

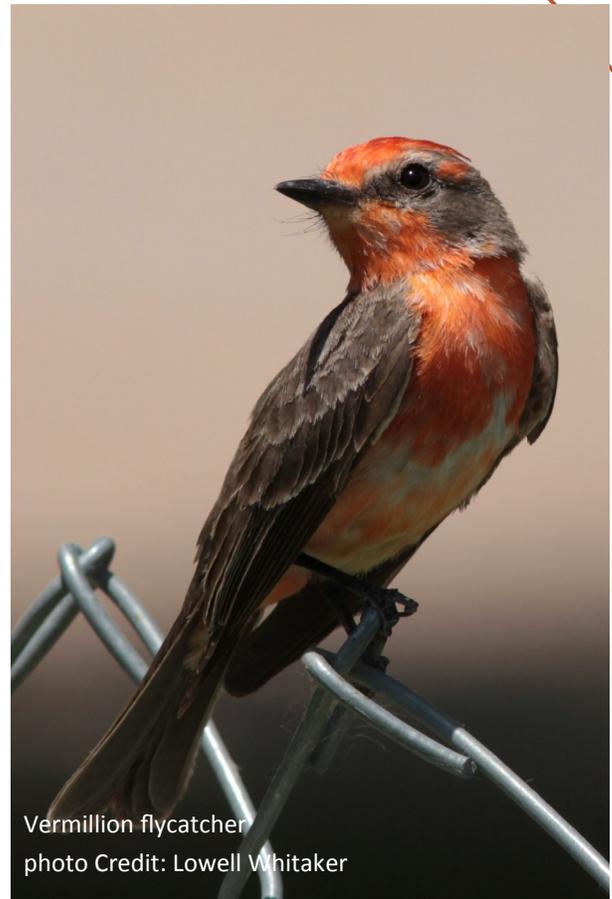


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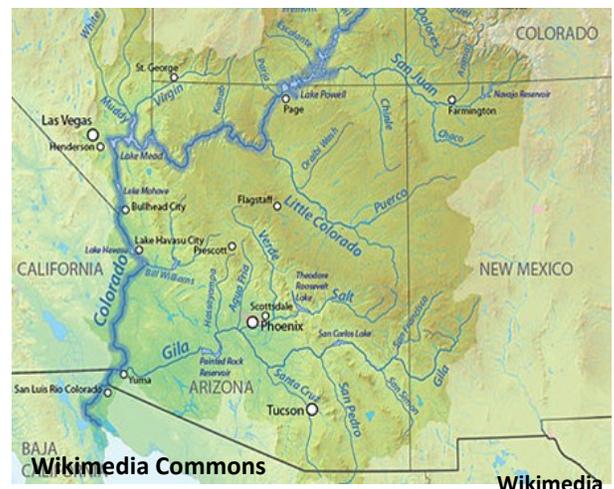
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The San Pedro River:

- The San Pedro River is the last undammed desert river in the American Southwest.
- Visitors to two sites alone, Ramsey Canyon and the San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area, contribute up to 28 million dollars to local economies and generate up to 590 jobs.
- Over 40% of the total number of bird species in North America depend upon the San Pedro River at some point in their lives.
- The San Pedro River provides critical habitat to **84 species of mammals, 41 species of reptiles and amphibians, and more than 300 species of birds** including the imperiled yellow-billed cuckoo and southwestern willow flycatcher.
- Thanks to the bipartisan efforts of Arizona's Congressional delegation, **the 57,000 acre San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area was designated in 1988 and contains 40 miles of the Upper San Pedro. It is home to the largest and most pristine example of desert-riparian habitat in the United States.**
- **Groundwater pumping in the San Pedro River watershed has decreased the river's base flows by 67% since the 1940.**
- The **deficit between rainwater recharge and local water needs is expected to reach 4.2 billion gallons per year by 2020** in the Upper San Pedro Basin.
- **In April of 2013, the Arizona Department of Water Resources approved additional groundwater pumping in the Upper San Pedro Watershed.**



Vermilion flycatcher
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Audubon Arizona, az.audubon.org

Western Rivers Action Network - Arizona, az.audubon.org/western-rivers-action-network-0

Tucson Audubon Society, tucsonaudubon.org

Huachuca Audubon Society, huachuca-audubon.org

Trout Unlimited - Arizona, az-tu.org

Arizona Wildlife Federation, azwildlife.org

Friends of the San Pedro, sanpedroriver.org

Lower San Pedro River IBA, aziba.org

San Pedro Riparian National Conservation Area IBA, aziba.org

Join Audubon's Western Rivers Action Network as we rise to this historic challenge to create healthier western rivers for birds, other wildlife, and people.

<http://audubonaction.org/western-rivers>

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