

National Workplan to Address Downlisting and Delisting Recommendations

3-Year Workplan (September 2022)

Key to Terms:

Proposed rule – Publication in the Federal Register of our proposal to change the status of a species, along with the rationale for the proposed action and a request for any relevant new information and public review

Final Determination – For species that have already been proposed for downlisting or delisting, publication of our final determination in the Federal Register. We will either finalize or withdraw the proposed rule

12-month finding – Upon receipt of a petition containing substantial information to delist or downlist a species, we conduct a status review and publish a finding on whether the petitioned action is warranted. If we determine the action is warranted, we generally intend to proceed with a concurrent proposed rule. If the action is not warranted, we will take no further action.

Downlist to T – Reclassification of the species from an endangered species to a threatened species, marking an improvement in its status.

Delist due to recovery – Removal of a species from the List because the species is recovered and no longer meets the definitions of either an endangered species or a threatened species.

Delist due to extinction – Removal of a species from the List because a sufficient period of time has passed since the species was last detected and the best available information indicates the species has a very high likelihood of being extinct.

Revision of entity – We have new taxonomic information regarding the species and will incorporate that new information into our rulemaking.

Table 1. Workplan to address downlisting and delisting recommendations through fiscal year 2026.

Species Common Name	Listing Status	5-year Review Date	5-year Review Recommendation or Action Type	12-month Finding or Proposed Rule	Final Determination	Lead FWS Region	Current Distribution/Range
Boa, Virgin Islands tree	E	9/30/2020	Downlist to T	9/30/2020	FY23	4	VI, PR
Crayfish, Nashville	E	2/7/2017	Delist due to recovery	11/26/2019	FY23	4	TN
Woodpecker, red-cockaded	E	10/8/2020	Downlist to T	10/8/2020	FY23	4	AL, AR, FL, GA, LA, MS, NC, OK, SC, TX, VA
Lousewort, Furbish	E	2/21/2019	Downlist to T	1/15/2021	FY23	5	ME
Stilt, Hawaiian	E	3/19/2020	Downlist to T	3/25/2021	FY23	1	HI

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Heartleaf, dwarf-flowered	T	--	Delist due to recovery	4/26/2021	FY23	4	NC, SC
Larkspur, San Clemente Island; Sparrow, Bell's; San Clemente Island; Bush-mallow, San Clemente Island; Paintbrush, San Clemente Island; Lotus, San Clemente Island	E	5/5/2021	Delist due to recovery	5/5/2021	FY23	HQ with 8	CA
Aster, Florida golden	E	6/24/2021	Delist due to recovery	6/24/2021	FY23	4	FL
Paintbrush, golden	T	6/30/2021	Delist due to recovery	6/30/2021	FY23	1	OR, WA
Sucker, razorback	E	9/25/2018	Downlist to T	7/7/2021	FY23	6	AZ, CA, CO, NM, NV, UT, WY, Mexico
Batch Delisting Due to Extinction	various	various	Delist due to extinction	9/30/2021	FY23	1, 2, 3, 4	AL, AR, GA, FL, HI, IL, IN, KY, MS, OH, SC, TN, TX, VA, WV, Guam
Woodpecker, Ivory-billed	E	6/3/2019	Delist due to extinction	9/30/2021	FY23	4	Cuba, U.S.A. (southcentral and southeastern)
Darter, Okaloosa	T	11/17/2021	Delist due to recovery	11/17/2021	FY23	4	FL
Checker-mallow, Nelson's	T	10/8/2021	Delist due to recovery	4/28/2022	FY23	1	OR, WA
Darter, relict	E	8/30/2019	Downlist to T	3/3/2022	FY23	4	KY
Mitracarpus polycladus (NCN)	E	9/25/2018	Downlist to T	6/23/2022	FY23	4	PR, Netherlands Antilles (Saba)
Boa, Puerto Rican	E	7/13/2022	Delist due to recovery	7/13/2022	FY23	4	PR
Popcornflower, rough	E	4/13/2021	Downlist to T	FY23	FY24	1	OR
Topminnow, Gila	E	n/a	12-month finding	FY23	FY24 (if necessary)	2	AZ, NM
Trout, Apache	T	8/15/2022	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	2	AZ

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Chub, Gila	E	4/5/2022 (ANPR)	Delist due to taxonomy	FY23	FY24	2	AZ, NM
Threeridge, fat and slabshell, Chipola (mussels)	E	--	Delist due to Recovery	FY23	FY24	4	FL, GA
Stork, wood	T	--	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	4	AL, FL, GA, MS, NC, SC
Geocarpon minimum	T	--	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	4	AR, LA, MO, TX
Skullcap, large-flowered	T	--	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	4	GA, TN
Clubshell, southern	E	9/23/2019	Downlist to T	FY23	FY24	4	AL, GA, MS, TN
Fern, American hart's tongue	T	7/29/2020	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	5	AL, MI, NM, NY, TN
Bulrush, Northeastern	E	8/28/2019	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	5	MA, MD, NH, NY, PA, VA, VT, WV
Sneezeweed, Virginia	T	4/23/2020	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	5	VA
Cactus, Colorado hookless	T	8/10/2021	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	6	CO
Bedstraw, Island and Dudleya, Santa Cruz Island	E/T	--	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	8	CA
Towhee, Inyo California	T	9/30/2008	Delist due to recovery	11/4/2013	FY24	8	CA
Phacelia, North Park	E	8/30/2021	Delist due to recovery	FY23	FY24	6	CO
Shiner, Topeka	E	7/21/2021	Downlist to T	FY23	FY24	6	IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, SD
Goby, tidewater	E	--	Downlist to T / Revision of entity	FY23 (Revised Proposed Rule)	FY24	8	CA
Sedge, white	E	5/2/2019	Delist due to taxonomy	FY23	FY24	8	CA

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Sea otter, southern	T	n/a	12-month finding	FY23	FY24 (if necessary)	8	CA, OR, WA
Fritillary, Gentner's	E	7/15/2022	Delist due to recovery	FY24	FY25	1	CA, OR
Wild-buckwheat, gypsum	T	11/4/2016	Delist due to recovery	1/6/2017	FY25	2	NM
Zebra, Cape Mountain	E	n/a	12-month finding	FY24	FY25 (if necessary)	HQ	South Africa
Bush-clover, prairie	T	9/23/2021	Delist due to recovery	FY25	FY26	3	IL, IA, MN, WI

Table 2. Actions not yet scheduled.

Species Common Name	Listing Status	5-year Review Date	5-year Review Recommendation or Action Type	12-month Finding or Proposed Rule	Final Determination	Lead FWS Region	Current Distribution/Range
Coqui, golden	T	4/14/2022	Delist due to extinction	TBD	TBD	4	PR
Panther, Florida	E	--	Revision of entity	TBD	TBD	4	FL
Salamander, Red Hills	T	5/6/2013	Delist due to recovery	TBD	TBD	4	AL
Darter, Maryland	E	8/20/2021	Delist due to extinction	TBD	TBD	5	MD
Cooter, Northern Red-Bellied (MA popn.)	E	3/25/2022	Downlist to T	TBD	TBD	5	MA
Isopod, Lee County cave	E	8/3/2021	Downlist to T	TBD	TBD	5	VA
Gerardia, sandplain	E	6/19/2019	Revision of entity	TBD	TBD	5	CT, MA, MD, MY, RI