

SAN JOAQUIN KANGAROO RATS
SHORT-NOSED KANGAROO RAT
(DIPODOMYS NITRATOIDES BREVINASUS)

DFG: Species of Special Concern



Description

The short-nosed kangaroo rat is the third of the three subspecies of the San Joaquin kangaroo rat. It is similar in size and appearance to the Tipton and Fresno kangaroo rats, and has four toes on the hind foot. It ranges in total length from about 9 inches (232 mm) to about 10 inches (252 mm).

Habitat/Range

This kangaroo rat generally lives in the arid grasslands and shrublands on the western edge of the San Joaquin Valley, from the Valley floor west into the foothills.

Photo: Photo of Tipton kangaroo rat by CSUS/ESRP, others © Rosalie Faubion

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