

110. COASTAL PRAIRIE

PRADERA COSTANERA

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Audubon Cypress Grove Preserve

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Location: California; Marin Co.; Marshall; Cypress Grove Preserve; 38°10'N, 122°54'W; Tomales Quadrangle, USGS. **Continuity:** Established 1988; 5 yr. **Size:** 31.0 ha. **Description of Plot:** See *J. Field Ornithol.* 60 (Suppl.):56-57 (1989). More recent detailed quantitative habitat data are available from the author. **Weather:** Mean start temp., 12.1°C (range 6-15°C). This was the sixth consecutive year of below-average winter rainfall and drought, but wet-season rainfall (62.9 cm) was near the 38-yr average of 71.9 cm. Source: Audubon Canyon Ranch. **Coverage:** 7.3 h; 8 visits (3 sunrise); 9, 17, 20, 23, 29 April; 8, 22, 27 May. **Census:** Song Sparrow, 14.0 (18); Black-shouldered Kite, 2.0; American Goldfinch, 2.0; Northern Harrier, 1.0; Anna's Hummingbird, 1.0; American Crow, 1.0; Common Yellowthroat, 1.0; Red-winged Blackbird, 1.0; Western Meadowlark, 1.0; Brewer's Blackbird, 1.0; House Finch, 1.0. **Total:** 11 species; 26.0 territories (34/40 ha). **Visitors:** Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk, Allen's Hummingbird, Northern Flicker, Tree Swallow, Cliff Swallow, Barn Swallow, Scrub Jay, Common Raven, Swainson's Thrush, California Towhee, Savannah Sparrow, Golden-crowned Sparrow, White-crowned Sparrow, Brown-headed Cowbird, Northern Oriole, Purple Finch, Pine Siskin. **Remarks:** The Anna's Hummingbird territory was a male territory. The California Vole (*Microtus californicus*) population remained extremely low. At least one of the two Black-shouldered Kite nests successfully fledged young. The Common Yellowthroat territory was initiated late in the season (22 May). **Acknowledgments:** This work is supported by Audubon Canyon Ranch, Stinson Beach, CA. I thank Susan Kelly for help in summarizing the results.