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Attached are peer reviews of the Nur et al. modeling report. Report was reviewed by Holly Gellerman, MSc, of California Department of Fish and Wildlife-Office of Spill Prevention and Response, and by Brian Halstead, PhD, Wildlife Biologist, USGS-Western Ecological Research Center. Comments are favorable of the report but Brian in particular had some good comments that need to be addressed.

My goal was to get 3 peer reviews, but I could only get two despite several attempts.

An additional comment I have is related to the apparent increase in Burrowing Owl abundance during the last few years of the study. The apparent increase corresponds to the period when effort to enumerate and track owls increased substantially on the island, and I'm wondering if effort had more to do with the "increase" than a true jump in numbers. This needs to be addressed, even if you disagree with that.

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