

Selecting Focal Species

New Jersey's Native Wildlife (Approximately 3,700 species)

Filter#

1

Species meets one or more assessment criteria based on available state, regional, national, and global evaluations of conservation status

New Jersey's Species of Greatest Conservation Need (SGCN) (657 species)

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Species is listed as Endangered, Threatened, or Candidate Species in NJ or US; or Species is included on list of Regional Species of Greatest Conservation Need (RSGCN); or Species passes a "fatal flaw" assessment by the expert Taxa Team

Priority Species of Greatest Conservation Need (Priority SGCN) (351 species)

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Taxa Team experts evaluate the degree and urgency of conservation need and the feasibility of addressing threats to the species; Species ranks among the "upper tier" in conservation need and feasibility

"Upper Tier" Priority SGCN (107 species)

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Focal list may be further refined based on taxonomic, habitat, and landscape region representation and the overlapping niches and needs among some species

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These species will serve as a primary basis for assessing threats and developing actions in our revision of the New Jersey Wildlife Action Plan

