Managing Water in the West

Interior Least Terns and Vegetation Management at Brantley Lake 2006



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#### Interior Least Tern (Sternula antillarum athalassos)



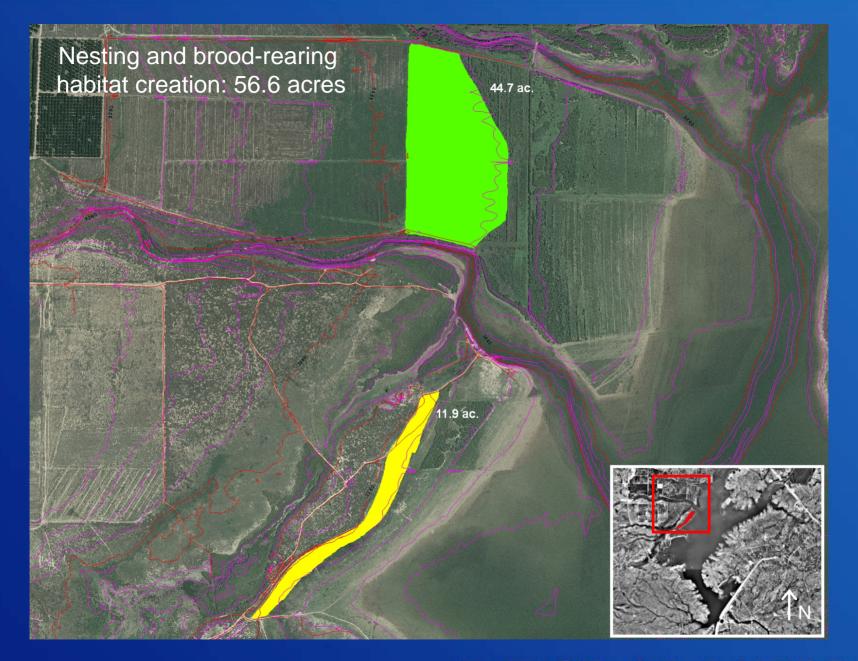


- Arrive mid-May
- Nest shallow, exposed depression
- 2 3 eggs in late May or early June
- Incubation ~ 21 days
- Chicks leave nest ~ 3 days
- First flight ~ 20 days













## Vegetation Removal & Surface Preparation



- Start 19 April 2006
- Complete 5 June 2006
- Additional 28 acres by May 2007
- Maintain annually for 10 years





