



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Status Reviews of 47 Species in California, Nevada, and Oregon

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of reviews; request for information.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, are initiating 5-year status reviews of 47 species in California, Nevada, and Oregon under the Endangered Species Act. A 5-year review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any new information on these species that has become available since the last reviews.

DATES: To ensure consideration in our reviews, we are requesting submission of new information no later than **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*]**. However, we will continue to accept new information about any species at any time.

ADDRESSES: For how and where to send information and comments, see **Request for New Information**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information, contact Ernest Chen, by email at ernest_chen@fws.gov or via phone at 530-320-1300. For whom to contact for species-specific information, see **Request for New Information**.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Why Do We Conduct 5-Year Reviews?

Under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we maintain lists of endangered and threatened wildlife and plant species (referred to as the List) in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.11 (for wildlife) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act requires us to review each listed species' status at least once every 5 years. For additional information about 5-year reviews, go to <https://www.fws.gov/project/five-year-status-reviews>.

What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?

A 5-year review considers all new information available at the time of the review. In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that have become available since the listing determination or most recent status review, such as:

- A. Species biology, including but not limited to population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;
- B. Habitat conditions, including but not limited to amount, distribution, and suitability;
- C. Conservation measures that have been implemented to benefit the species;
- D. Threat status and trends in relation to the five listing factors (as defined in section 4(a)(1) of the Act); and
- E. Other new information, data, or corrections, including but not limited to taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the List, and improved analytical methods.

Any new information will be considered during the 5-year review and will also be useful in evaluating the ongoing recovery programs for the species.

Which Species Are Under Review?

This notice announces our active review of the species listed in the table below.

Plants					
Common name	Scientific name	Status	States where species is known to occur	Final Listing rule (<i>Federal Register</i> citation and publication date)	Lead Fish and Wildlife Office
Lily, western	<i>Lilium occidentale</i>	E	CA and OR	59 FR 42171; 8/17/1994	Arcata
Penny-cress, Kneeland Prairie	<i>Thlaspi californicum</i>	E	CA	65 FR 6332; 2/9/2000	Arcata
Spineflower, Howell's	<i>Chorizanthe howellii</i>	E	CA	57 FR 27848; 6/22/1992	Arcata
Bluegrass, San Bernardino	<i>Poa atropurpurea</i>	E	CA	63 FR 49006; 10/14/1998	Carlsbad
Dune grass, Eureka	<i>Swallenia alexandrae</i>	T	CA	43 FR 17910; 4/26/1978	Carlsbad
Milk-vetch, Peirson's	<i>Astragalus magdalenae</i> var. <i>peirsonii</i>	T	CA	63 FR 53596; 10/6/1998	Carlsbad
Rockcress, Santa Cruz Island	<i>Sibara filifolia</i>	E	CA	62 FR 42692; 8/8/1997	Carlsbad
Milk-vetch, Applegate's	<i>Astragalus applegatei</i>	E	OR	58 FR 40547; 7/28/1993	Klamath Falls
Bedstraw, El Dorado	<i>Galium californicum</i> ssp. <i>sierrae</i>	E	CA	61 FR 54346; 10/18/1996	Sacramento
Bird's-beak, Pennell's	<i>Cordylanthus tenuis</i> ssp. <i>capillaris</i>	E	CA	60 FR 6671; 2/3/1995	Sacramento
Butterweed, Layne's	<i>Senecio layneae</i>	T	CA	61 FR 54346; 10/18/1996	Sacramento
Ceanothus, Pine Hill	<i>Ceanothus roderickii</i>	E	CA	61 FR 54346; 10/18/1996	Sacramento
Checker-mallow, Kenwood Marsh	<i>Sidalcea oregana</i> ssp. <i>valida</i>	E	CA	62 FR 54791; 10/22/1997	Sacramento

Clarkia, Vine Hill	<i>Clarkia imbricata</i>	E	CA	62 FR 54791; 10/22/1997	Sacramento
Flannelbush, Pine Hill	<i>Fremontodendron californicum</i> ssp. <i>decumbens</i>	E	CA	61 FR 54346; 10/18/1996	Sacramento
Goldfields, Burke's	<i>Lasthenia burkei</i>	E	CA	56 FR 61173; 12/2/1991	Sacramento
Larkspur, Baker's	<i>Delphinium bakeri</i>	E	CA	65 FR 4156; 1/26/2000	Sacramento
Larkspur, yellow	<i>Delphinium luteum</i>	E	CA	65 FR 4156; 1/26/2000	Sacramento
Lily, Pitkin Marsh	<i>Lilium pardalinum</i> ssp. <i>pitkinense</i>	E	CA	62 FR 54791; 10/22/1997	Sacramento
Meadowfoam, Sebastopol	<i>Limnanthes vinculans</i>	E	CA	56 FR 61173; 12/2/1991	Sacramento
Milk-vetch, Clara Hunt's	<i>Astragalus clarianus</i>	E	CA	62 FR 54791; 10/22/1997	Sacramento
Morning-glory, Stebbins'	<i>Calystegia stebbinsii</i>	E	CA	61 FR 54346; 10/18/1996	Sacramento
Sunshine, Sonoma	<i>Blennosperma bakeri</i>	E	CA	56 FR 61173; 12/2/1991	Sacramento
Lupine, Nipomo Mesa	<i>Lupinus nipomensis</i>	E	CA	65 FR 14888; 3/20/2000	Ventura
Manzanita, Santa Rosa Island	<i>Arctostaphylos confertiflora</i>	E	CA	62 FR 40954; 7/31/1997	Ventura
Mountainbalm, Indian Knob	<i>Eriodictyon altissimum</i>	E	CA	59 FR 64613; 12/15/1994	Ventura
Pentachaeta, Lyon's	<i>Pentachaeta lyonii</i>	E	CA	62 FR 4172; 1/29/1997	Ventura
Polygonum, Scotts Valley	<i>Polygonum hickmanii</i>	E	CA	68 FR 16970; 4/8/2003	Ventura
Rush-rose, island	<i>Helianthemum greenei</i>	T	CA	62 FR 40954; 7/31/1997	Ventura
Spineflower, Monterey	<i>Chorizanthe pungens</i> var. <i>pungens</i>	T	CA	59 FR 5499; 2/4/1994	Ventura
Spineflower, Scotts Valley	<i>Chorizanthe robusta</i> var. <i>hartwegii</i>	E	CA	59 FR 5499; 2/4/1994	Ventura

Thistle, La Graciosa	<i>Cirsium loncholepis</i>	E	CA	65 FR 14888; 3/20/2000	Ventura
Phlox, Yreka	<i>Phlox hirsuta</i>	E	CA	65 FR 5268; 2/3/2000	Yreka
Animals					
Common name	Scientific name	Status	States where the species is known to occur	Final Listing rule (Federal Register citation and publication date)	Lead Fish and Wildlife Office
Mountain beaver, Point Arena	<i>Aplodontia rufa nigra</i>	E	CA	56 FR 64716; 12/12/1991	Arcata
Plover, western snowy	<i>Charadrius nivosus nivosus</i>	T	CA, OR, and WA	58 FR 12864; 3/5/1993	Arcata
Beetle, Casey's June	<i>Dinacoma caseyi</i>	E	CA	76 FR 58954; 9/22/2011	Carlsbad
Frog, mountain yellow-legged	<i>Rana muscosa</i>	E	CA	67 FR 44382; 7/2/2002	Carlsbad
Gnatcatcher, coastal California	<i>Polioptila californica californica</i>	T	CA	58 FR 16742; 3/30/1993	Carlsbad
Kangaroo rat, San Bernardino Merriam's	<i>Dipodomys merriami parvus</i>	E	CA	63 FR 3877; 1/27/1998	Carlsbad
Skipper, Laguna Mountains	<i>Pyrgus ruralis lagunae</i>	E	CA	62 FR 2313; 1/16/1997	Carlsbad
Sucker, Lost River	<i>Deltistes luxatus</i>	E	CA and OR	53 FR 27130; 7/18/1988	Klamath Falls
Sucker, shortnose	<i>Chasmistes brevirostris</i>	E	CA and OR	53 FR 27130; 7/18/1988	Klamath Falls
Sheep, Sierra Nevada bighorn	<i>Ovis canadensis sierrae</i>	E	CA	64 FR 19300; 4/20/1999	Reno
Delta smelt	<i>Hypomesus transpacificus</i>	T	CA	58 FR 12854; 3/5/1993	San Francisco Bay-Delta
Poolfish, Pahrump	<i>Empetrichthys latos</i>	E	NV	32 FR 4001; 3/11/1967	Southern Nevada

Tiger beetle, Ohlone	<i>Cicindela ohlone</i>	E	CA	66 FR 50340; 10/3/2001	Ventura
Otter, southern sea	<i>Enhydra lutris nereis</i>	T	CA	42 FR 2965; 1/14/1977	Ventura

Request for New Information

To ensure that a 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we request new information from all sources. See **What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?** for specific criteria. If you submit information, please support it with documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, methods used to gather and analyze the data, and/or copies of any pertinent publications, reports, or letters by knowledgeable sources.

To get more information on a species, submit information on a species, or review information we receive, please use the contact information for the lead Fish and Wildlife Office for the species specified in the table above.

- ***Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Vicky Ryan, 707-825-5123 (phone); vicky_ryan@fws.gov (email); or 1655 Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521 (U.S. mail).
- ***Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Bradd Bridges, 760-431-9440 (phone); bradd_bridges@fws.gov (email); or 2177 Salk Avenue, Suite 250, Carlsbad, CA 92008 (U.S. mail).
- ***Klamath Falls Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Rodger Gwiazdowski, 541-591-9905 (phone); rodger_gwiazdowski@fws.gov (email); or 1936 California Avenue, Klamath Falls, OR 97601 (U.S. mail).
- ***Reno Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Justin Barrett, 775-861-6338 (phone); RFWEmail@fws.gov (email); or 1340 Financial Boulevard, Suite 234, Reno, NV 89502 (U.S. mail).
- ***Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Amber Aguilera, 916-414-6626 (phone); fw8sfwocomments@fws.gov (email); or 2800 Cottage Way, Suite W2605, Sacramento, CA 95825 (U.S. mail).

- ***San Francisco Bay-Delta Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Steven Detwiler, 916-930-2640 (phone); *steven_detwiler@fws.gov* (email); or 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 8-300, Sacramento, CA 95814 (U.S. mail).
- ***Southern Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Kellie Berry, 702-515-5459 (phone); *kellie_berry@fws.gov* (email); or 4701 North Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130 (U.S. mail).
- ***Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Samantha Lantz, 805-677-3314 (phone); *samantha_lantz@fws.gov* (email); or 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura CA 93003 (U.S. mail).
- ***Yreka Fish and Wildlife Office:*** Nadine Kanim, 530-841-3108 (phone); *nadine_kanim@fws.gov* (email); or 1829 S. Oregon Street, Yreka, CA 96097 (U.S. mail).

Public Availability of Comments

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Authority

This document is published under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

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