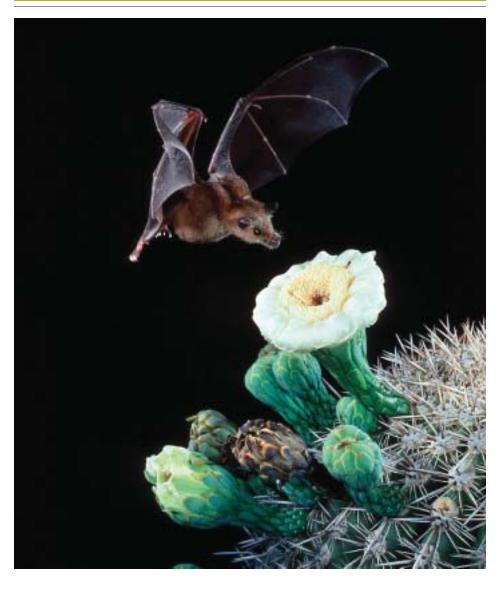
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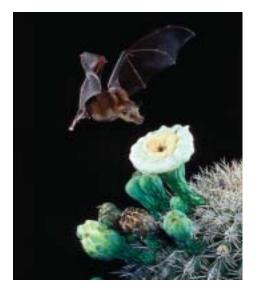
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The pond at Quitobaquito provides vital desert wetland habitat for unique fish, turtle, and snail species. Photo by Sue Rutman/NPS

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