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### THREATENED, ENDANGERED AND CANDIDATE SPECIES

for the

### FLATHEAD NATIONAL FOREST

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In accordance with section 7(c) of the Act, the Service has determined that the following listed species may be present on the Flathead National Forest:

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	STATUS <sup>1</sup>	RANGE – MONTANA
Bull trout	<i>Salvelinus confluentus</i>	Threatened; Critical Habitat	Clark Fork, Flathead, Kootenai, St Mary, and Belly river basins; cold water rivers and lakes.
Grizzly Bear	<i>Ursus arctos horribilis</i>	Threatened	Resident, transient; Alpine/subalpine coniferous forest
Canada Lynx	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	Threatened; Critical Habitat	Resident; western Montana – montane spruce/fir forests
Spalding's Campion (or "catchfly")	<i>Silence spaldingii</i>	Threatened	Upper Flathead River Fisher River drainages; Tobacco Valley – open grasslands with rough fescue or bluebunch wheatgrass
Water Howellia	<i>Howellia aquatilis</i>	Threatened	Wetlands; Swan Valley, Lake and Missoula Counties
Wolverine	<i>Gulo gulo luscus</i>	Proposed	High elevation alpine and boreal forests that are cold and receive enough winter precipitation to reliably maintain deep persistent snow late into the warm season
Meltwater Lednian Stonefly	<i>Lednia tumana</i>	Candidate	High elevation meltwater streams; Glacier National Park
Whitebark Pine	<i>Pinus albicaulis</i>	Candidate	Forested areas in central and western Montana, in high-elevation, upper montane habitat near treeline

<sup>1</sup>ENDANGERED (E) - Any species that is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range.

THREATENED (T) – Any species that is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range.

CANDIDATE (C) – Those taxa for which the Service has sufficient information on biological status and threats to propose to list them as threatened or endangered. We encourage their consideration in environmental planning and partnerships, however, none of the substantive or procedural provisions of the Act apply to candidate species.

EXPERIMENTAL NONESSENTIAL POPULATION (XN) – A population of a listed species reintroduced into a specific more flexible management under the Act.

CRITICAL HABITAT (CH) – The specific area (i) within the geographic area occupied by a listed species, at the time it is listed, on which are found those physical or biological features (I) essential to conserve the species and (ii) that may require special management considerations or protection: and (iii) specific areas outside the geographic area occupied by the species at the time it is listed upon determination that such areas are essential to conserve the species.