

# Wisconsin Endangered and Threatened Species Laws & List



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## Definitions

**Wisconsin Endangered Species:** Any species whose continued existence as a viable component of this state's wild animals or wild plants is determined by the Department to be in jeopardy on the basis of scientific evidence.

**Wisconsin Threatened Species:** Any species which appears likely, within the foreseeable future, on the basis of scientific evidence to become endangered.

## State Laws

Endangered and Threatened Species Laws (State Statute 29.604 & Administrative Rule NR27)

**Animals** - It is illegal to take, transport, possess, process or sell any wild animal that is included on the Wisconsin Endangered and Threatened Species List without a valid permit.

**Plants** - No one may process or sell any wild plant that is a listed species without a valid permit. On public lands or lands you do not own, lease, or have the permission of the landowner, you may not cut, root up, sever, injure, destroy, remove, transport or carry away a listed plant without a permit. There is an exemption on public lands for forestry, agriculture and utility activity.

**Permits** - No one is exempt from these laws, but an Endangered or Threatened Species "Scientific" Permit or an Incidental Take Permit can allow you to conduct certain activities under specified conditions. The Department of Natural Resources may issue these permits, under specified terms and conditions to take, transport, possess, or export listed endangered or threatened species. Permit information and applications are available from the Bureau of Endangered Resources (address below).

## Violations

**Endangered and Threatened Animals:** If the state law is violated unintentionally, the violator is subject to a fine of no less than \$500 and no more than \$2,000 and the court shall revoke all hunting privileges for one year. If the law is violated intentionally a person may be fined no less than \$2,000 and no more than \$5,000 or may be imprisoned for 9 months, or both. The court shall revoke all hunting privileges for three years. Violations of Federal Laws will result in additional penalties.

**Endangered and Threatened Plants:** If the state law is violated unintentionally, the person is subject to a fine of \$1,000 or less. If the law is violated intentionally, the person is subject to a fine of \$1,000 or less and/or 9 months imprisonment.

Report violations of wildlife laws to the toll-free Wisconsin Emergency Hotline: (1-800-847-9367).

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# Wisconsin's Endangered and Threatened Species List

## Effective Dates of Listing

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|----------------------|----------------------|
| (A) October 1, 1972  | (F) December 1, 1982 |
| (B) October 1, 1975  | (G) April 1, 1985    |
| (C) May 1, 1978      | (H) August 1, 1989   |
| (D) October 1, 1979  | (I) August 1, 1997   |
| (E) November 1, 1981 | (J) October 1, 1999  |
| (F) December 1, 1982 | (K) June 1, 2011     |

## MAMMALS

### ENDANGERED

- |                     |                         |
|---------------------|-------------------------|
| (A) American Marten | <i>Martes americana</i> |
|---------------------|-------------------------|

### THREATENED

- |                             |                               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (K) Big brown bat           | <i>Eptesicus fuscus</i>       |
| (K) Little brown bat        | <i>Myotis lucifugus</i>       |
| (K) Northern long-eared bat | <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i> |
| (K) Eastern pipistrelle     | <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>   |

## BIRDS

### ENDANGERED

- |                             |                               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (D) Piping Plover**         | <i>Charadrius melodus</i>     |
| (H) Yellow-throated Warbler | <i>Dendroica dominica</i>     |
| (I) Snowy Egret             | <i>Egretta thula</i>          |
| (B) Peregrine Falcon**      | <i>Falco peregrinus</i>       |
| (H) Worm-eating Warbler     | <i>Helmitheros vermivorus</i> |
| (D) Loggerhead Shrike       | <i>Lanius ludovicianus</i>    |
| (F) Red-necked Grebe        | <i>Podiceps grisegena</i>     |
| (H) Caspian Tern            | <i>Sterna caspia</i>          |
| (D) Forster's Tern          | <i>Sterna forsteri</i>        |
| (D) Common Tern             | <i>Sterna hirundo</i>         |
| (H) Bewick's Wren           | <i>Thryomanes bewickii</i>    |
| (D) Barn Owl                | <i>Tyto alba</i>              |

### THREATENED

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|--------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| (I) Henslow's Sparrow          | <i>Ammodramus henslowii</i>        |
| (D) Red-shouldered Hawk        | <i>Buteo lineatus</i>              |
| (D) Great Egret                | <i>Casmerodius albus</i>           |
| (I) Yellow Rail                | <i>Coturnicops noveboracensis</i>  |
| (I) Spruce Grouse              | <i>Dendragapus canadensis</i>      |
| (H) Cerulean Warbler           | <i>Dendroica cerulea</i>           |
| (H) Acadian Flycatcher         | <i>Empidonax virescens</i>         |
| (H) Yellow-Crowned Night-Heron | <i>Nyctanassa violaceus</i>        |
| (H) Kentucky Warbler           | <i>Oporornis formosus</i>          |
| (D) Greater Prairie-Chicken    | <i>Tympanuchus cupido pinnatus</i> |
| (H) Bell's Vireo               | <i>Vireo bellii</i>                |
| (H) Hooded Warbler             | <i>Wilsonia citrina</i>            |

## REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS

### ENDANGERED

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| (F) Blanchard's Cricket Frog | <i>Acris crepitans</i>       |
| (D) Slender Glass Lizard     | <i>Ophisaurus attenuatus</i> |
| (A) Queen Snake              | <i>Regina septemvittata</i>  |

### Massasauga

- |                           |                            |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| (B) Rattlesnake           | <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> |
| (A) Ornate Box Turtle     | <i>Terrapene ornata</i>    |
| (D) Western Ribbon Snake  | <i>Thamnophis proximus</i> |
| (D) Northern Ribbon Snake | <i>Thamnophis sauritus</i> |

### THREATENED

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| (B) Wood Turtle           | <i>Clemmys insculpta</i>    |
| (D) Blanding's Turtle     | <i>Emydoidea blandingii</i> |
| (I) Butler's Garter Snake | <i>Thamnophis butleri</i>   |

## FISHES

### ENDANGERED

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|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| (H) Skipjack Herring   | <i>Alosa chrysochloris</i>    |
| (D) Crystal Darter     | <i>Crystallaria asprella</i>  |
| (D) Gravel Chub        | <i>Erimystax x-punctata</i>   |
| (D) Bluntnose Darter   | <i>Etheostoma chlorosomum</i> |
| (D) Starhead Topminnow | <i>Fundulus dispar</i>        |
| (D) Goldeye            | <i>Hiodon alosoides</i>       |
| (D) Striped Shiner     | <i>Luxilus chrysocephalus</i> |
| (I) Black Redhorse     | <i>Moxostoma duquensnei</i>   |
| (D) Pallid Shiner      | <i>Notropis amnis</i>         |
| (D) Slender Madtom     | <i>Noturus exilis</i>         |

### THREATENED

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|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| (D) Blue Sucker      | <i>Cycleptus elongatus</i>     |
| (D) Black Buffalo    | <i>Ictiobus niger</i>          |
| (D) Longear Sunfish  | <i>Lepomis megalotis</i>       |
| (H) Redfin Shiner    | <i>Lythrurus umbratilis</i>    |
| (D) Speckled Chub    | <i>Macrhybopsis aestivalis</i> |
| (H) River Redhorse   | <i>Moxostoma carinatum</i>     |
| (H) Greater Redhorse | <i>Moxostoma valenciennesi</i> |
| (H) Pugnose Shiner   | <i>Notropis anogenus</i>       |
| (A) Ozark Minnow     | <i>Notropis nubilus</i>        |
| (D) Gilt Darter      | <i>Percina evides</i>          |
| (H) Paddlefish       | <i>Polyodon spathula</i>       |

## INSECTS

### ENDANGERED

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|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| (H) Pecatonica River Mayfly           | <i>Acanthametropus pecatonica</i> |
| (I) Red-tailed Prairie Leafhopper     | <i>Aflexia rubranura</i>          |
| (H) Flat-headed Mayfly                | <i>Anepeorus simplex</i>          |
| (H) Swamp Metalmark                   | <i>Calephelis mutica</i>          |
| (H) Northern Blue Butterfly           | <i>Lycaeides idas</i>             |
| (H) Giant Carrion Beetle**            | <i>Nicrophorus americanus</i>     |
| (H) Powesheik Skipperling             | <i>Oarisma powesheik</i>          |
| (H) Extra-striped Snaketail Dragonfly | <i>Ophiogomphus anomalus</i>      |

	Saint Croix Snaketail	
(I)	Dragonfly	<i>Ophiogomphus susbehcha</i>
(H)	Silphium Borer Moth	<i>Papaipema silphii</i>
(H)	Phlox Moth	<i>Schinia indiana</i>
	Warpaint Emerald	
(I)	Dragonfly	<i>Somatochlora incurvata</i>
	Hine's Emerald	
(I)	Dragonfly**	<i>Somatochlora hineana</i>
(H)	Regal Fritillary	<i>Speyeria idalia</i>
(H)	Knobels Riffle Beetle	<i>Stenelmis knobeli</i>
(I)	Lake Huron Locust	<i>Trimerotropis huroniana</i>

#### THREATENED

	Spatterdock Darner	
(I)	Dragonfly	<i>Aeshna mutata</i>
(H)	Frosted Elfin	<i>Incisalia irus</i>
(I)	Prairie Leafhopper	<i>Polyamia dilata</i>
	Pygmy Snaketail	
(H)	Dragonfly	<i>Ophiogomphus howei</i>

#### SNAILS

##### ENDANGERED

	Midwest Pleistocene	
(H)	Vertigo	<i>Vertigo hubrichti</i>
(H)	Occult Vertigo	<i>Vertigo occulta</i>

##### THREATENED

(H)	Wing Snaggletooth	<i>Gastrocopta procera</i>
(H)	Cherrystone Drop	<i>Hendersonia occulta</i>

#### MUSSELS

##### ENDANGERED

(H)	Spectaclecase	<i>Cumberlandia monodonta</i>
(H)	Purple Wartyback	<i>Cyclonaias tuberculata</i>
(H)	Butterfly	<i>Ellipsaria lineolata</i>
(H)	Elephant-Ear	<i>Elliptio crassidens</i>
(H)	Snuffbox	<i>Epioblasma triquetra</i>
(H)	Ebonyshell	<i>Fusconaia ebena</i>
(C)	Higgins Eye**	<i>Lampsilis higginsii</i>
	Yellow/Slough	
(H)	Sandshell	<i>Lampsilis teres</i>
(H)	Bullhead	<i>Plethobasus cyphus</i>
(H)	Rainbow	<i>Villosa iris</i>
(H)	Winged Mapleleaf**	<i>Quadrula fragosa</i>

##### THREATENED

(H)	Slippershell mussel	<i>Alasmidonta viridis</i>
(H)	Rock-Pocketbook	<i>Arcidens confragosus</i>
(H)	Monkeyface	<i>Quadrula metanevra</i>
(H)	Wartyback	<i>Quadrula nodulata</i>
(H)	Salamander Mussel	<i>Simpsonaias ambigua</i>
(H)	Buckhorn	<i>Tritogonia verrucosa</i>
(H)	Ellipse	<i>Venustaconcha ellipsiformis</i>

#### PLANTS

##### ENDANGERED

(E)	Carolina Anemone	<i>Anemone caroliniana</i>
(D)	Hudson Bay Anemone	<i>Anemone multifida</i>
(D)	Lake Cress	<i>Armoracia lacustris</i>

(G)	Purple Milkweed	<i>Asclepias purpurascens</i>
(D)	Green Spleenwort	<i>Asplenium trichomanes-ramosum</i>
(D)	Alpine Milk Vetch	<i>Astragalus alpinus</i>
(E)	Prairie Plum	<i>Astragalus crassicaarpus</i>
(G)	Coopers Milk Vetch	<i>Astragalus neglectus</i>
(I)	Prairie Moonwort	<i>Botrychium campestre</i>
(E)	Moonwort	<i>Botrychium lunaria</i>
(G)	Goblin Fern	<i>Botrychium mormo</i>

	Floating Marsh	
(D)	Marigold	<i>Caltha natans</i>
(G)	Wild Hyacinth	<i>Camassia scilloides</i>
(E)	Crow-spur Sedge	<i>Carex crus-corvi</i>

	Smooth-sheathed Sedge	
(I)	Sedge	<i>Carex laevivaginata</i>
(D)	Hop-like Sedge	<i>Carex lupuliformis</i>
(D)	Intermediate Sedge	<i>Carex media</i>
(I)	Schweinitz's Sedge	<i>Carex schweinitzii</i>
(E)	Brook Grass	<i>Catabrosa aquatica</i>
(D)	Stoneroot	<i>Collinsonia canadensis</i>
(D)	Hemlock-parsley	<i>Conioselinum chinense</i>
(E)	Beak Grass	<i>Diarrhena americana</i>

	Lanceolate Whitlow-cress	
(D)	Whitlow-cress	<i>Draba cana</i>

(I)	Neat Spike-rush	<i>Eleocharis nitida</i>
(I)	Wolf Spike-rush	<i>Eleocharis wolfii</i>

	Angle-stemmed Spikerush	
(D)	Spikerush	<i>Eleocharis quadrangulata</i>

(D)	Harbinger-of-Spring	<i>Erigenia bulbosa</i>
(D)	Chestnut Sedge	<i>Fimbristylis puberula</i>

(E)	Umbrella Sedge	<i>Fuirena pumila</i>
(D)	Northern Commandra	<i>Geocaulon lividum</i>

(G)	Pale False Foxglove	<i>Agalinus skinneriana</i>
(H)	Bog Rush	<i>Juncus stygius</i>

(H)	Prairie Bush Clover*	<i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i>
(E)	Dotted Blazing Star	<i>Liatris punctata</i>

(D)	Auricled Twayblade	<i>Listera auriculata</i>
(I)	Fly Honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera involucrata</i>

(E)	Smith Melic Grass	<i>Melica smithii</i>
(D)	Large-leaved Sandwort	<i>Moehringia macrophylla</i>

	Small-flowered Grass-of-Parnassus	
(D)	Small-flowered Grass-of-Parnassus	<i>Parnassia parviflora</i>

(E)	Smooth Phlox	<i>Phlox glaberrima</i>
(E)	Butterwort	<i>Pinguicula vulgaris</i>

(D)	Heart-leaved Plantain	<i>Plantago cordata</i>
(H)	Eastern Prairie White-fringed Orchid*	<i>Platanthera leucophaea</i>

	Western Jacob's Ladder	
(I)	Western Jacob's Ladder	<i>Polemonium occidentale lacustre</i>

(D)	Pink Milkwort	<i>Polygala incarnata</i>
(G)	Spotted Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton pulcher</i>

(E)	Rough White Lettuce	<i>Prenanthes aspera</i>
(D)	Great White Lettuce	<i>Prenanthes crepidinea</i>

(D)	Pine-drops	<i>Pterospora andromedea</i>
(D)	Small Shinleaf	<i>Pyrola minor</i>

	Small Yellow Water		(E)	Linear-leaved Sundew	<i>Drosera linearis</i>
(E)	Crowfoot	<i>Ranunculus gmelinii</i>	(G)	Pale Purple Coneflower	<i>Echinacea pallida</i>
(I)	Lapland Buttercup	<i>Ranunculus lapponicus</i>	(E)	Beaked Spike Rush	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>
(D)	Lapland Rosebay	<i>Rhododendron lapponicum</i>			<i>Elymus lanceolatus ssp.psammophilus</i>
(D)	Wild Petunia	<i>Ruellia humilis</i>	(D)	Thickspike Wheatgrass	<i>Festuca occidentalis</i>
(D)	Sand Dune Willow	<i>Salix cordata</i>	(G)	Blue Ash	<i>Fraxinus quadrangulata</i>
(I)	Satiny Willow	<i>Salix pellita</i>	(I)	Yellowish Gentian	<i>Gentiana alba</i>
(I)	Hall's Bulrush	<i>Scirpus hallii</i>	(G)	Cliff Cudweed	<i>Gnaphalium saxicola</i>
(G)	Netted Nut-rush	<i>Scleria reticularis</i>		Round Fruited St.	
(G)	Small Skullcap	<i>Scutellaria parvula</i>	(D)	John's Wort	<i>Hypericum sphaerocarpum</i>
(E)	Selago-like Spikemoss	<i>Selaginella selaginoides</i>	(H)	Dwarf Lake Iris	<i>Iris lacustris</i>
(I)	Fire Pink	<i>Silene virginica</i>	(H)	Slender Bush Clover	<i>Lespedeza virginica</i>
	Blue-stemmed		(E)	Bladderpod	<i>Lesquerella ludoviciana</i>
(E)	Goldenrod	<i>Solidago caesia</i>		Broad-leaved	
	<b>THREATENED</b>		(D)	Twayblade	<i>Listera convallarioides</i>
(E)	Northern Monkshood*	<i>Aconitum noveboracense</i>	(E)	Brittle Prickly Pear	<i>Opuntia fragilis</i>
(G)	Muskroot	<i>Adoxa moschatellina</i>	(D)	Clustered Broomrape	<i>Orobanche fasciculata</i>
	Round Stemmed False			Marsh Grass-of-	
(G)	Foxglove	<i>Agalinus gattereri</i>	(E)	Parnassus	<i>Parnassia palustris</i>
(D)	Yellow Giant Hyssop	<i>Agastache nepetoides</i>	(E)	Wild Quinine	<i>Parthenium integrifolium</i>
	Small Round-leaved		(D)	Sweet Coltsfoot	<i>Petasites sagittatus</i>
(G)	Orchis	<i>Amerorchis rotundifolia</i>	(H)	Tuberclad Orchid	<i>Platanthera flava</i>
(I)	Prairie Indian Plantain	<i>Arnoglossum plantagineum</i>	(E)	Bog Bluegrass	<i>Poa paludigena</i>
(G)	Dwarf Milkweed	<i>Asclepias ovalifolia</i>	(D)	Braun's Holly Fern	<i>Polystichum braunii</i>
(E)	Woolly Milkweed	<i>Asclepias lanuginosa</i>	(D)	Prairie-parsley	<i>Polytaenia nuttallii</i>
(H)	Prairie Milkweed	<i>Asclepias sullivantii</i>	(G)	Algal-leaved Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton confervoides</i>
(G)	Pinnatifid Spleenwort	<i>Asplenium pinnatifidum</i>	(E)	Sheathed Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton vaginatus</i>
(G)	Forked Aster	<i>Aster furcatus</i>	(E)	Seaside Crowfoot	<i>Ranunculus cymbalaria</i>
(G)	Kitten Tails	<i>Besseyia bullii</i>	(E)	Bald Rush	<i>Rhynchospora scirpoides</i>
(I)	Sand Reed	<i>Calamovilfa longifolia</i>		Hawthorn-leaved	
(H)	Large Water Starwort	<i>Callitriche heterophylla</i>	(I)	Gooseberry	<i>Ribes oxycanthoides</i>
(H)	Calypso Orchid	<i>Calypso bulbosa</i>	(I)	Flat-leaved Willow	<i>Salix planifolia</i>
(D)	Carey's Sedge	<i>Carex careyana</i>	(I)	Tussock Bulrush	<i>Scirpus cespitosus</i>
(H)	Beautiful Sedge	<i>Carex concinna</i>	(I)	Plains Ragwort	<i>Senecio indecorus</i>
(H)	Coast Sedge	<i>Carex exilis</i>	(D)	Snowy Champion	<i>Silene nivea</i>
(G)	Handsome Sedge	<i>Carex formosa</i>			
(D)	Garbers Sedge	<i>Carex garberi</i>	(I)	Dune Goldenrod	<i>Solidago simplex var. gilmanii</i>
(E)	Lenticular Sedge	<i>Carex lenticularis</i>	(E)	Clustered Bur Reed	<i>Sparganium glomeratum</i>
(H)	Michaux's Sedge	<i>Carex michauxiana</i>	(D)	False Asphodel	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>
(H)	Drooping Sedge	<i>Carex prasina</i>	(E)	Snow Trillium	<i>Trillium nivale</i>
(D)	Prairie Thistle	<i>Cirsium hillii</i>	(E)	Spike Trisetum	<i>Trisetum spicatum</i>
(D)	Dune Thistle*	<i>Cirsium pitcheri</i>	(E)	Marsh Valerian	<i>Valeriana sitchensis</i>
	Rams-head Ladys-				
(D)	slipper	<i>Cypripedium arietinum</i>			
(D)	White Ladys-slipper	<i>Cypripedium candidum</i>			
(D)	English Sundew	<i>Drosera anglica</i>			

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## A Reminder

The Department of Natural Resources reminds you that the Endangered and Threatened Species list is only a first step toward identifying a problem that exists. It doesn't tell what the problem is or what to do about it. Moreover, it does not guarantee survival of the plants and animals listed. The real work follows listing. The Bureau of Endangered Resources formulates management plans to aid the recovery of listed species. DNR resource managers put the plans to work in the field, while conservation wardens enforce laws protecting endangered resources.

## A Request

The Bureau of Endangered Resources welcomes observations of endangered and threatened plants and animals. We are also interested in observations of species of special concern (species about which some problem of abundance or distribution is suspected but not yet proven). If you would like to obtain reporting forms for submitting observations and/or a list of special concern species, please contact us at the address or phone number in the box at right.

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Henslow's Sparrow



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