

Federally-Listed Threatened and Endangered Species  
within the Lower Rio Grande Valley  
(Current as of December 2010)

**Cameron County**

Green sea turtle (T)	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
Gulf Coast jaguarundi (E)	<i>Herpailurus yagouaroundi cacomitli</i>
Hawksbill sea turtle (E)	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>
Kemp's Ridley sea turtle (E)	<i>Lepidochelys kempii</i>
Leatherback sea turtle (E)	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>
Loggerhead sea turtle (T)	<i>Caretta caretta</i>
Northern aplomado falcon (E)	<i>Falco femoralis septentrionalis</i>
Ocelot (E)	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>
Piping plover (T w/CH)	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>
South Texas ambrosia (E)	<i>Ambrosia cheiranthifolia</i>
Texas ayenia (E)	<i>Ayenia limitaris</i>
West Indian manatee (E)	<i>Trichechus manatus</i>

**Hidalgo County**

Gulf Coast jaguarundi (E)	<i>Herpailurus yagouaroundi cacomitli</i>
Northern aplomado falcon (E)	<i>Falco femoralis septentrionalis</i>
Ocelot (E)	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>
Star cactus (E)	<i>Astrophytum asterias</i>
Texas ayenia (E)	<i>Ayenia limitaris</i>
Walker's manioc (E)	<i>Manihot walkerae</i>

**Starr County**

Ashy dogweed (E)	<i>Thymophylla (=Dyssodia) tephroleuca</i>
Gulf Coast jaguarundi (E)	<i>Herpailurus yagouaroundi cacomitli</i>
Johnston's frankenia (E)	<i>Frankenia johnstonii</i>
Least tern (E)	<i>Sternula antillarum</i>
Ocelot (E)	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>
Star cactus (E)	<i>Astrophytum (=Echinocactus) asterias</i>
Walker's manioc (E)	<i>Manihot walkerae</i>
Zapata bladderpod (E w/CH)	<i>Lesquerella thamnophila</i>

**Willacy County**

Gulf Coast jaguarundi (E)	<i>Herpailurus yagouaroundi cacomitli</i>
Ocelot (E)	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>
Northern aplomado falcon (E)	<i>Falco femoralis septentrionalis</i>
Hawksbill sea turtle (E)	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>
Kemp's Ridley sea turtle (E)	<i>Lepidochelys kempii</i>
Leatherback sea turtle (E)	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>
Texas Ayenia (E)	<i>Ayenia limitaris</i>
Green sea turtle (T)	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>
Loggerhead sea turtle (T)	<i>Caretta caretta</i>
Piping plover (T w/CH)	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>

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- E = Species in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range.  
T = Species which is likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range.  
C = Species for which the Service has on file enough substantial information to warrant listing as threatened or endangered.  
CH = Critical Habitat (in Texas unless annotated †)  
~ = Protection restricted to populations found in the “interior” of the United States. In Texas, the least tern receives full protection, except within 50 miles (80 km) of the Gulf Coast.

**County-by-County lists containing species information is available at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s (Service), Southwest Region, web site**  
<http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/EndangeredSpecies/lists>.