

South Dakota Listed Species by County List (updated December 9, 2020)

The bald eagle was removed from the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife effective August 8, 2007. The protections provided to the bald eagle under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act have continued to remain in place after the species was delisted. National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines (<http://www.fws.gov/pacific/eagle/NationalBaldEagleManagementGuidelines.pdf>) have been developed. This rule change does not affect the bald eagle's status as a threatened or endangered species under State laws or suspend any other legal protections provided by State law.

E = Endangered
 T = Threatened
 C = Candidate
 XN = Experimental/Non-essential Population

PE = Proposed Endangered
 PT = Proposed Threatened
 CH = Critical Habitat
 PCH = Proposed Critical Habitat

County	Group	Species	Certainty of Occurrence	Status
Aurora	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Beadle	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Bennett	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Bon Homme	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Brookings	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E (CH)
Brown	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E

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Brule	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Possible	T
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Buffalo	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Possible	T
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Butte	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
Campbell	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
Charles Mix	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
Clark	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E
Clay	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Mussel	Mussel, Scaleshell ⁶	Historic	E

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Codington	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E
Corson	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed	Possible	E
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
Custer	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed	Known	E
Davison	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Day	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E (CH)
	Invertebrate	Rusty Patched Bumble Bee ¹⁰	Historic	E
Deuel	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E (CH)
Dewey	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Known	XN
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E

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Douglas	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
Edmunds	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
Fall River	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
Faulk	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
Grant	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E (CH)
Gregory	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	XN
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Insect	Beetle, American Burying ²	Known	T	
Haakon	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
Hamlin	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E

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Hand	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Hanson	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Harding	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
Hughes	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Hutchinson	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Hyde	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Jackson	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	XN
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	E
Jerauld	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
Jones	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T

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Kingsbury	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
Lake	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Lawrence	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
Lincoln	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid ⁷	Known	E
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Lyman	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Possible	T
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed	Known	E
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Marshall	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E (CH)
McCook	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
McPherson	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T

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Meade	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
Mellette	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	XN
Miner	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Minnehaha	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Moody	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
Pennington	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Known	XN
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Known	E
Plant	Leedy's Roseroot	Known	T	
Perkins	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping ⁸	Possible	T
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T

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Potter	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Roberts	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Invertebrate	Dakota Skipper	Known	T (CH)
	Invertebrate	Poweshiek Skipperling	Possible	E (CH)
	Invertebrate	Rusty Patched Bumble Bee ¹⁰	Historic	E
Sanborn	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Oglala Lakota (Shannon)	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	XN
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Spink	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
Stanley	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Known	E
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E
Sully	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Known	E

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Todd	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Known	XN
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Insect	Beetle, American Burying ²	Known	T
Tripp	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	XN
	Insect	Beetle, American Burying ²	Known	T
	Turner	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Possible
Bird		Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
Mammal		Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
Plant		Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
Fish		Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
Union		Bird	Plover, Piping	Known
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka	Known	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Mussel	Mussel, Scaleshell ⁶	Historic	E
Walworth	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
Yankton	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Known ⁹	T
	Fish	Sturgeon, Pallid	Possible	E
	Fish	Shiner, Topeka ³	Possible	E
	Plant	Orchid, Western Prairie Fringed ¹	Possible	T
	Mussel	Mussel, Scaleshell ⁶	Historic	E
	Mussel	Mussel, Higgins Eye ^{5,6}	Possible	E

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Ziebach	Bird	Crane, Whooping	Known	E
	Bird	Plover, Piping	Known	T (CH)
	Bird	Tern, Least	Known	E
	Bird	Knot, Rufa Red	Possible	T
	Mammal	Bat, Northern Long-eared	Possible	T
	Mammal	Ferret, Black-footed ⁴	Possible	XN

Notes

¹ The counties indicated for the Western Prairie Fringed Orchid are counties with potential habitat. Currently, there are no known populations of this species in South Dakota. Status surveys have been completed for the orchid in South Dakota. However, because of the ecology of this species, there is a possibility that plants may be overlooked.

² The status of the American Burying Beetle was changed in 2020. It is now Threatened across its range. There is also a 4d Rule associated with this species. The American Burying Beetle in South Dakota is presently known for only Gregory, Todd and Tripp counties. One specimen was recently trapped in southern Bennett County. Historic specimens have been recorded from Haakon and Brookings Counties. A comprehensive status survey has never been completed for the American burying beetle in South Dakota. Until status surveys have been completed, the beetle could and may occur in any county with suitable habitat. Suitable habitat is considered to be any site with significant humus or topsoil suitable for burying carrion.

³ Although Topeka Shiners have not been formally documented within Clark, Douglas, Jerauld, Kingsbury, McPherson, Spink, or Yankton Counties, the species may still occur in these areas because they contain portions of known occupied Topeka Shiner streams and/or potentially occupied streams that exist within one or more of the three known inhabited watersheds in South Dakota: the James, Vermillion, and Big Sioux.

⁴ Black-footed ferrets have been reintroduced in the Badlands National Park, Buffalo Gap National Grasslands, Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation, Lower Brule Sioux Reservation, Rosebud Sioux Reservation and Wind Cave National Park .

⁵ A fresh dead shell of a Higgins Eye Mussel was found in the Missouri River below Gavins Point Dam on October 27, 2004.

⁶ Shells of these species have been found, but no populations have been located.

⁷ A pallid sturgeon was caught in Lincoln County from the Big Sioux River in May 2009.

⁸ In Perkins County, piping plovers have been found at Shade Hill Reservoir.

⁹ Northern Long-eared Bat was listed as a threatened species on April 2, 2015. The current range is the entire state. The range for this species will be adjusted as better scientific information becomes available. Critical habitat has not been proposed yet. Counties marked as “known” occurrence means acoustic or netting surveys have documented NLEB in that county. Documentation is not available for

the other counties but it is possible NLEB are there in the summer.

The Rufa Red Knot was listed as a threatened species on December 11, 2014. This species can be found in South Dakota during migration. The current range is the entire state. The range for this species will be adjusted as better scientific information becomes available.

¹⁰ The Rusty Patched Bumble Bee was added to the Endangered Species List on January 11, 2017. South Dakota is not included in the current range. Two counties (Roberts and Day) have historic occurrence records. Under Section 7 consultation, surveys are not required and the species is not anticipated to be present in South Dakota.

More specific information on these species can be found at our website at <http://www.fws.gov> or by calling our office for more information.

Any corrections or additions to this list should be submitted to Scott Larson, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, South Dakota Field Office, Ecological Services, 420 South Garfield Avenue, Pierre, SD; Telephone (605)224-8693.