

Inland Fisheries & Wildlife

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State List of Endangered & Threatened Species

Endangered and Threatened inland fish and wildlife species in Maine are listed either under [Maine's Endangered Species Act \[MESA\]](#), the [U.S. Endangered Species Act \[ESA\]](#), or both. Species listed under MESA receive state protection; species listed under ESA receive federal protection; and species listed under both receive state and federal protection.

The Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife holds management responsibility for inland fish and wildlife listed under MESA, and shares responsibility with the [U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service \[USFWS\]](#) for inland fish and wildlife listed under ESA.

Endangered and Threatened marine species are listed under [Maine's Marine Endangered Species Act](#) or ESA. The [Maine Department of Marine Resources \[MDMR\]](#) has responsibility for these species.

The Maine Endangered Species Act applies only to animals - plants are not included in the legislation. The [Maine Natural Areas Program](#) maintains an "official" list of rare and endangered plants in Maine.

There are currently 22 inland fish and wildlife species listed as Endangered and 23 listed as Threatened under Maine's Endangered Species Act [MESA], some of which are also listed under the U.S. Endangered Species Act [ESA].

Information about the status, life history, and conservation of each listed species is available in a fact sheet linked to the species name in the following lists. Fact sheets are available in PDF format.

Species listed through the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife under Title 12 § 12803. Marine species listed separately through the Maine Department of Marine Resources under Title 12 § 6975, and federally listed species not listed under Maine's Endangered Species Act, are not included in this list.

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Maine's Endangered Species

October 15, 2015

Birds

- [American Pipit \(PDF\)](#) (*Anthus rubescens*) (breeding population only) ([species plan](#))
- Black-crowned Night Heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*)
- [Black Tern \(PDF\)](#) (*Chlidonias niger*)
- [Golden Eagle \(PDF\)](#) (*Aquila chrysaetos*) ([species plan](#))
- [Grasshopper Sparrow \(PDF\)](#) (*Ammodramus savannarum*)
- Least Bittern (*Ixobrychus exilis*)
- [Least Tern \(PDF\)](#) (*Sterna antillarum*) ([species plan](#))
- [Peregrine Falcon \(PDF\)](#) (*Falco peregrinus*) (breeding population only)
- [Piping Plover \(PDF\)](#) (*Charadrius melodus*) ([species plan](#))**
- [Roseate Tern \(PDF\)](#) (*Sterna dougallii*) ([species plan](#))*
- [Sedge Wren \(PDF\)](#) (*Cistothorus platensis*)

Fish

- Redfin Pickerel (*Esox americanus americanus*)

Invertebrates

Beetles

- Cobblestone Tiger Beetle (*Cicindela marginipennis*)

Butterflies and Skippers

- [Edwards' Hairstreak \(PDF\)](#) (*Satyrrium edwardsii*)
- Frigga Fritillary (*Boloria frigga*)
- [Hessel's Hairstreak \(PDF\)](#) (*Callophrys hesseli*)
- Juniper Hairstreak (*Callophrys gryneus*)
- [Katahdin Arctic \(PDF\)](#) (*Oenis polixenes katahdin*)

Dragonflies and Damselflies

- Rapids Clubtail (*Gomphus quadricolor*)

Snails

- Six-whorl Vertigo (*Vertigo morsei*)

Mammals

- Little Brown Bat (*Myotis lucifugus*)
- New England Cottontail (*Sylvilagus transitionalis*) ([species plan](#))
- Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*)**

Reptiles

Snakes

- [Black Racer \(PDF\)](#) (*Coluber constrictor*) ([species plan](#))

Turtles

- [Blanding's Turtle \(PDF\)](#) (*Emydoidea blandingii*) ([species plan](#))
- [Box Turtle \(PDF\)](#) (*Terrapene carolina*) ([species plan](#))

Maine's Threatened Species

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Birds

- [Arctic Tern \(PDF\)](#) (*Sterna paradisaea*) ([species plan](#))
- [Atlantic Puffin \(PDF\)](#) (*Fratercula arctica*) ([species plan](#))
- Barrow's Goldeneye (*Bucephala islandica*) ([species plan](#))
- Common Gallinule (*Gallinula chloropus*)
- Great Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax carbo*) (Breeding population only)
- [Harlequin Duck \(PDF\)](#) (*Histrionicus histrionicus*) ([species plan](#))
- [Razorbill \(PDF\)](#) (*Alca torda*) ([species plan](#))
- Short-eared Owl (*Asio flammeus*) (Breeding population only)
- [Upland Sandpiper \(PDF\)](#) (*Bartramia longicauda*) ([species plan](#))`

Fish

- [Swamp Darter \(PDF\)](#) (*Etheostoma fusiforme*)

Invertebrates

Butterflies and Skippers

- [Clayton's Copper \(PDF\)](#) (*Lycaena dorcas claytoni*) ([species plan](#))
- Purple Lesser Fritillary (*Boloria chariclea grandis*)
- Sleepy Duskywing (*Erynnis brizo*)

Dragonflies and Damselflies

- Boreal Snaketail (*Ophiogomphus colubrinus*)
- [Ringed Boghaunter \(PDF\)](#) (*Williamsonia lintneri*)

Freshwater Mussels

- [Brook Floater \(PDF\)](#) (*Alasmodonta varicosa*)
- [Tidewater Mucket \(PDF\)](#) (*Leptodea ochracea*)
- [Yellow Lampmussel \(PDF\)](#) (*Lampsilis cariosa*)

Mayflies

- [Roaring Brook Mayfly \(PDF\)](#) (*Epeorus frisoni*)
- Tomah Mayfly (*Siphonisca aerodromia*)

Moths

- [Pine Barrens Zanclognatha \(PDF\)](#) (*Zanclognatha martha*)
- [Twilight Moth \(PDF\)](#) (*Lycia rachelae*)

Mammals

- Eastern Small-footed Bat (*Myotis leibii*)
- [Northern Bog Lemming \(PDF\)](#) (*Synaptomys borealis*)

Reptiles

- [Spotted Turtle \(PDF\)](#) (*Clemmys guttata*) ([species plan](#))

* **Federally listed as Endangered**

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