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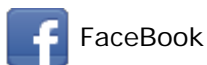
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## Endangered Species in Minnesota

### County Distribution of Federally-Listed Threatened, Endangered, Proposed, and Candidate Species

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#### Bald Eagle

Bald eagles are no longer protected under the federal Endangered Species Act and Section 7 consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is no longer necessary. However, the bald eagle remains protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.

[Information about Bald Eagles](#)

[Information about Eagle Permits and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act](#)

#### Gray Wolf

The [Gray Wolf](#) population that includes Minnesota was removed from the list of threatened and endangered species and is no longer protected under the Endangered Species Act.

County	Species	Status	Habitat
Aitkin	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
Anoka	No listed species present		
Becker	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
Beltrami	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest

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	<i>canadensis</i> )		
<b>Benton</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Big Stone</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Blue Earth</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Brown</b>	<a href="#">Prairie bush-clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Carlton</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
<b>Carver</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Cass</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
<b>Chippewa</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Chisago</b>	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearl mussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	St. Croix River
	<a href="#">Spectaclecase</a> ( <i>Cumberlandia monodonta</i> )	Proposed as Endangered	St. Croix River and Rush Creek
	<a href="#">Snuffbox</a> ( <i>Epioblasma triquetra</i> )	Endangered	Small to medium-sized creeks and some larger rivers,

			in areas with a swift current
	<a href="#">Winged mapleleaf</a> ( <i>Quadrula fragosa</i> )	Endangered	St. Croix River
<b>Clay</b>	<a href="#">Sprague's pipit</a> ( <i>Anthus spragueii</i> )	Candidate	Large (>350 acre) patches of grassland - prefer native grassland, but also use non-native planted grasslands.
	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadow
<b>Clearwater</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
<b>Cook</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
	Canada lynx ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Critical Habitat	<a href="#">Map of critical habitat in Minnesota</a>
<b>Cottonwood</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
	<a href="#">Prairie bush</a>	Threatened	Gravelly soil

	<a href="#">clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )		in dry to mesic prairies
<b>Crow Wing</b>	No species listed		
<b>Dakota</b>	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Dodge</b>	<a href="#">Dwarf trout lily</a> ( <i>Erythronium propullans</i> )	Endangered	North facing slopes and floodplains in deciduous forests
	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Douglas</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Faribault</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Fillmore</b>	<a href="#">Leedy's roseroot</a> ( <i>Rhodiola integrifolia</i> ssp. <i>leedyi</i> )	Threatened	Cool, wet groundwater-fed limestone cliffs
<b>Freeborn</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Goodhue</b>	<a href="#">Dwarf trout lily</a> ( <i>Erythronium propullans</i> )	Endangered	North facing slopes and floodplains in deciduous forests
	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Prairie bush</a>	Threatened	Native prairie

	<a href="#">clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )		on well-drained soils
<b>Grant</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Hennepin</b>	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
<b>Houston</b>	<a href="#">Eastern massasauga</a> ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> )	Candidate	Floodplain wetlands and nearby upland areas along the Mississippi River and Tributaries
	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
<b>Hubbard</b>	No species listed		
<b>Isanti</b>	No species listed		
<b>Itasca</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
<b>Jackson</b>	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Kanabec</b>	No species listed		
<b>Kandiyohi</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Kittson</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a>	Candidate	Native Prairie

	<i>(Oarisma poweshiek)</i>		
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> <i>(Platanthera praeclara)</i>	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadows
<b>Koochiching</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> <i>(Lynx canadensis)</i>	Threatened	Northern forest
	Canada lynx <i>(Lynx canadensis)</i>	Critical Habitat	<a href="#">Map of lynx critical habitat in Minnesota</a>
<b>Lac Qui Parle</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> <i>(Hesperia dacotae)</i>	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> <i>(Oarisma poweshiek)</i>	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Lake</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> <i>(Lynx canadensis)</i>	Threatened	Northern forest
	Canada lynx <i>(Lynx canadensis)</i>	Critical Habitat	<a href="#">Map of lynx critical habitat in Minnesota</a>
<b>Lake of the Woods</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> <i>(Lynx canadensis)</i>	Threatened	Northern forest
	<a href="#">Piping plover</a> <i>(Charadrius melodus)</i> Northern Great Plains Breeding Population	Threatened; and Critical Habitat	Sandy beaches, islands
<b>Le Sueur</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Lincoln</b>	<a href="#">Topeka shiner</a> <i>(Notropis topeka)</i>	Endangered	Prairie rivers and streams

	Topeka shiner ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Critical Habitat	
	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadow
<b>Lyon</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Mahnomen</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Marshall</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
<b>Martin</b>	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>McLeod</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Meeker</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Mille Lacs</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Morrison</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Mower</b>	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
	<a href="#">Western</a>	Threatened	Wet prairies

	<a href="#">prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )		and sedge meadows
<b>Murray</b>	<a href="#">Topeka shiner</a> ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Endangered	Prairie rivers and streams
	Topeka shiner ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Critical Habitat	
	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Nicollet</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Nobles</b>	<a href="#">Topeka shiner</a> ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Endangered	Prairie rivers and streams
	Topeka shiner ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Critical Habitat	
	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadow
<b>Norman</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
	<a href="#">Western</a>	Threatened	Wet prairies



	<a href="#">prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )		and sedge meadows
<b>Olmsted</b>	<a href="#">Leedy's roseroot</a> ( <i>Rhodiola integrifolia</i> ssp. <i>leedyi</i> )	Threatened	Cool, wet groundwater-fed limestone cliffs
	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Otter Tail</b>	No species listed		
<b>Pennington</b>	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadows
<b>Pine</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
	<a href="#">Spectaclecase</a> ( <i>Cumberlandia monodonta</i> )	Proposed as Endangered	St. Croix River
<b>Pipestone</b>	<a href="#">Topeka shiner</a> ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Endangered	Prairie rivers and streams
	Topeka shiner ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Critical Habitat	
	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera</i>	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadows

	<i>praeclara</i> )		
<b>Polk</b>	<a href="#">Sprague's pipit</a> ( <i>Anthus spragueii</i> )	Candidate	Large (>350 acre) patches of grassland - prefer native grassland, but also use non-native planted grasslands.
	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadows
<b>Pope</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Ramsey</b>	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Winged mapleleaf</a> ( <i>Quadrula fragosa</i> )	Endangered	St. Croix River
<b>Red Lake</b>	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadow
<b>Redwood</b>	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils

<b>Renville</b>	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Rice</b>	<a href="#">Dwarf trout lily</a> ( <i>Erythronium propullans</i> )	Endangered	North facing slopes and floodplains in deciduous forest
	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
<b>Rock</b>	<a href="#">Topeka shiner</a> ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Endangered	Prairie rivers and streams
	Topeka shiner ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Critical Habitat	
	<a href="#">Prairie bush clover</a> ( <i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i> )	Threatened	Native prairie on well-drained soils
	<a href="#">Western prairie fringed orchid</a> ( <i>Platanthera praeclara</i> )	Threatened	Wet prairies and sedge meadows
<b>Roseau</b>	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
	<a href="#">Sprague's pipit</a> ( <i>Anthus spragueii</i> )	Candidate	Large (>350 acre) patches of grassland - prefer native grassland, but also use non-native planted grasslands.
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie

<b>St. Louis</b>	<a href="#">Piping Plover</a> ( <i>Charadrius melodus</i> ) Great Lakes Breeding Population	Endangered and Critical Habitat Designated in this county	Sandy beaches, islands
	<a href="#">Canada lynx</a> ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Threatened	Northern forest
	Canada lynx ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Critical Habitat	<a href="#">Map of lynx critical habitat in Minnesota</a>
<b>Scott</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Sherburne</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Sibley</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Stearns</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Steele</b>	<a href="#">Dwarf trout lily</a> ( <i>Erythronium propullans</i> )	Endangered	North facing slopes and floodplains in deciduous forests
<b>Stevens</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Swift</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Todd</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Traverse</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma</i>	Candidate	Native Prairie

	<i>poweshiek</i> )		
<b>Wabasha</b>	<a href="#">Eastern massasauga</a> ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> )	Candidate	Floodplain wetlands and nearby upland areas along the Mississippi River and Tributaries
	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Sheepnose</a> ( <i>Plethobasus cyphus</i> )	Proposed as Endangered	Mississippi River
<b>Wadena</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Waseca</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Washington</b>	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Snuffbox</a> ( <i>Epioblasma triquetra</i> )	Endangered	Small to medium-sized creeks and some larger rivers, in areas with a swift current
	<a href="#">Spectaclecase</a> ( <i>Cumberlandia monodonta</i> )	Proposed as Endangered	St. Croix River
	<a href="#">Winged mapleleaf</a> ( <i>Quadrula fragosa</i> )	Endangered	St. Croix River
<b>Watonwan</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Wilkin</b>	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie
<b>Winona</b>	<a href="#">Eastern</a>	Candidate	Floodplain

	<a href="#">massasauga</a> ( <i>Sistrurus catenatus</i> )		wetlands and nearby upland areas along the Mississippi River and Tributaries
	<a href="#">Higgins eye pearlymussel</a> ( <i>Lampsilis higginsii</i> )	Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Sheepnose</a> ( <i>Plethobasus cyphus</i> )	Proposed as Endangered	Mississippi River
	<a href="#">Karner blue butterfly</a> ( <i>Lycaeides melissa samuelis</i> )	Endangered	Pine barrens and oak savannas on sandy soils and containing wild lupines ( <i>Lupinus perennis</i> ), the only known food plant of larvae.
<b>Wright</b>	No listed species present		
<b>Yellow Medicine</b>	<a href="#">Dakota skipper</a> ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Candidate	Native prairie habitat
	* <a href="#">Poweshiek skipperling</a> ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Candidate	Native Prairie

\*Poweshiek Skipperling - This list includes counties where Poweshiek skipperling has been confirmed within the past 25 years (1986 or later). Due to the sharp declines in the last several years, the list may include counties in which the species no longer occurs. Nevertheless, we recommend that agencies contact the [Twin Cities Ecological Services Field Office](#) if undertaking or planning projects that may affect Poweshiek skipperling habitat in these counties.

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