

Acterra, LLC Property

Date Acquired	August 28, 2007
Easement Size	91.8 acres
Location	The property is located at the south end of Stone Lake Road; just east of Interstate 5.
Property Description	The property includes approximately 91.8 acres of leveled farmland, which currently contains one field of alfalfa and four disked fields. A 10.9-acre pond is also located on the northeast corner of the property, but not included under the Conservation Easement.
Conservation Value	The property consists of high-quality foraging habitat for Swainson's hawks. The low groundcover provides clear visibility of prey items and the large cottonwood, willow, and eucalyptus trees around the property's perimeter represent suitable nesting habitat. Numerous small burrows and gopher mounds were observed throughout the property during a monitoring site visit in July 2010. According to the California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDDB) records, there are 122 previously recorded occurrences of Swainson's hawk within a ten-mile radius of the property (CDFG 2009). Since numerous occurrences of Swainson's hawks have been recorded in the region, it is reasonable to assume that Swainson's hawks could nest in the vicinity of the property or within the riparian habitat or large trees adjacent to the property.

