

# 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](http://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](mailto: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.