period, the Topanga Canyon undergoes drastic temperature changes. Some days, the temperature was 55°F while other days, the temperature reached 99°F.

Over 2,000 *Drosophila* individuals were collected. Approximately 90% of the collection corresponded to *D. simulans*. The rest of the individuals in the collections, mostly males, were from the follow species: *D. melanogaster*, *D. pseudoobscura*, *D. mainlandi*, *D. mercatorum*, *D. funebris*, *D. immigrans*, *D. repleta*, *D. suzukii*, and *D. persimilis*.* Nevertheless, four *D. bifurca* individuals were located at 34.08014N, -118.579516W. Three drowned males and one female alive were transported to the laboratory. Once in the lab, I checked external anatomy. Along with other external characteristics like the pollinose pleurae, yellowish-brown legs, eight rows of acrostical hairs, and one prominent oral bristle, I recognized the very long and strongly curved hairs on the medial side of males' fore tarsi. In addition I made the male genitalia dissections and I compared them to those presented by Vilela (1983): the epandrium had 11 lower and two upper bristles, the surstylus had 11 primary teeth, and the aedeagus was big and strongly bow-shaped. I confirmed that all individuals correspond to *D. bifurca*. The female was isolated in a vial. Unfortunately, after 13 days, she did not lay eggs. This is, therefore, the first *D. bifurca* record in California. Also, this is the first record for the pest cherry-associated *D. suzukii* in the Topanga Canyon area.

*Identification of this species was based on the morphology presented by Rizki (1951).

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