 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| · | riz. 2004 | Munzer and others, 2005 |
| • | riz. 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| | riz. 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Colorado River—Grand Cyn RM 259.5 L CO259L Ar | riz. 2005 | English and others, 2006 |

Table 2-1. List of the 142 sites that at one time had Southwestern willow flycatcher territories, but were unoccupied as of the most recent survey (zero territories for 1 or more years)—Continued.

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| De Luz Creek—Camp Pendleton SMDELU Calif. 2006 Kenwood file, May 2007 |
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| Gila River—Earven Flat GIEAFL Ariz. 2005 English and others, 2005 |
| Gila River—Fort Thomas Bridge GIFTBR Ariz. 1994 Paradzick and others, 2001 |
| Gila River—Fortuna Wash GIFOWA Ariz. 2007 McLeod, written commun., Apr. 2008 |
| Gila River—GRN 033 GIGN33 Ariz. 2006 Graber and others, 2007 |
| Gila River—GRS005 GIGS05 Ariz. 2007 Stump, written commun., |
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| Gila River—GRS009 GIGS09 Ariz. 2007 Stump, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Gila River—GRSN031 GIGI31 Ariz. 2006 Graber and others, 2007 |
| Gila River—Guthrie GIGUTH Ariz. 2006 Graber and others, 2007 |
| Gila River—San Jose GISAJO Ariz. 2001 Smith and others, 2002 |

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| Gila River—Smithville Canal | GISMIT | Ariz. | 1997 | McCarthey and others, |
| Gila River—Solomon NW | GISONW | Ariz. | 2007 | Stump, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Gila River—Whitlow Dam | GIWHDA | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Gila River GRN010 | GIGN10 | Ariz. | 2007 | Stump, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Gila River GRN011 | GIGN11 | Ariz. | 2000 | Paradzick and others, 2001 |
| Gila River GRN015 | GIGN15 | Ariz. | 2002 | Smith and others, 2003 |
| Gila River GRN020 (Kelvin Bridge) | GIGN20 | Ariz. | 2007 | Stump, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Gila River GRS012 | GIGS12 | Ariz. | 2007 | Stump, written commun., Mar. 2007 |
| Gila River GRS013 | GIGS13 | Ariz. | 2003 | Smith and others, 2004 |
| Gila River GRS015 | GIGS15 | Ariz. | 2002 | Smith and others, 2003 |
| Holcomb Creek—Little Bear Springs | MOLBRS | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Kanab Creek—Town of Kanab | COKANB | Utah | 2007 | Day, 2008 |
| Lake Havasu—Neptune | COHAVA | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Las Flores Creek | LFLAFL | Calif. | 2007 | Kenwood file, Apr. 2008 |
| Meadow Valley Wash—Site 1 | MVMV01 | Nev. | 2006 | Klinger and Furtek, 2007 |
| Mimbres River—Highway 152 to San Juan | MIDISE | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Mojave River—Oro Grande | MOORGR | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood file, Sept. 2005 |
| Mojave River, Upper Narrows | MOUPNA | Calif. | 2006 | Kenwood file, May 2007 |
| Mojave River, Victorville I-15 | MOVICT | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood file, Sept. 2005 |
| Nelson Reservoir | LCNERE | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Pahranagat River—Crystal Springs | PACRSP | Nev. | 2007 | Klinger and Furtek, 2008 |
| Parkview Fish Hatch | CHPARK | N. Mex. | 2001 | Williams, written comm., 2002 |
| Rio Grande—Casa Colorado | RIRGCC | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Rio Grande—Hot Creek SWA | RIHTSW | Colo. | 2004 | Ecosphere Environmental Services, 2006 |
| Rio Grande—San Acacia to Bosque Refuge | RIRGSA | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Rio Grande Orilla Verde | RIORIL | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Rio Grande Taos Junction Bridge | RITAOS | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Rio Grande Velarde-El Guique | RIELGU | N. Mex. | 2002 | Williams, written commun., Mar. 2003 |
| Rio Grande Velarde-Garcia Acequia | RIGARC | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |
| Rio Grande Velarde-La Canova | RILACA | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., Mar. 2008 |

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| Rio Grande Velarde-La Rinconada | RILARI | N. Mex. | 2007 | Leonard, written commun., |
| | | | | Mar. 2008 |
| Salt River—School House Point N | SRSCHN | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Salt River—School House Point S | SRSCHS | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Salt River Inflow—Roos Lk: Lakeshore | SRLAKE | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| San Diego Creek—Laguna Lakes | SGLALA | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2004 |
| San Dieguito River | SDSADI | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| San Gabrial River | SBSAGA | Calif. | 2005 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| San Juan Creek—Canada Gobernadora | SUCAGO | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| San Juan Creek—La Novia Bridge | SUNOBR | Calif. | 2005 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| San Juan River—Shiprock | SJSHIP | N. Mex. | 1999 | Fitzgerald, unpub. data |
| San Luis Rey River—Agua Caliente Creek | SLACCR | Calif. | 2001 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| San Luis Rey River—Guajome Lake | SLGUAJ | Calif. | 2007 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| San Luis Rey River—Pilgrim Creek | SLPILG | Calif. | 2007 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| San Luis Rey River, Couser Cyn | SLCOUS | Calif. | 2003 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| San Pedro River—Apache Powder Rd | SPAPPO | Ariz. | 2004 | Munzer and others, 2005 |
| San Pedro River—Bingham Cienega | SPBICI | Ariz. | 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| San Pedro River—Capgage Wash | SPCAWA | Ariz. | 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| San Pedro River—Hereford Bridge | SPHEBR | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| San Pedro River—Indian Hills | SPINHI | Ariz. | 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| San Pedro River—Malpais Hill | SPMAHI | Ariz. | 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| San Pedro River—Soza Wash | SPSOWA | Ariz. | 2003 | Smith and others, 2004 |
| San Pedro River, SR 90 | SPSR90 | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Santa Ana River—Bear Creek | SABEAR | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—City Creek | SACICR | Calif. | 2002 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—Deer Creek | SADEER | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—East Etiwanda Creek | SAEECR | Calif. | 2001 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| Santa Ana River—Featherly Regional Park | SAFEAT | Calif. | 2001 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—La Cadena to Waterman | SALACA | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—Metcalf Creek | SAMECR | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| Santa Ana River—Mtn Home Village | SAMTNH | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| Santa Ana River—Rattlesnake Creek | SARTSN | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—San Timoteo Creek | SASNTI | Calif. | 2006 | Kenwood, 2007 |
| Santa Ana River—SR 38 Bridge Crossing | SA38BC | Calif. | 2005 | Kenwood, 2007 |
| Santa Ana River—Strawberry Creek | SASTCR | Calif. | 2000 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| Santa Ana River—Van Dusen Canyon | SAVDCA | Calif. | 2002 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ana River—Waterman Creek | SAWACR | Calif. | 2001 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| Santa Clara River—Arco/Four Corners | STARCO | Calif. | 2005 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| Santa Clara River—Fillmore Fish Hatch | STFILL | Calif. | 2002 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Clara River—San Francisquito Creek | STSFCR | Calif. | 2001 | Kenwood, 2006 |
| Santa Clara River—Saticoy | STSATI | Calif. | 2003 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Clara River—Soledad Canyon | STSOCA | Calif. | 2004 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Clara River—Upper Piru Creek | STUPPI | Calif. | 2006 | Kenwood, 2007 |

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| Santa Cruz River—Cienega Creek | SZCICR | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Santa Margarita River—Fallbrook Creek | SMFALL | Calif. | 2007 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| Santa Maria River, Lower | SNSMLO | Ariz. | 2005 | English and others, 2006 |
| Santa Ynez River—Gibralter | SYGIBR | Calif. | 2002 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ynez River—Lompoc | SYLOMP | Calif. | 2003 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Santa Ysabel Creek—Tim's Canyon | SDTICA | Calif. | 2002 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Sulphur Creek | PHSUCR | Calif. | 2003 | Kenwood, 2008 |
| Sweetwater Reservoir | SWSWRE | Calif. | 2006 | Kenwood, 2007 |
| Temecula Creek—Aguanga | TEAGUA | Calif. | 2001 | Kenwood, 2005 |
| Verde River—Camp Verde | VECAVE | Ariz. | 2007 | Stump, written commun., |
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| Verde River—Davenport | VEDAWA | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Verde River—Tavasci Marsh | VETAVA | Ariz. | 1999 | Paradzick and others, 2000 |
| Verde River—Tuzigoot Bridge | VETUZI | Ariz. | 2006 | Graber and others, 2007 |
| Virgin River at St. George | VIGEOR | Utah | 2007 | Day, 2008 |

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