

# WESTERN BIRDS



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# *Western Specialty:* Flammulated Owl



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Flammulated Owl (*Otus flammeolus*)  
San Gabriel Mountains, Los Angeles County, California, August 2005