



Big Bend Gambusia Species Information

Scientific Name: *Gambusia gaigei*

Family: Poeciliidae

Description: Freshwater fish growing a little over 1 inch with a life expectancy of 2 years. The Dorsal fin is further back with caudal (tail) fin being rounded. Species has a faint lateral stripe being the darkest part of the body.

Status: Endangered, March 11, 1967

Native Area: Springs in the vicinity of Boquillas Crossing, Texas and in Rio Grande Village in Big Bend National Park, Texas.

Additional Comments: The Dexter National Fish Hatchery & Technology Center in Dexter, New Mexico, maintains a captive population.



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