

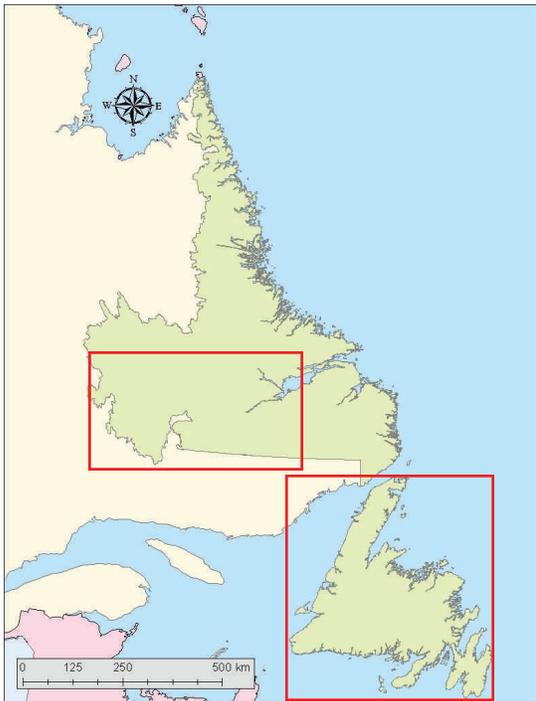
Olive-sided Flycatcher

(*Contopus cooperi*)

- The Olive-sided Flycatcher is a medium-sized songbird.
- Their plumage is a deep brown to olive-grey colour, with white plumage on their throats, breast, and belly.
- Their song, a loud, three-note whistle - *Quick, THREE BEERS!* - is very distinctive.
- The females lay three eggs in a shallow open-cup nest on a horizontal tree branch.



Provincial Distribution



Habitat/ Range

Olive-sided Flycatchers are associated with open areas of the boreal forest, such as wetlands and logged and burned areas, that have tall trees or snags. They breed throughout the forests of Canada, including on the island of Newfoundland and in southern Labrador. They winter in Central America and the Andes Mountains of South America.

Population Trends

The Olive-sided Flycatcher has shown a widespread and continuing population decline over the past 30 years across both Canada and the United States (4%/year from 1968-2006). Population trends within Newfoundland and Labrador are unknown.

Limiting Factors and Threats

Currently it is unclear why their population is declining, though change in boreal forest fire cycles and loss of wintering/migration habitat have been suggested as the most likely factors.

Special Significance

The Olive-sided Flycatcher depends on habitat within this Province and Canada to breed.

You can help protect the Olive-sided Flycatcher:

- Report any sightings to the Wildlife Division.
- Participate in bird surveys and counts.
- Support habitat protection for all our rare species.

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