

Golden Eagle "Element Occurrences" in the California Natural Diversity Database (CNDDB)



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What is the CNDDB?

- · Inventory of California's rarest plants, animals, & natural communities
- State's Natural Heritage Program, established 1979 (TNC/NatureServe)
- National data standards
- Value added product, data-rich records, QC
- Used by resource managers for environmental review, reserve planning, & species status review

What we track (animals):

- 475 vertebrates ~ 434 invertebrates
- Element Occurrences (EOs): summaries of species occurrences; not individual detections

CNDDB golden eagle occurrences:

- Primarily nest sites; some winter foraging areas (not fly-overs, perched birds)
- Element Occurrences summarize:
 - Territory history Productivity
 - Habitat Threats
 - Rank & trend Bibliography/references
- 141 Element Occurrences currently in CNDDB
- An additional 200+ "unprocessed" sources
- Currently, CNDDB is processing GOEA data in the DRECP (106 EOs recently added/updated)
- Unknown if state-wide mapping will be a future priority

Other GOEA data considerations:

- Not all detections are added to the CNDDB (fly overs, perched birds, carcasses, etc.)
- Other observation data may be important to answer different management questions
- Other existing GOEA data has not been submitted to CNDDB



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