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### Celebrating the Publication of the Central Valley Joint Venture's Updated Implementation Plan (2020):

#### **Sacramento, CA, March 8, 2021 -- Find out what the bird habitat and population objectives are for the Central Valley in 10 years.**

The completion of the Central Valley Joint Venture's (CVJV) 2020 Implementation Plan marks a major milestone in bird conservation in California's Central Valley. The 2020 Plan updates and expands bird habitat and population objectives with new science, new bird groups and the practical constraints of water availability, conservation opportunities, current and predicted shifts in climate and the impacts and needs of human communities in the region.

The Plan presents habitat and population objectives for seven major groups of birds that use the Central Valley of California. It is intended to be useful to policy makers, regulators, agencies, conservation organizations and landowners working to further bird habitat conservation efforts in the Central Valley. The Plan represents the combined expertise of a wide range of professionals from conservation organizations, state and federal agencies and the private sector.

The CVJV is a self-directed coalition consisting of 19 public and private organizations. For more than 30 years, the partnership has directed its efforts toward the common goal of meeting the habitat needs of migrating and resident birds in California's Central Valley.

People and communities of this region have identified the urgent need for improved water quality, more effective flood control, increased recreational opportunities and improved quality of life from connection to natural spaces (as highlighted for many during the current COVID pandemic). Through protecting, restoring, and managing habitat to benefit bird species, the CVJV also provides many of these benefits to people as well as to other native Central Valley animals, plants and communities.

Healthy habitats with thriving populations of resident and migrant wildlife species provide improved ecological services which benefit the communities and livelihoods of the Central Valley and beyond.

“This Plan provides decision makers, land managers, conservation organizations and the general public a simple roadmap of the foraging, breeding and nesting habitat requirements to assure healthy, robust populations of all resident and migrating birds within the Central Valley and the surrounding foothills, based on the most up-to-date science available, .” (Jim Cogswell, Coordinator, Central Valley Joint Venture)

For more information on the CVJV, visit our website <https://www.centralvalleyjointventure.org>

To access the CVJV 2020 Implementation Plan follow this link:

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