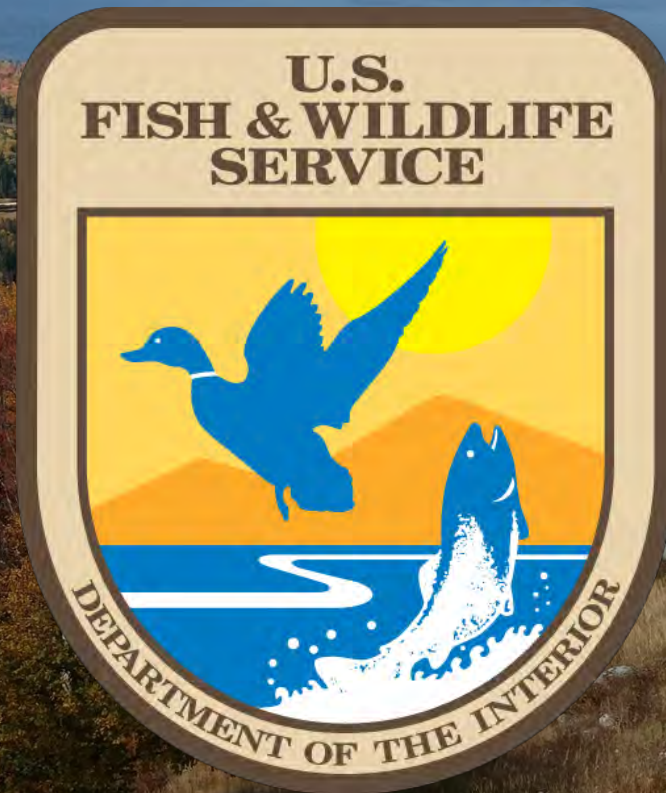


# Federal Endangered Species Act Listing Updates

March 2023



# Atlantic Salmon (*Salmo salar*)

- 2019 – Recovery plan finalized
- November 22, 2020 – 5-year review finalized
- Shared jurisdiction with NOAA, split at the high-tide line



Photo: Edward Peter Steenstra, USFWS



## Canada Lynx (*Lynx canadensis*)

- Currently listed as threatened with critical habitat
- Currently working on a Species Status Assessment and then work will begin on a recovery plan



Photo: USFWS



# Northern Long-eared Bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*)

- January 2023 – Listing officially changed to endangered from threatened
- Previous 4(d) rule is no longer applicable
- Interim process in place until April 2024
  - Process can be accessed through IPaC (the Service's Information for Planning and Consultation website)



Photo: NPS, Steven Thomas



## Tricolored Bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*)

- Petitioned to list on June 14, 2016; determined petitioned action may be warranted on December 20, 2017
- September 13, 2022 - proposed rule to list as endangered; determined that designating critical habitat is not prudent
- Final listing decision expected by September 30, 2023



Photo: USFWS



## Little Brown Bat (*Myotis lucifugus*)

- Not currently listed
- Discretionary status review underway with preparation of a Species Status Assessment
- Listing decision currently scheduled by September 30, 2023



Photo: USFWS



# Northern Bog Lemming (*Synaptomys borealis*)

- Received petition to list on September 29, 2014; September 18, 2015, determined the petitioned action may be warranted.
- Working to finalize a Species Status Assessment.
- Final listing determination due by September 30, 2023.



Photo: Juan José Ramos



# Monarch (*Danaus plexippus*)

- December 17, 2020 – Listing decision – Listing is warranted but precluded by higher priority listing actions
- **Candidate** status, **NO** protections under ESA
- Final listing determination due by September 30, 2024
- 2020 nationwide monarch CCAA/CAA for energy and transportation lands to encourage voluntary conservation



Photo: Liam O'Brien





## Rusty Patched Bumble Bee (*Bombus affinis*)

- Currently listed as endangered
- Last known occurrence in Maine was observed in 2009



Photo: Susan Day; UW-Madison Arboretum



## New England Cottontail (*Sylvilagus transitionalis*)

- The USFWS decided that as a result of conservation actions, the species does not meet the definition of threatened or endangered
- Several areas in Maine where populations occur including
  - Scarborough Marsh
  - Rachael Carson Wildlife Refuge
  - Several State Parks
  - Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve



Photo: USFWS



## E. Prairie Fringed Orchid (*Platanthera leucophaea*)

- Currently listed as threatened
- In Maine, known from only one population at Crystal Bog
  - Eastern central Maine, near Island Falls
- December 15, 2020 – 5-year review completed



Photo: Joshua Mayer



# Furbish's Lousewort (*Pedicularis furbishiae*)

- Currently listed as endangered
- January 15, 2021 – Proposed for reclassification to threatened
- Final reclassification rule expected some time in Fiscal Year 2023



Photo: Meagan Racey, USFWS



## Small Whorled Pogonia (*Isotria medeoloides*)

- Currently listed as threatened
- Southern Maine
- 2022 – 5-year review
- November 13, 1992 – Recovery plan published



Photo: USFWS



# Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*)

- Currently listed as threatened
- 2022 – 5-year review
- March 16, 2016 – Draft recovery plan published
- The last few years have been the most productive recorded on Maine's beaches



Photo: Kaiti Titherington/USFWS



## Red Knot (*Calidris canutus rufa*)

- Currently listed as threatened
- July 15, 2021 – Proposed critical habitat; none proposed in Maine
- Still waiting on final rule to designate critical habitat



Photo: Gregory Breese, USFWS



## Roseate tern (*Sterna dougalii dougallii*)

- Currently listed as endangered in the northeast
- August 24, 2020 – 5-year review completed
- Currently working on an updated recovery plan
- Petitioned to list critical habitat – no timetable set



Photo: USFWS





## Saltmarsh Sparrow (*Ammodramus caudacutus*)

- Discretionary status review by USFWS
- Working on Species Status Assessment
- September 30, 2024 - listing decision is due



Photo: Dominic Sherony



# Blandings Turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*)

- Petitioned to list on July 11, 2012; made a positive 90-day finding on July 1, 2015
- Species Status Assessment under development
- Final listing decision due by September 30, 2024



Photo: Andrew Cannizzaro

# Spotted Turtle (*Clemmys guttata*)

- Petitioned to list on July 11, 2012; made a positive 90-day finding on July 1, 2015
- Finalizing Species Status Assessment in 2023
- Final listing decision due by September 30, 2024



Photo: Tom Preney



# Wood Turtle (*Glyptemys insculpta*)

- Petitioned to list on July 11, 2012; made a positive 90-day finding on September 18, 2015
- Finalizing Species Status Assessment 2023
- Final listing decision due by September 30, 2024



Photo: Diana-Terry Hibbitts



Thanks for listening!

Any Questions?

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ESA Project Review and Consultation Guide:

<https://www.fws.gov/office/maine-ecological-services/endorsement-species-act-project-review-and-consultation>



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