

NEW MEXICO BURROWING OWL OBSERVATION FORM (Updated March 2010)

Submit original form to New Mexico Burrowing Owl Working Group, PO Box 66658, Albuquerque, NM 87193-6658 or online at www.nmburrowingowl.com. Retain a copy for your records.

Please complete only one form per season per calendar year. Observation Year _____ Season (check one below):
 EARLY WINTER 21 to 31 December LATE WINTER 1 January to 20 March SPRING 21 March to 20 June SUMMER 21 June to 21 September FALL 22 September to 20 December

Reporting Individual _____ Phone # _____ E-mail _____

Affiliation _____ Date Report Completed _____

Name(s) of Observer(s) _____

General Description of Where Owl(s) Observed (maps highly encouraged) _____

Nearest Municipality _____ County _____

Coordinates: E _____ N _____ UTM Datum _____ (NAD 83 preferred) Zone (circle one) 12 13

Explain if Conducting Formal Research (e.g., Breeding Bird Surveys) when Observed Owl(s): _____

Rate Certainty that Burrowing Owl(s) was/were Correctly Identified on a Scale from 0 ("Not at All Certain") to 10 ("Completely Certain"): _____ Briefly Describe How Identified Burrowing Owl(s): _____

Are additional notes, photographs, and/or maps attached (circle one)? Yes No

OBSERVATION

Dates of Observations (m/d/y)	Duration of Observation	Total Number of Owls	Total Number of Adult Pairs	Total Number of Adults	Total Number of Young Birds	Behavioral Observations (Check All that Apply)
First Date: _____ Last Date: _____	Number of Days: _____ Total Time: _____ Hours _____ Minutes	(check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated <input type="checkbox"/> Actual	(check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated <input type="checkbox"/> Actual	(check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated <input type="checkbox"/> Actual	(check one) <input type="checkbox"/> Estimated <input type="checkbox"/> Actual	Chasing intruding owl or other animal <input type="checkbox"/> Copulating <input type="checkbox"/> Eating <input type="checkbox"/> Feeding young <input type="checkbox"/> Flying <input type="checkbox"/> Perched at or near burrow <input type="checkbox"/> Perched on fence, tree, shrub, etc. <input type="checkbox"/> Vocalizing <input type="checkbox"/> Walking, hopping, or running <input type="checkbox"/>

SITE DESCRIPTION (Complete as Thoroughly as Possible)

Management authority if known (circle one): Federal Tribal State Municipal/County Private Unknown

Name of management entity or owner if known (e.g., City of Albuquerque): _____

What best describes the land use at or adjacent to where the owl(s) was/were observed (check one):
 Urban Suburban Semi-Rural Rural Agricultural Undisturbed/Wild Unknown

Was/Were the owl(s) observed at a burrow (circle one)? Yes No If Yes, was the burrow (circle one): Natural Human-made

If at a human-made burrow, please describe (e.g., culvert): _____

If at a burrow, is the burrow in danger of being destroyed (circle one)? Yes No If Yes, explain: _____

Were any of the following burrowing animals also present (circle one)? prairie dog ground squirrel badger other _____

Were any owls banded (circle one)? Yes No Unknown If Yes, how many? _____

If owls banded, please indicate any color sequences or numbers and whether bands were on the left and/or right legs, e.g., red band over black band on left leg, aluminum on right leg or 1005-41554 (left leg), 0 Red/5 Black (right leg): _____

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