



Sandhill cranes, Tom Grey

CONSERVING BIRDS AND BIRD HABITAT IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY

INVESTING IN THE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE OF WILDLIFE, COMMUNITIES AND CLIMATE

The Central Valley Joint Venture supports healthy bird populations and vibrant human communities

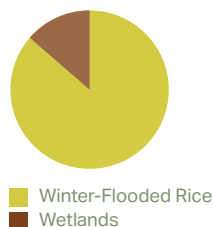
The Central Valley is a critically important part of the Pacific Flyway, which extends from the Arctic to South America and is used by over 100 million birds of 400 species every year.

95% of natural habitat in the Central Valley has been transformed for human uses; unpredictable water supplies and other climate change impacts threaten the future of farms, wetlands, and other bird habitats.

Bird habitat can include winter-flooded rice, corn and other grain fields; managed wetlands; river- and stream-side habitat; grasslands; and oak woodlands.

During drought years, limited water supplies can be managed cooperatively to support birds and other wildlife, agriculture, and communities.

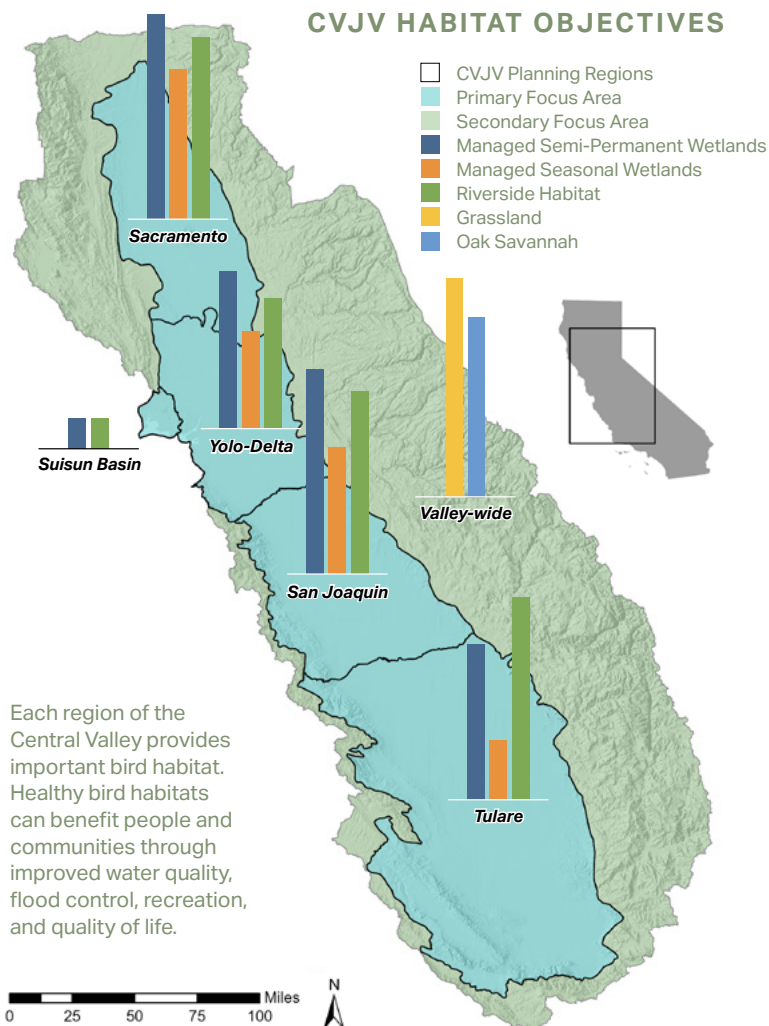
The Central Valley Joint Venture (CVJV) partners with private landowners, local governments, non-profit organizations and others to conserve Central Valley birds and their habitats for current and future generations. We are more powerful together. CVJV partnerships leverage available funding and plan for unpredictable water supplies to benefit both birds and communities in the Central Valley. We invite you to join the cause.



Unpacking Waterbird Habitat

Flooded rice fields comprise up to 80% of all waterbird habitat in the Sacramento and Yolo-Delta Basins. These fields are critically important to wintering and breeding ducks, shorebirds, and other waterbirds. Other habitat types are also needed throughout the Valley.

CVJV HABITAT OBJECTIVES



ADDITIONAL HABITAT NEEDED 2020-2030

Managed Semi-Permanent Wetlands	34,400 Acres
Managed Seasonal Wetlands	20,000 Acres
Riverside Habitat	33,300 Acres
Grassland	10,300 Acres
Oak Savannah	8,500 Acres



Cinnamon teal, Dale Garrison

Join the effort

Do you or your organization conduct science, participate in policy decisions, or restore habitat to benefit people, birds and the environment?

- Use resources efficiently: Coordinate your conservation efforts with the CVJV's Valley-wide plan.
- Be part of the bigger vision: The CVJV works to ensure there is enough water for birds, farms, and people.
- Join our landowner partnerships. Farms provide more than half of Central Valley bird habitat; the CVJV works with landowners toward shared goals.

The CVJV brings together scientists, policymakers, non-profit organizations and others to make the Central Valley a better place for birds and people.

Quick guide to useful information in the CVJV 2020 Implementation Plan

- Learn more about the plight of Central Valley wetlands, unreliable water supplies, and how the CVJV works to protect important habitat: pp. 54-60.
- Read examples of programs and policies that advance CVJV goals: pp 63-64.
- Learn how the CVJV is planning for climate resiliency to inform immediate actions and priorities: pp 7-10, 19-24, 67-72.
- Understand the social and political considerations that influence wildlife and habitat management: pp 82-92.
- Know where and when habitat is needed most on the landscape: pp 13-14, 95-96.
- Read examples of how the CVJV works with partners to generate successes: pp 9, 99, 145, 151, 161, 174, 186, 199, 211, 225.

Want to learn more about how we can work together?

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For more information about the CVJV, visit www.centralvalleyjointventure.org and on Facebook @centralvalleyjv.

View and download the CVJV 2020 Implementation Plan at <https://bit.ly/CVJV2020ImplementationPlan>



Least Bell's Vireo nest, Julie Rentner



Students restoring habitat, Steve Martarano



CVJV Partner Organizations

Audubon California
 Bureau of Land Management
 Bureau of Reclamation
 Calif. Association of Resource Conservation Districts
 Calif. Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
 Calif. Dept. of Water Resources

Calif. Natural Resources Agency
 California Trout
 California Waterfowl Association
 Calif. Wildlife Conservation Board
 Defenders of Wildlife
 Ducks Unlimited
 PG&E

Point Blue Conservation Science
 River Partners
 The Nature Conservancy
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
 USFWS
 USGS