

Quail Decline: Habitat and Historic Range Loss Survey

The number and distribution of the three quail species that live in California has declined over the past 50 years, but the state Department of Fish and Wildlife has little data about short-term or long-term declines, and no comprehensive program to restore or increase bird numbers and distribution.

Hunters across the state are being asked to help determine **areas where quail no longer exist**. This survey is also seeking to define loss of historic water sources that are critical to desert and foothill quail in late spring, summer, and fall. This information can come from you, parents, grandparents, or old hunting buddies. We are hoping to put together a comprehensive database of lost water sources and lost historic quail range. Provide as much information as possible. For more information, visit: www.outdoornewsservice.com/western-birds.

Name: _____ Town of Residence: _____

E-Mail Address: _____ Telephone Number: _____

Quail Once Lived Here:

Check type of Quail: Valley Quail ___ Gambel's Quail ___ Mountain Quail ___ County: _____

Nearest City or Landmark: _____ General description of area: _____

Last year(s) birds were seen? _____ Last year area was checked for birds: _____

If available: GPS Coordinates: _____ USGS 7 1/2-Minute Map Name: _____

Nearest Historic Water Source (if available):

At the location above, was there a nearby water source? Yes: ___ No: ___ Unknown: ___

Type of Water: ___ Spring ___ Stock Tank ___ Windmill/Well ___ Guzzler ___ Mine Shaft ___ Other: _____

Name of water source (If available or applicable): _____

Location (Description and/or GPS coordinates): _____

_____ Approximate distance from quail: _____

Is This Source Still Available? Yes: ___ No: ___ If "no," what was the last year it was known to have water: _____

Please attach any maps, historic photos, or comments on the location detailed in this form. E-mail to *Western Birds* at odwriter@verizon.net or mail to *Western Birds' Quail Survey*, P.O. Box 9007, San Bernardino, CA 92427. Please use a different form for each location.