

## LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ACEC: Area of Critical Environmental Concern  
AGFD: Arizona Game and Fish Department  
ALC: American Land Conservancy  
AIS: Aquatic Invasive Species  
ANS: Aquatic Nuisance Species  
AOU: American Ornithological Union  
APHIS: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service  
ASU: Arizona State University  
ATCAS: Amargosa Toad Conservation Agreement/Strategy  
ATWG: Amargosa Toad Working Group

BBS: Breeding Bird Survey  
BLM: Bureau of Land Management  
BOR: Bureau of Reclamation  
BRD: Biological Research Division  
BSS: Big Spring Spinedace

CARA: Conservation and Reinvestment Act  
CBC: Christmas Bird Counts  
CCAA: Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances  
CCVI: Climate Change Vulnerability Index  
COE: Corp of Engineers  
CR: Colorado River  
CRM: Coordinated Resource Management  
CSC: Climate Science Center  
CSP: Conservation Security Program

DAPTF CA/NV: Declining Amphibian Population Task Force, California/Nevada Chapter  
DCP: Desert Conservation Program  
DFC: Desert Fishes Council  
DLCC: Desert Landscape Conservation Cooperative  
DOD/DOI: Department of Defense/Department of the Interior  
DOE: Department of Energy  
DPS: Distinct Population Segment  
DRI: Desert Research Institute  
DU: Ducks Unlimited

EDRR: Early Detection, Rapid Response  
ENLC: Eastern Nevada Landscape Coalition  
EQIP: Environmental Quality Incentives Program  
ESA: Endangered Species Act  
EWRA: Emergency Wetlands Resources Act

GAP: Gap Analysis Program

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GBBO: Great Basin Bird Observatory  
GBEP: Great Basin Environmental Program  
GBLCC: Great Basin Landscape Conservation Cooperative  
GBLW: Great Basin Land and Water  
GHABCOM: Global Habitat Comments  
GIS: Global Information System

HCP: Habitat Conservation Plan  
HWI: Hawk Watch International

IBA: Important Bird Area  
IUCN: The International Union for the Conservation of Nature & Natural Resources (World Conservation Union)  
IWJV: Intermountain West Joint Venture

LCC: Landscape Conservation Cooperative  
LCRMSCP: Lower Colorado River Multi-species Conservation Plan  
LMB: Largemouth Bass  
LTBMU: Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit

MDEI: Mojave Desert Ecosystem Initiative  
MDF: Mule Deer Foundation  
MRREIAC: Muddy River Regional Environmental Impact Alleviation Committee  
MSCP: Multiple Species Conservation Plan  
MSHCP: Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan

NACO: Nevada Association of Counties  
NAS: Naval Air Station  
NBI: Nevada Biodiversity Initiative  
NBU: Nevada Bighorns Unlimited  
NDCD: Nevada Division of Conservation Districts  
NDEP: Nevada Department of Environmental Protection  
NDOA: Nevada Department of Agriculture  
NDOM: Nevada Division of Minerals  
NDOW: Nevada Department of Wildlife  
NDSL: Nevada Division of State Lands  
NDSP: Nevada Division of State Parks  
NEPA: National Environmental Protection Act  
NESF: Northeastern Subpopulation Spotted Frog  
NESFCAS: Northeastern Subpopulation Spotted Frog Conservation Agreement/Strategy  
NESFTT: Northeastern Subpopulation Spotted Frog Technical Team  
NFH: National Fish Hatchery  
NFHTC: National Fish Hatchery and Technology Center  
NFWG: Native Fish Work Group  
NGO: Non-Governmental Organization  
NNHP: Nevada Natural Heritage Program  
NPS: National Park Service  
NPCD: Nevada Partners in Conservation & Development  
NRA: National Recreation Area

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NRCS: Natural Resource Conservation Service  
NSC: Nevada Sportsman Coalition  
NTS: Nevada Test Site  
NVSCP: Nevada Springs Conservation Plan  
NVWP: Nevada Wetlands Priority Conservation Plan  
NWFMWG: Northwest Fresh Mussel Working Group  
NWR: National Wildlife Refuge

OHV: Off-Highway Vehicle  
ORV: Off-Road Vehicle

PARC: Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation  
PARC A & RHMG: Partners in Amphibian & Reptile Conservation Amphibian and Reptile Habitat Mgmt Guidelines  
PCD: Partners in Conservation & Development  
PIF: Partners in Flight

Q1: Question 1 Conservation Bond and Resource Protection Grant Program

REA: Rapid Ecological Assessment  
RIT: Recovery Implementation Team  
RLF CAS: Relict Leopard Frog Conservation Agreement/Strategy  
RLFCT: Relict Leopard Frog Conservation Team  
RMEF: Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation  
RMP: Resource Management Plan  
RT: Recovery Team

SHA: Safe Harbor Agreement  
SMP: Species Management Plan  
SNWA: Southern Nevada Water Authority  
SWG: State Wildlife Grant  
SW PARC: Southwest Chapter of Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation  
SWReGAP: Southwest Regap

TMWA: Truckee Meadows Water Authority  
TNC: The Nature Conservancy  
TPL: Trust for Public Land  
TRPA: Tahoe Regional Planning Agency  
TSF CAS: Toiyabe Subpopulation Spotted Frog Conservation Agreement/Strategy  
TSFTT: Toiyabe Subpopulation Spotted Frog Technical Team  
TU: Trout Unlimited  
TWG: Tribal Wildlife Grant

UDWR: Utah Division of Wildlife Resources  
UNR: University of Nevada, Reno  
UNLV: University of Nevada, Las Vegas  
UPCD: Utah Partners for Conservation & Development

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USBoR: United States Bureau of Reclamation

USDA: United States Department of Agriculture

USFS: United States Forest Service

USFWS: United States Fish and Wildlife Service

USGS: United States Geological Survey

USGS-BRD: United States Geological Survey, Biological Resources Division

VR: Virgin River

VRRMRP: Virgin River Resource Management and Recovery Program

WAP: Wildlife Action Plan

WGA: Western Governor's Association

WHIN: Wildlife and Habitat Improvement of Nevada

WHIP: Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program

WMA: Wildlife Management Area (Nevada Department of Wildlife)

WRP: Wetlands Reserve Program

YCT: Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout

## GLOSSARY

- alluvial fan:** A deposit of rocks, sand, gravel, and finer materials that has been laid down by water as it flows from a mountainous area on to a plain.
- AOU (American Ornithologists' Union):** The oldest and largest organization in the New World devoted to the scientific study of birds. The recognized arbiter of lumping, splitting, and naming of bird species in North America.
- biogeography:** The study of the geographical distributions of organisms, their habitats and the historical and biological factors which produced them.
- commensalism:** a mutually beneficial relationship between organisms of different species.
- edaphic:** Influenced by the nature of the soil.
- endemic:** Native to, and restricted to, particular geographical region.
- habitat suitability model:** a description of physical factors, often quantified numerically, that describe the habitat preferred by a species.
- halophytic:** tolerant of saline conditions.
- hibernaculum:** a shelter occupied during the winter by a dormant animal. Plural: hibernacula.
- lentic:** pertaining to static or slow moving open water.
- lotic:** pertaining to fast-moving water habitats, such as streams and rivers.
- mesic:** characterized by the presence of moderate water.
- orographic:** pertaining to relief factors such as hills, mountains, plateaux, valleys and slopes.
- seral:** of, relating to, or constituting an ecological sere (a series of ecological communities formed in ecological succession).
- stochasticity:** referring to patterns resulting from random factors.
- subnivean:** the zone in or under snowpack or occurring under the snowpack.
- urostyle:** a spikelike bone, a downward extension of the vertebral column. Its presence is evidence that primitive frogs probably had tails.
- xeric:** characterized by aridity.
- xerophytic:** tolerant of arid conditions.

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