



**Rare, Threatened, & Endangered Species & Natural Communities
Tracked by the Louisiana Natural Heritage Program
Plaquemines Parish - April 2008**

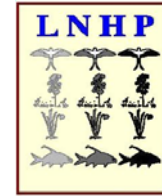


PARISH: Plaquemines

Scientific Name	Common Name	State Rank	Global Rank	State Status	Federal Status
<i>Accipiter cooperii</i>	Cooper's Hawk	S2B,S3N	G5		
<i>Asio flammeus</i>	Short-eared Owl	S2S3N	G5		
<i>Bottomland hardwood forest</i>	Bottomland Hardwood Forest	S4	G4G5		
<i>Brackish marsh</i>	Brackish Marsh	S3S4	G4?		
<i>Canna flaccida</i>	Golden Canna	S4?	G4?		
<i>Cenchrus myosuroides</i>	Big Sandbur	S1	G4		
<i>Cenchrus tribuloides</i>	Dune Sandbur	S2	G5		
<i>Chamaesyce bombensis</i>	Sand Dune Spurge	S1	G4G5		
<i>Charadrius alexandrinus</i>	Snowy Plover	S1B,S2N	G4		PS:LT
<i>Charadrius melodus</i>	Piping Plover	S2N	G3	Threatened/Endangered	LT,LE
<i>Charadrius wilsonia</i>	Wilson's Plover	S1S3B,S3N	G5		
<i>Coastal dune grassland</i>	Coastal Dune Grassland	S1S2	G2G3		
<i>Coastal live oak-hackberry forest</i>	Coastal Live Oak-hackberry Forest	S1S2	G2		
<i>Coastal mangrove-marsh shrubland</i>	Coastal Mangrove-marsh Shrubland	S3	G2?		
<i>Egretta rufescens</i>	Reddish Egret	S2B,S2N	G4		
<i>Eleocharis fallax</i>	Creeping Spike-rush	S1?	G4G5		
<i>Eleocharis geniculata</i>	Canada Spikesedge	S1?	G5		
<i>Eriochloa punctata</i>	Punctate Cupgrass	S2	G5		
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine Falcon	S2N	G4	Threatened/Endangered	PS:LE
<i>Freshwater marsh</i>	Freshwater Marsh	S1S2	G3G4		
<i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i>	Gull-billed Tern	S2B,S2S3N	G5		
<i>Haematopus palliatus</i>	American Oystercatcher	S1	G5		
<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	Bald Eagle	S2N,S3B	G5	Endangered	Delisted
<i>Hydroprogne caspia</i>	Caspian Tern	S1S2B,S3N	G5		
<i>Intermediate marsh</i>	Intermediate Marsh	S3S4	G4?		
<i>Live oak forest</i>	Live Oak Forest	S1S2	G2		
<i>Onychoprion fuscatus</i>	Sooty Tern	S1B	G5		



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<i>Ophisaurus ventralis</i>	Eastern Glass Lizard	S3	G5		
<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>	Osprey	S2B,S3N	G5		
<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>	Brown Pelican	S2	G4	Endangered	PS:LE
<i>Platalea ajaja</i>	Roseate Spoonbill	S3	G5		
<i>Sabatia arenicola</i>	Sand Rose-gentian	S1	G3G5		
<i>Salt marsh</i>	Salt Marsh	S3S4	G5		
<i>Scaevola plumieri</i>	Scaevola	SH	G5		
<i>Scirpus deltarum</i>	delta bulrush	S1?	G3G4		
<i>Trichechus manatus</i>	Manatee	SZN	G2	Endangered	LE
<i>Triglochin striata</i>	Arrow-grass	S1	G5		
<i>Uniola paniculata</i>	Sea Oats	S2	G5		
<i>Waterbird Nesting Colony</i>	Waterbird Nesting Colony	SNR	GNR		

EXPLANATION OF RANKING CATEGORIES EMPLOYED BY NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAMS NATIONWIDE

Each element is assigned a single global rank as well as a state rank for each state in which it occurs. Global ranking is done under the guidance of NatureServe, Arlington, VA. State ranks are assigned by each state's Natural Heritage Program, thus a rank for a particular element may vary considerably from state to state. Federal ranks are designated by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service under the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973. **DISCLAIMER:** This document is not an official copy of the laws in effect and should not be utilized or relied upon as such. For this reason, the accuracy of the information contained within this document cannot be guaranteed and the reader is cautioned that it is his/her responsibility to be apprised of the laws in effect at any given time. These laws include those contained within the Louisiana Revised Statutes, particularly Title 56, the official regulations of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, federal laws, and any local or parish ordinances.

FEDERAL RANKS (USES A FIELD):

LE = Listed Endangered

LT = Listed Threatened

PE = Proposed endangered

PT = Proposed Threatened

C = Candidate

PDL = Proposed for delisting

E (S/A) or T (S/A) = Listed endangered or threatened because of similarity of appearance

XE = Essential experimental population

XN = Nonessential experimental population

No Rank = Usually indicates that the taxon does not have any federal status. However, because of potential lag time between publication in the Federal Register and entry in the central databases and state databases, some taxa may have a status which does not yet appear.

(Rank, Rank) = Combination values in parenthesis = The taxon itself is not named in the Federal Register as having U.S. ESA status; however, all of its infraspecific taxa (worldwide) do have official status. The statuses shown in parentheses indicate the statuses that apply to infraspecific taxa or populations within this taxon. *THE SPECIES IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE A COMBINATION STATUS IN LOUISIANA*

(PS) = partial status = Status in only a portion of the species' range. Typically indicated in a "full" species record where an infraspecific taxon or population has U.S. ESA status, but the entire species does not. *THE SPECIES DOES NOT HAVE A STATUS IN LOUISIANA*

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GLOBAL ELEMENT RANKS:

G1 = critically imperiled globally because of extreme rarity (5 or fewer known extant populations) or because of some factor(s) making it especially vulnerable to extinction

G2 = imperiled globally because of rarity (6 to 20 known extant populations) or because of some factor(s) making it very vulnerable to extinction throughout its range

G3 = either very rare and local throughout its range or found locally (even abundantly at some of its locations) in a restricted range (e.g., a single physiographic region) or because of other factors making it vulnerable to extinction throughout its range (21 to 100 known extant populations)

G4 = apparently secure globally, though it may be quite rare in parts of its range, especially at the periphery (100 to 1000 known extant populations)

G5 = demonstrably secure globally, although it may be quite rare in parts of its range, especially at the periphery (1000+ known extant populations)

GH = of historical occurrence throughout its range; i.e., formerly part of the established biota, with the possibility that it may be rediscovered (e.g., Bachman's Warbler)

GU = possibly in peril range-wide, but status uncertain; need more information

G? = rank uncertain. Or a range (e.g., G3G5) delineates the limits of uncertainty

GQ = uncertain taxonomic status

GX = believed to be extinct throughout its range (e.g., Passenger Pigeon) with virtually no likelihood that it will be rediscovered

T = subspecies or variety rank (e.g., G5T4 applies to a subspecies with a global species rank of G5, but with a subspecies rank of G4)

STATE ELEMENT RANKS:

S1 = critically imperiled in Louisiana because of extreme rarity (5 or fewer known extant populations) or because of some factor(s) making it especially vulnerable to extirpation

S2 = imperiled in Louisiana because of rarity (6 to 20 known extant populations) or because of some factor(s) making it very vulnerable to extirpation

S3 = rare and local throughout the state or found locally (even abundantly at some of its locations) in a restricted region of the state, or because of other factors making it vulnerable to extirpation (21 to 100 known extant populations)

S4 = apparently secure in Louisiana with many occurrences (100 to 1000 known extant populations)

S5 = demonstrably secure in Louisiana (1000+ known extant populations)

(B or N may be used as qualifier of numeric ranks and indicating whether the occurrence is breeding or nonbreeding)

SA = accidental in Louisiana, including species (usually birds or butterflies) recorded once or twice or only at great intervals hundreds or even thousands of miles outside their usual range

SH = of historical occurrence in Louisiana, but no recent records verified within the last 20 years; formerly part of the established biota, possibly still persisting

SR = reported from Louisiana, but without conclusive evidence to accept or reject the report

SU = possibly in peril in Louisiana, but status uncertain; need more information

SX = believed to be extirpated from Louisiana

SZ = transient species in which no specific consistent area of occurrence is identifiable

STATE PROTECTION STATUS:

State status are contained in Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes as well as relevant rules and regulations adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to implement additional restrictions in emergency situations in order to protect fish and wildlife resources.

Endangered = Taking or harassment of these species is a violation of state and federal laws.

Threatened = Taking or harassment of these species is a violation of state and federal laws.

Threatened/Endangered = Taking or harassment of these species is a violation of state and federal laws.

Prohibited = Possession of these species is prohibited. No legal harvest or possession.

Restricted Harvest = There are restrictions regarding the taking and possession of these species