

Pinyon Jays and Pinyon-Juniper Woodlands

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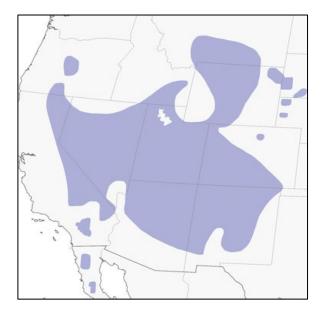


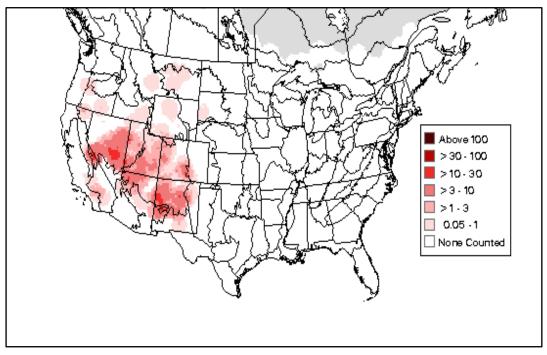


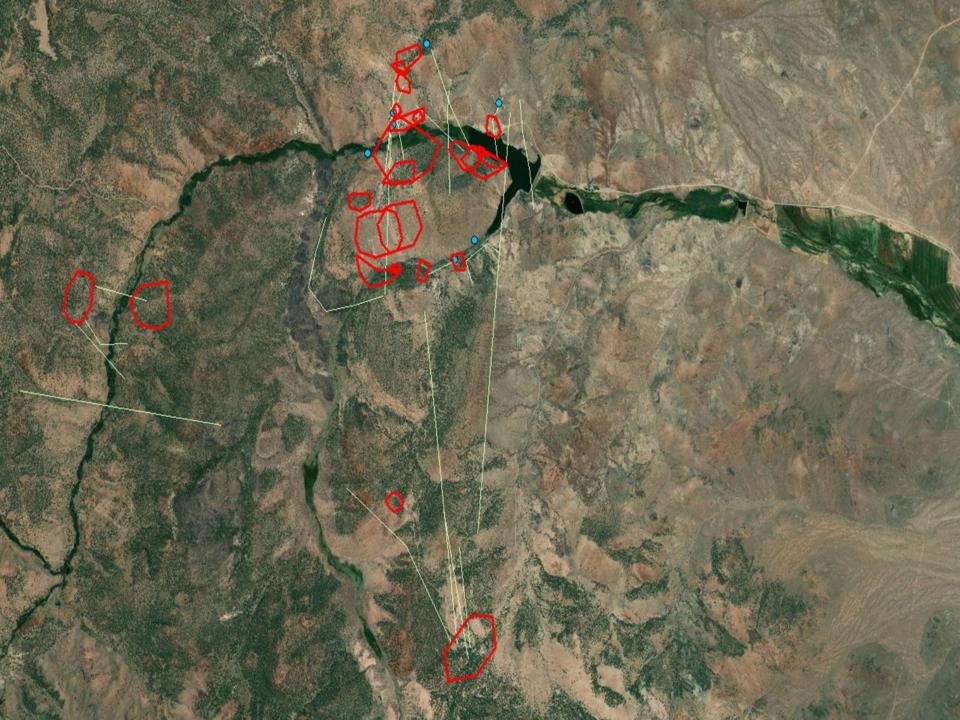
Natural History

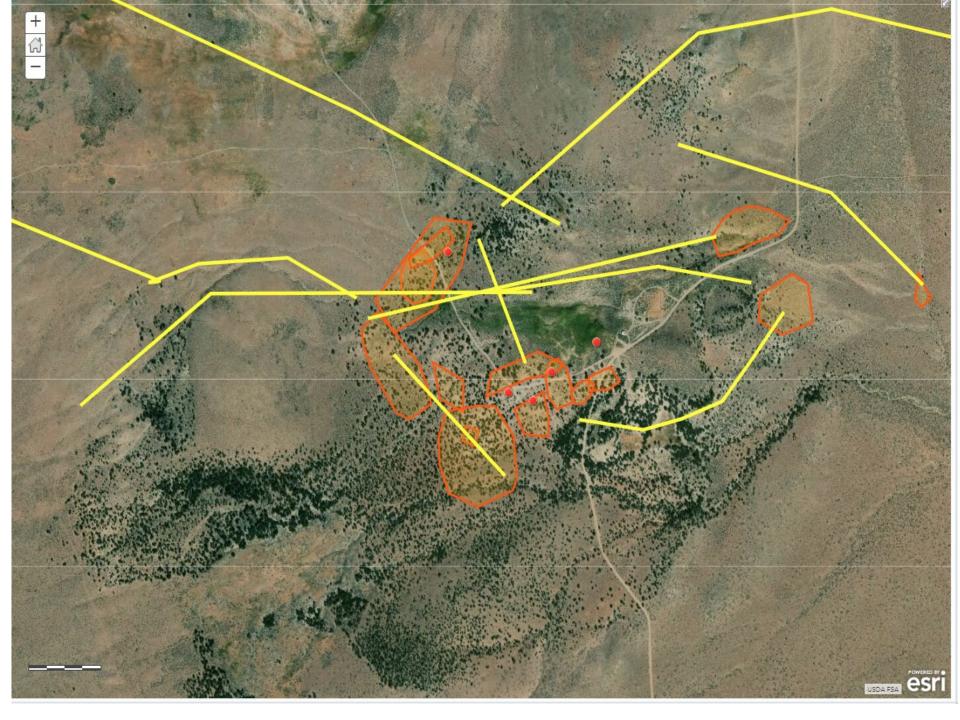


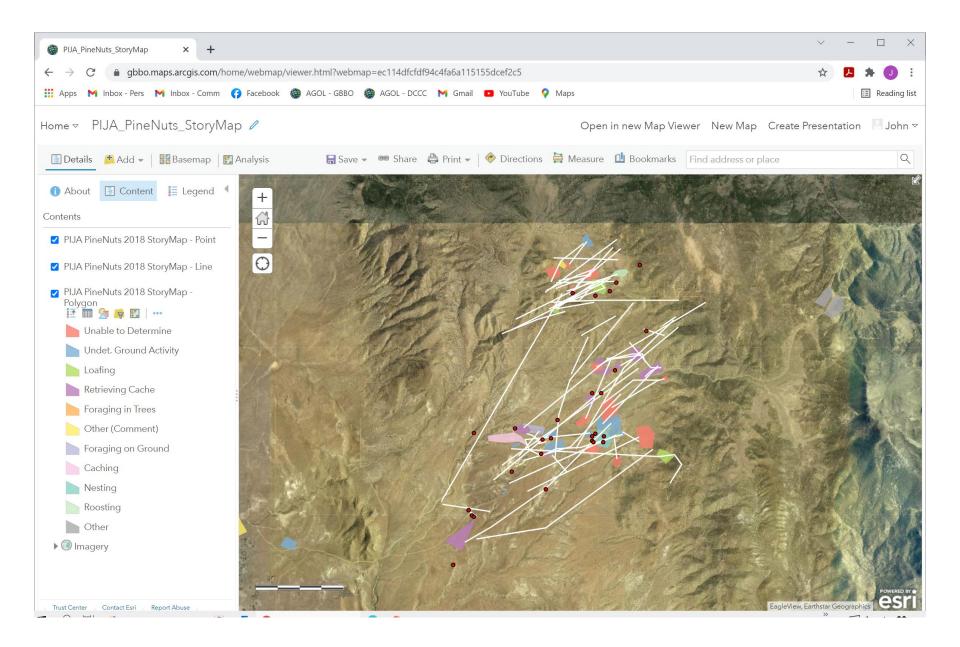


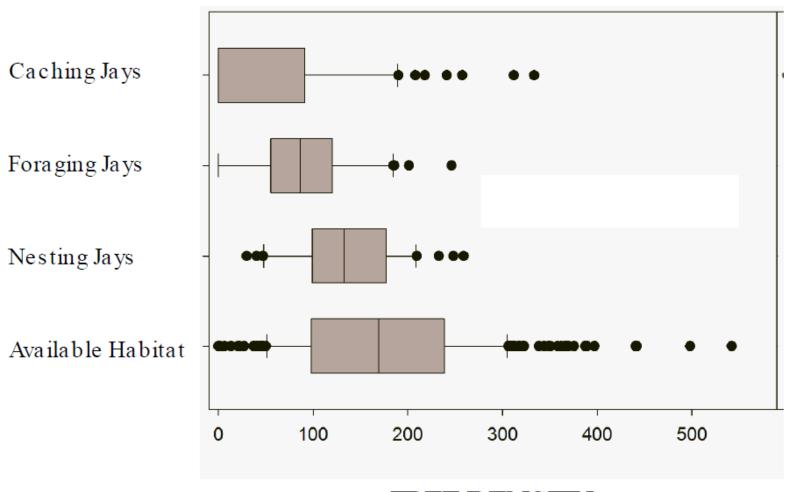




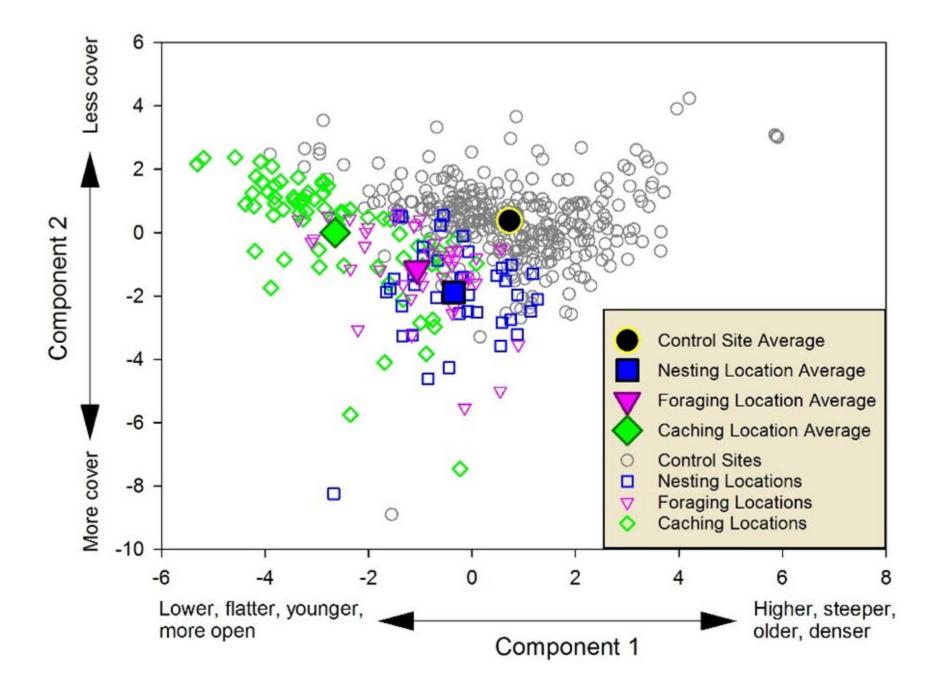


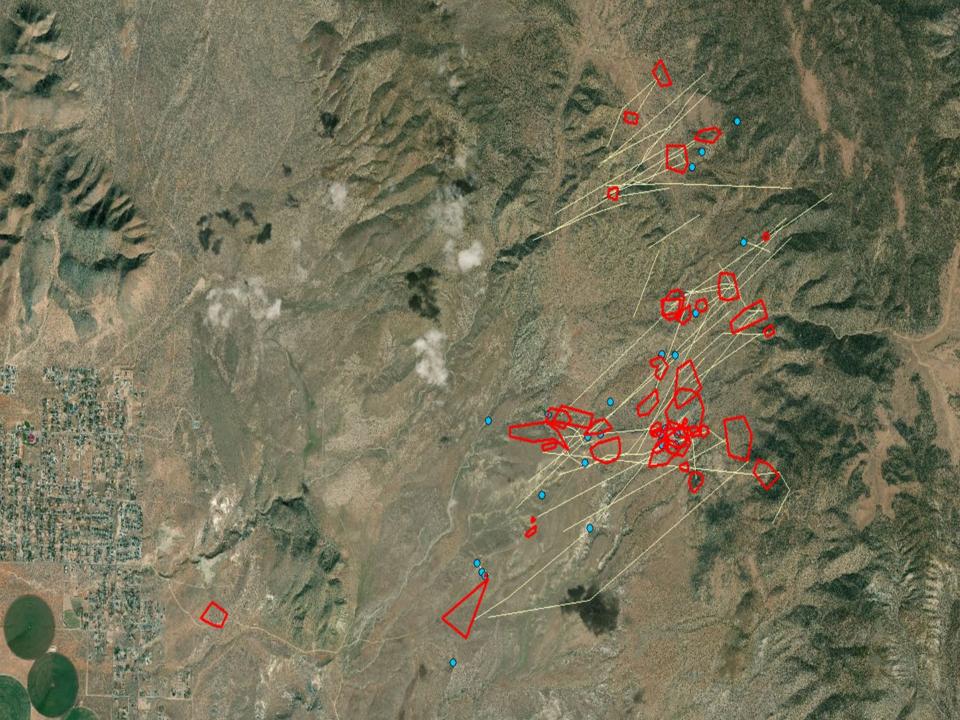




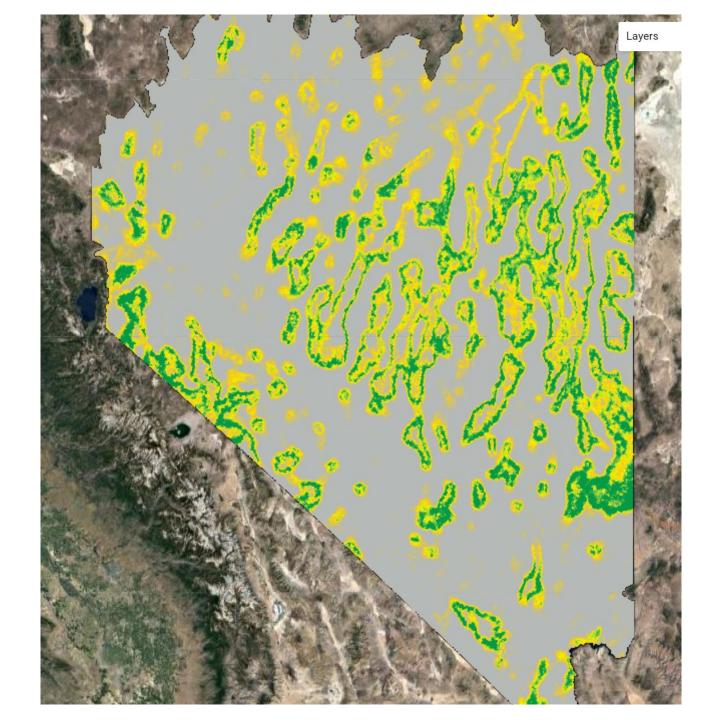


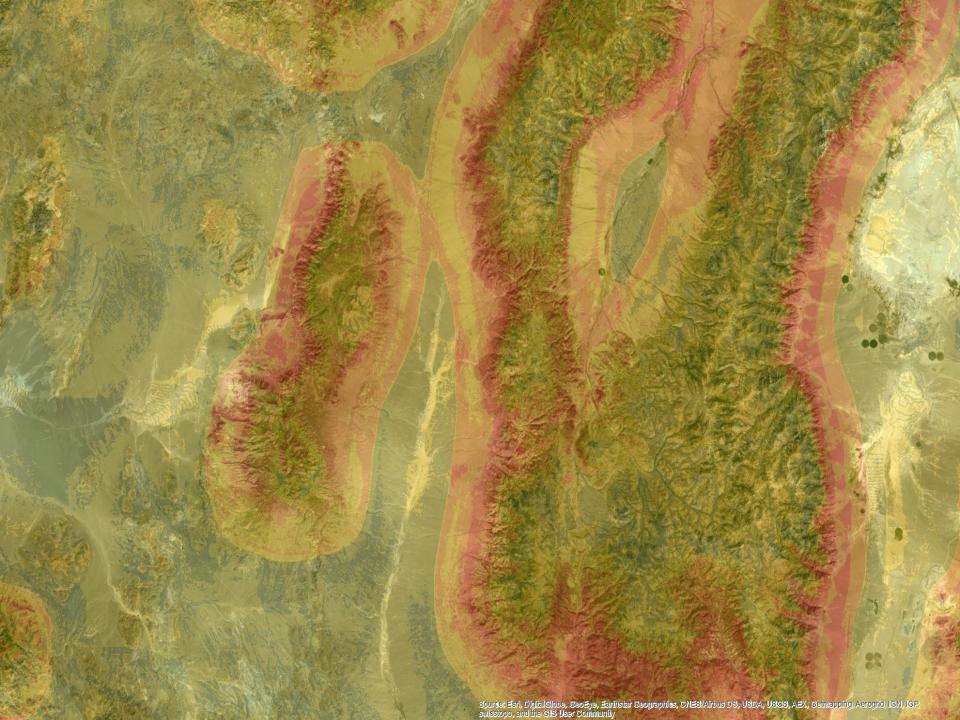
TREE DENSITY















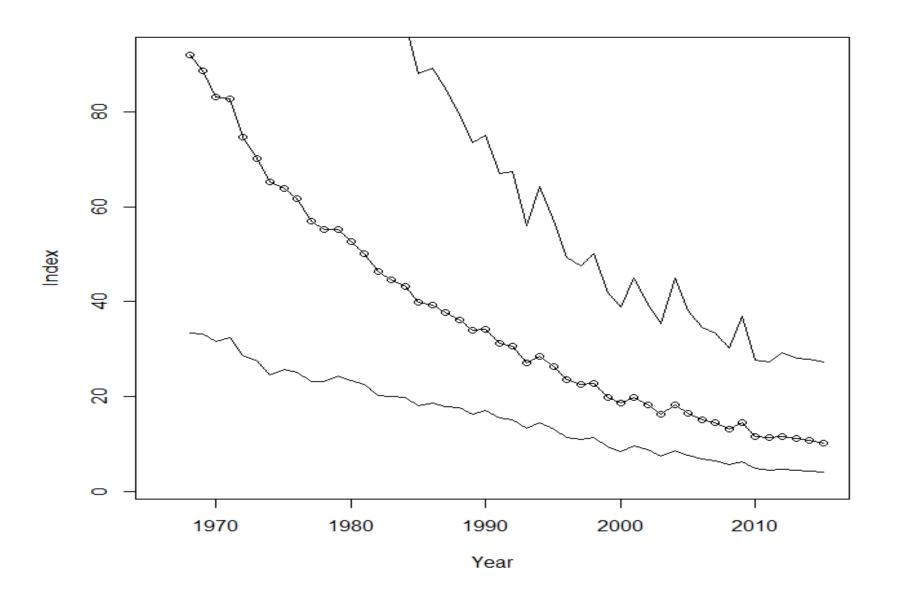




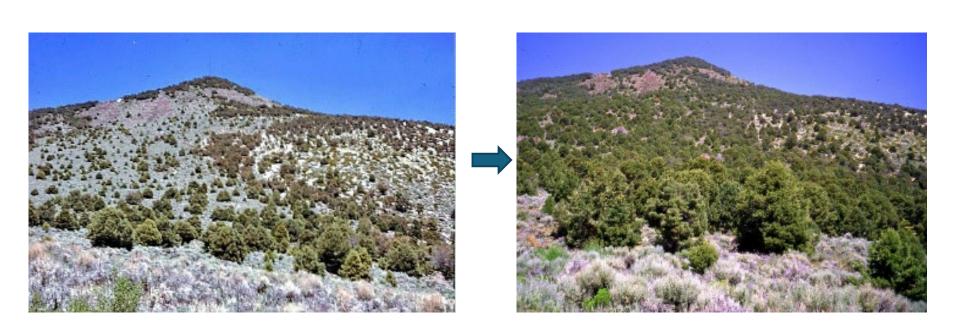




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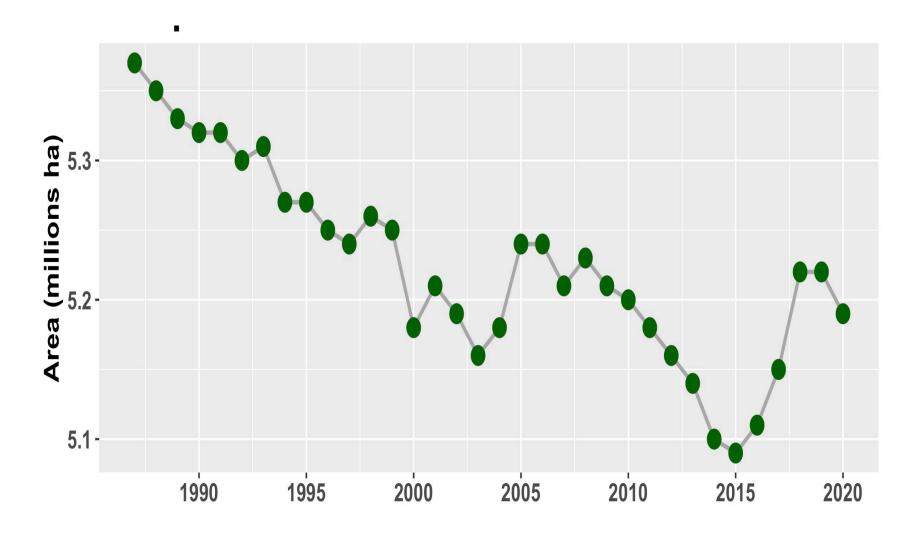


Hypotheses for Declines

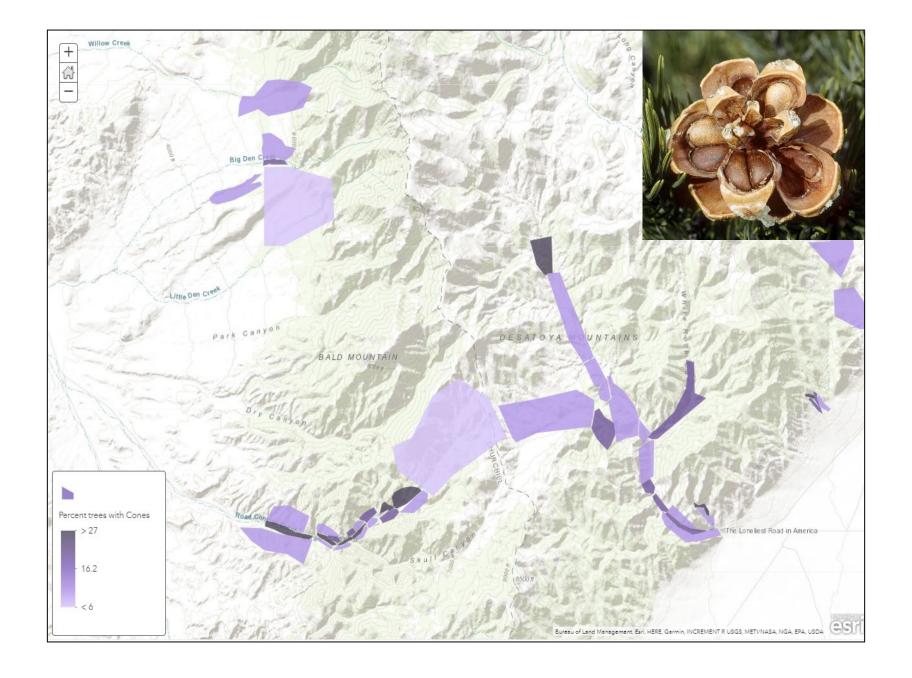


Photos: R. Tausch





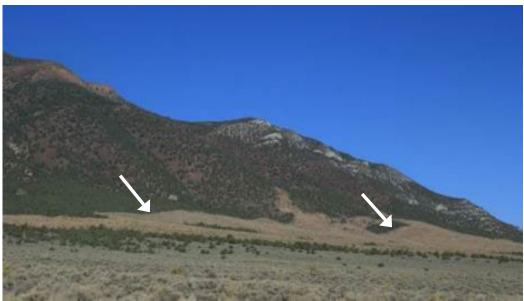
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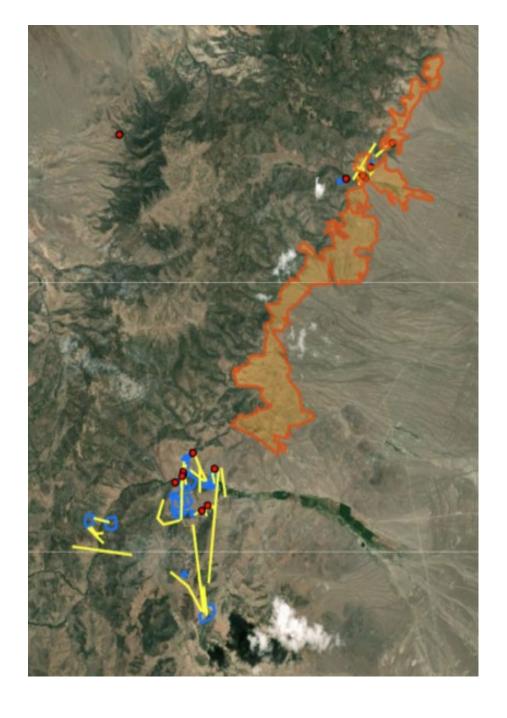


Role of Management?









Conservation Strategy for the Pinyon Jay (Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus)



Photo by Scott Somers

Version 1, February 2020







Conservation

Pinyon Jay Working Group

https://partnersinflight.or g/resources/conservation -strategy-for-pinyon-jay

Pinyon Jay Survey Protocol for Landscape Applications¹

Version 2.0 (Final)

Pinyon Jay Working Group



Photo: Carlos González Sanchez

PROJECT-LEVEL PROTOCOL FOR PINYON JAY OCCURRENCE AND CLEARANCE SURVEYS

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Photo by Great Basin Bird Observatory

February 2024 -DRAFT-

Petition to List the Pinyon Jay (*Gymnorhinus cyanocephalus*) as Endangered or Threatened Under the Endangered Species Act



Photo: Mike Lewinski, Taos, NM

Submitted to the U.S. Secretary of the Interior acting through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

April 25, 2022

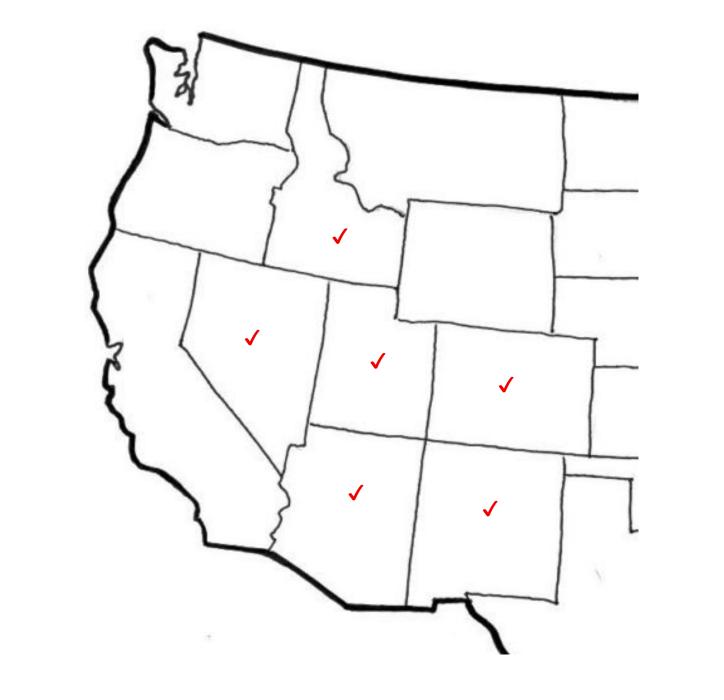


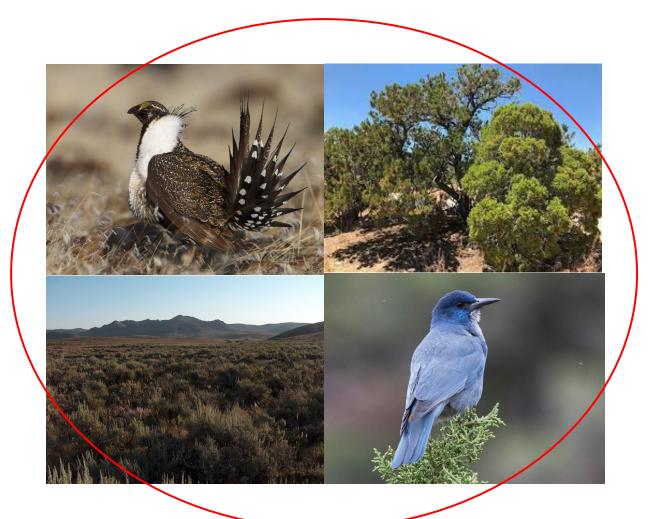
- Landscape "vision"
- Treatments for Woodland Health and Resilience
- Monitoring Toolkit
- Citizen Involvement

Masonic Mts. Forest Health Project

- USFS Rocky Mt. Research Station
- UNR
- Yale
- Washoe Tribe
- GBBO
- Others...



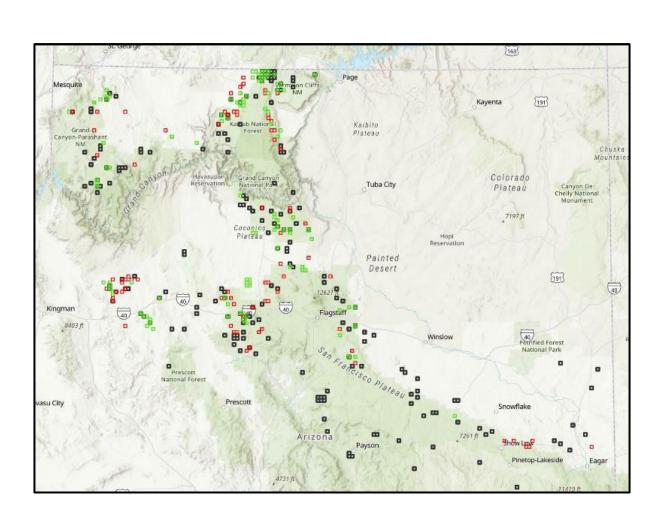






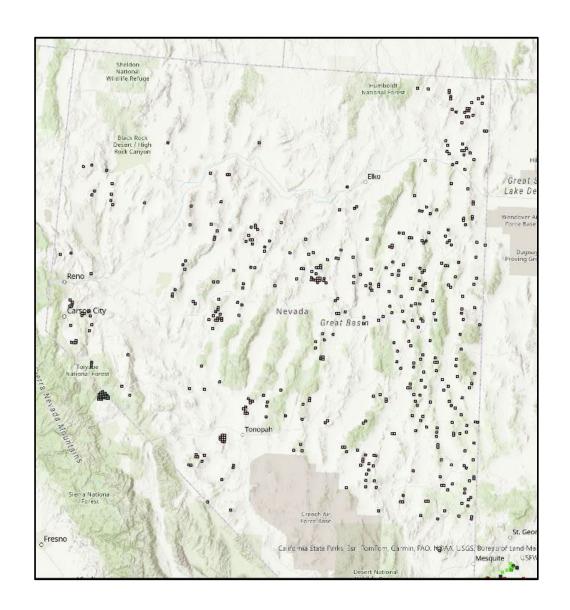
Great Basin Bird Observatory Pinyon Jay Projects

Landscape-level survey plots in Arizona since 2021



424 plots through 2024

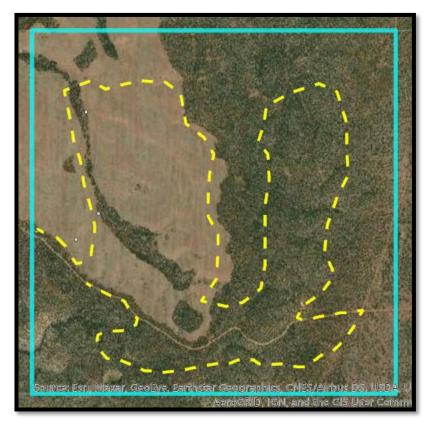
Breeding colony searches in 2024



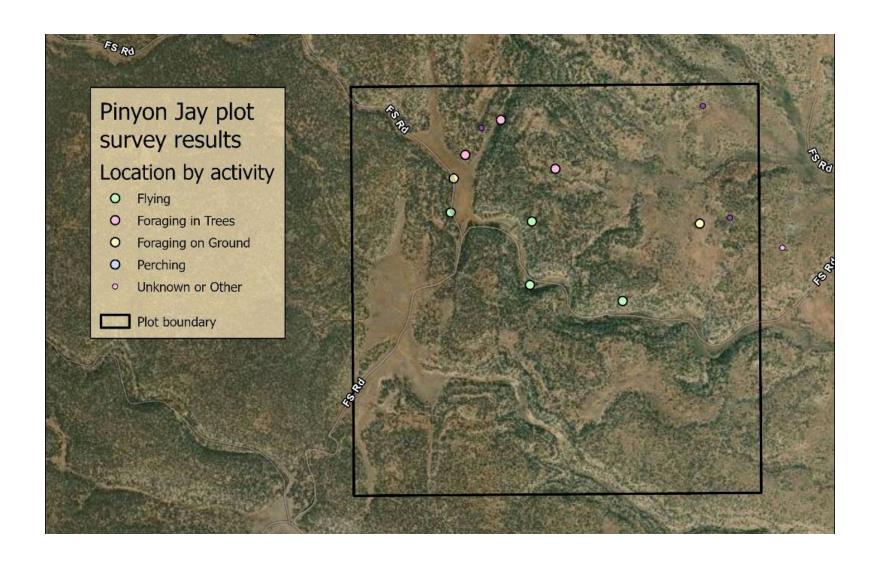
Surveys in Nevada and California 2023/2024

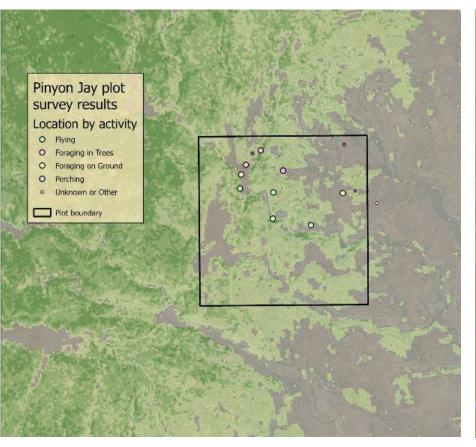
Survey Protocol

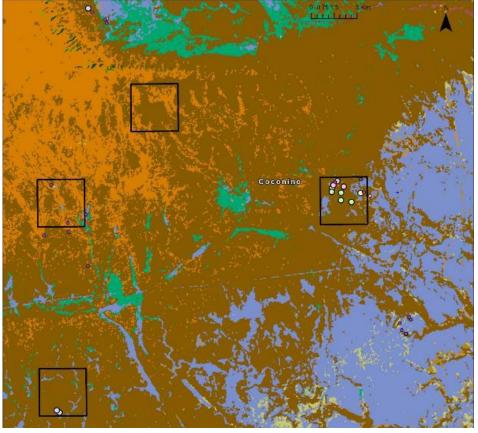
- 2.5 x 2.5km plots for sampling unit
- Area search approach
- Minimum survey time
- Three separate survey visits to a given plot to confirm absence
- Record multiple flock locations and activity types where possible

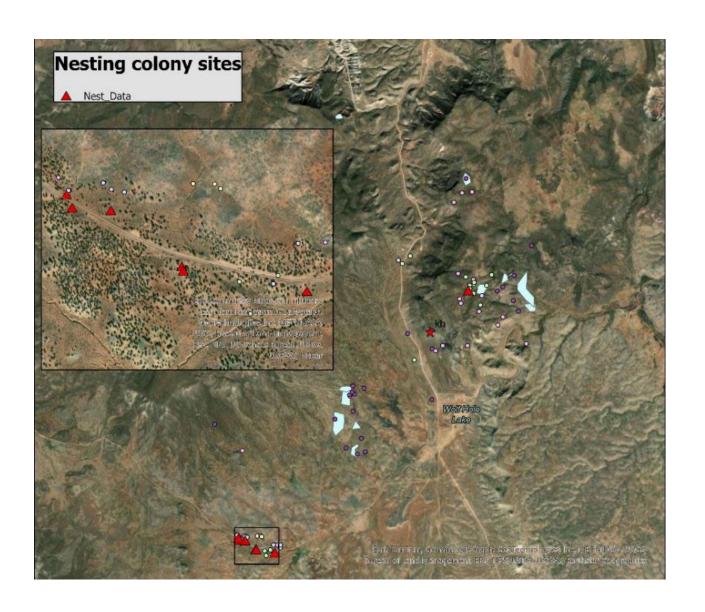




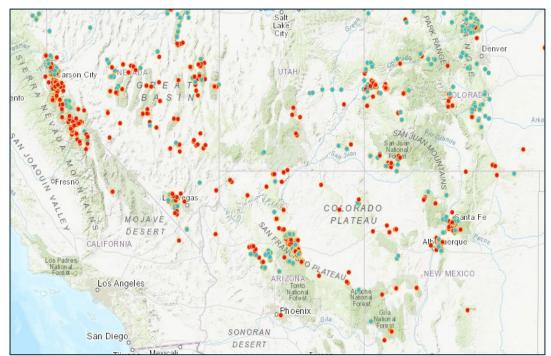














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