



Species at Risk Act (SARA) Consultation, Cooperation and Accommodation Project

Species at Risk List for Prairie Region: Alberta, Manitoba, Saskatchewan

Glossary of Terms

Action Plan: an action plan is a document that defines the projects or activities required to meet the goals and objectives outlined in the recovery strategy for a wildlife species.

COSEWIC: the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC) is an independent advisory panel to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada that meets twice a year to assess the status of wildlife species at risk of extinction. Members are wildlife biology experts from academia, government, non-governmental organizations and the private sector responsible for designating wildlife species in danger of disappearing from Canada.

Endangered: a wildlife species that is facing imminent extirpation or extinction.

Management Plan: a management plan is a document that sets goals and objectives for maintaining sustainable population levels of one or more species that are particularly sensitive to environmental factors, but which are not in danger of becoming extinct.

Recovery Strategy: a recovery strategy is a document that outlines the long-term goals and short-term objectives for recovering a species at risk, based on the best available scientific baseline information.

Special Concern: a wildlife species that may become a threatened or an endangered species because of a combination of biological characteristics and identified threats.

Species at Risk: an extirpated, endangered, threatened species, or a species of special concern.

Threatened: a wildlife species that is likely to become endangered if nothing is done to reverse the factors leading to its extirpation or extinction.

Species included in listing consultations			
Species	Scientific Name	Current Status (SARA)	COSEWIC Assessment
Black Ash	<i>Fraxinus nigra</i>	Not listed	Threatened
Limber Pine	<i>Pinus flexilis</i>	Not listed	Endangered
Black Hills Mountainsnail	<i>Oreohelix cooperi</i>	Not listed	Endangered
Manitoba Oakworm	<i>Anisota manitobensis</i>	Not listed	Special Concern
Suckley's Cuckoo Bumble Bee	<i>Bombus suckleyi</i>	Not listed	Threatened
Western Bumble Bee occidentalis subspecies	<i>Bombus occidentalis occidentalis</i>	Not listed	Threatened
Mottled Duskywing (Boreal population)	<i>Erynnis martialis</i>	Not listed	Endangered
Monarch	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>	Special Concern	Endangered
Nine-spotted Lady Beetle	<i>Coccinella novemnotata</i>	Not listed	Endangered
Aweme Borer	<i>Papaipema aweme</i>	Endangered	Data Deficient
Greater short-horned Lizard	<i>Phrynosoma hernandesi</i>	Endangered	Special Concern
Plains Hog-nosed snake	<i>Heterodon nasicus</i>	Not listed	Special Concern
Ross's Gull	<i>Rhodostethia rosea</i>	Threatened	Endangered
Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	Not listed	Threatened
Red Knot rufa subspecies (Northeastern South American wintering population)	<i>Calidris canutus rufa</i>	Not listed	Special Concern
Red Knot rufa subspecies (Southeastern USA/ Gulf of Mexico/ Caribbean wintering population)	<i>Calidris canutus rufa</i>	Not listed	Endangered
Hudsonian Godwit	<i>Limosa haemastica</i>	Not listed	Threatened
Ferruginous Hawk	<i>Buteo regalis</i>	Threatened	Special Concern
Peregrine Falcon anatum/tundrius	<i>Falco peregrinus anatum/tundrius</i>	Special Concern	Not at risk
Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>	Special Concern	Threatened
Common Nighthawk	<i>Chordeiles minor</i>	Threatened	Special Concern
Olive-sided Flycatcher	<i>Contopus cooperi</i>	Threatened	Special Concern
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Threatened	Special Concern
Canada Warbler	<i>Cardellina canadensis</i>	Threatened	Special Concern
Chestnut-collared Longspur	<i>Calcarius ornatus</i>	Threatened	Endangered
Harris's Sparrow	<i>Zonotrichia querula</i>	Not listed	Special Concern
Plains Bison	<i>Bison bison bison</i>	Not listed	Threatened

Species with recovery documents in development			
Species	Scientific Name	SARA Status	Document Type
Whitebark Pine	<i>Pinus albicaulis</i>	Endangered	Recovery Strategy
Buffalo Grass	<i>Bouteloua dactyloides</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Gypsy Cuckoo Bumble Bee	<i>Bombus bohemicus</i>	Endangered	Recovery Strategy
Gibson's Big Sand Tiger Beetle	<i>Cicindela formosa gibsoni</i>	Threatened	Recovery Strategy
Greenish-white Grasshopper	<i>Hypochlora alba</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Dakota Skipper	<i>Hesperia dacotae</i>	Endangered	Amended Recovery Strategy
Poweshiek Skipperling	<i>Oarisma poweshiek</i>	Endangered	Amended Recovery Strategy
Western Tiger Salamander (Prairie / Boreal population)	<i>Ambystoma mavortium</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Eastern Tiger Salamander (Prairie population)	<i>Ambystoma tigrinum</i>	Endangered	Recovery Strategy
Prairie Rattlesnake	<i>Crotalus viridis</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Western Grebe	<i>Aechmophorus occidentalis</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Horned Grebe (Western population)	<i>Podiceps auritus</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Piping Plover circumcinctus subspecies	<i>Charadrius melodus circumcinctus</i>	Endangered	Recovery Strategy / Action Plan
Buff-breasted Sandpiper	<i>Tryngites subruficollis</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Red-necked Phalarope	<i>Phalaropus lobatus</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Red-headed Woodpecker	<i>Melanerpes erythrocephalus</i>	Endangered	Amended Recovery Strategy
Chimney Swift	<i>Chaetura pelagica</i>	Threatened	Recovery Strategy
Black Swift	<i>Cypseloides niger</i>	Endangered	Recovery Strategy
Eastern Wood-pewee	<i>Contopus virens</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Baird's Sparrow	<i>Ammodramus bairdii</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan

Lark Bunting	<i>Calamospiza melanocorys</i>	Threatened	Recovery Strategy
McCown's (Thick-billed) Longspur	<i>Rhynchophanes mccownii</i>	Threatened	Recovery Strategy
Evening Grosbeak	<i>Coccothraustes vespertinus</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Bobolink	<i>Dolichonyx oryzivorus</i>	Threatened	Recovery Strategy
Grizzly Bear (Western population)	<i>Ursus arctos</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Polar Bear	<i>Ursus maritimus</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
American Badger taxus subspecies	<i>Taxidea taxus taxus</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Wolverine	<i>Gulo gulo</i>	Special Concern	Management Plan
Wood Bison	<i>Bison bison athabascaae</i>	Threatened	Amended Recovery Strategy
Woodland Caribou (Southern Mountain population)	<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>	Threatened	Amended Recovery Strategy
Woodland Caribou (Boreal population)	<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>	Threatened	Amended Recovery Strategy