

SAN JOAQUIN KANGAROO RATS
TIPTON KANGAROO RAT
(DIPODOMYS NITRATOIDES NITRATOIDES)

Federal/California status: Endangered/Endangered



Description

This kangaroo rat is one of three subspecies of the San Joaquin kangaroo rat. Its total length averages from about 8.5 (221 mm) to 9.25 inches (235 mm). All three subspecies occur in the San Joaquin Valley, are smaller and slightly darker than the other kangaroo rats in the Valley, and have four toes on the hind foot.

Range/distribution

There are scattered populations on the Valley floor in Kern, Kings, and Tulare counties. They have been found near Tipton, Pixley, Earlimart, Delano, the Kern River, and the California Aqueduct.

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