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## FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

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## Federal Endangered, Threatened, and Candidate Species and Proposed and Designated Critical Habitats that Occur in or may be Affected by Projects in FREMONT County, Wyoming Last Updated September 2008

Species/Critical Habitat	Scientific Name	Status	Habitat
Black-footed Ferret	Mustela nigripes	Endangered	Prairie dog towns
Blowout Penstemon	Penstemon haydenii	Endangered	Sand blowouts or dunes
Canada Lynx	Lynx canadensis	Threatened	Montane forests
Canada Lynx	Proposed areas include boreal forest landscapes of Fremont, Lincoln, Park,		
Proposed Critical	Sublette, and Teton Counties of Wyoming (see 73 FR 10860)		
Habitat		_	
Colorado River Fish			Downstream riverine habitat in
(Bonytail,	Gila elegans	Endangered	the Yampa, Green, and Colorado
Colorado Pikeminnow,	Ptychocheilus lucius	Endangered	River systems*
Humpback Chub,	Gila cypha	Endangered	
Razorback Sucker)	Xyrauchen texanus	Endangered	
Colorado River Fish	Designated for Colorado River Fish in Colorado and Utah in downstream		
Critical Habitat	riverine habitat in the Yampa, Green, and Colorado River systems*		
Desert Yellowhead	Yermo xanthocephalus	Threatened	Beaver Rim, Fremont County
Desert Yellowhead	Designated for desert yellowhead in Fremont County, Wyoming and		
Critical Habitat	consists of 360 acres of Bureau of Land Management administered lands		
	within portions of Township 31 North, Range 95 West, Sections 27 and 34		
Gray Wolf	Canis lupus	Experimental	Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem
Platte River Species			Downstream riverine habitat of
(Interior Least Tern,	Sternula antillarum	Endangered	the Platte River system*
Pallid Sturgeon,	Scaphirhynchus albus	Endangered	
Piping Plover,	Charadrius melodus	Threatened	
Western Prairie Fringed	Platanthera praeclara	Threatened	
Orchid,			
Whooping Crane)	Grus americana	Endangered	
Platte River Species	Designated for whooping crane in Nebraska in riverine habitat of the Platte		
Critical Habitat	River system*		
Ute Ladies'-tresses	Spiranthes diluvialis	Threatened	Seasonally moist soils and wet
			meadows of drainages below
			7,000 ft. elevation
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Coccyzus americanus	Candidate	Riparian areas west of Continental
(Western)			Divide

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) biologists have used the best scientific information available to formulate this list, which is updated annually or soon after listing changes occur. The purpose of a species list is to help provide information on endangered and threatened species that may be present in a project area.

\*If the proposed action may lead to consumptive use of water or have the potential to affect water quality in the Platte or Colorado River Systems, there may be impacts to threatened and endangered species inhabiting the downstream reaches of these river systems. For more information on how to seek ESA coverage for water-related activities through the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program, please visit our web site at: <a href="http://www.fws.gov/platteriver">http://www.fws.gov/platteriver</a>.

A current version of this species list fulfills the Service's requirement, under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), to provide a list of endangered and threatened species upon request for federal actions and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance. Federal agency responsibilities under section 7 of the Act, including an outline of the section 7 consultation process and information needed in a biological assessment may be found at the following link: <a href="http://endangered.fws.gov/consultations">http://endangered.fws.gov/consultations</a>. Non-Federal entities who believe that their projects or activities may affect listed species may contact the Service regarding the potential need for a section 10 permit, under the Act.

Candidate species are those species for which the Service has sufficient information to propose for listing as threatened or endangered under the Act. Conservation measures for candidate species are voluntary but recommended. Protection provided to these species now may preclude possible listing in the future. The Service's Wyoming Ecological Services office would appreciate receiving information as to the current status of these species within the proposed project area.

Measures may also be required for the project to protect migratory birds under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, 16 U.S.C. 703 and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, 16 U.S.C. 668. Wetlands are afforded protection under Executive Orders 11990 (wetland protection) and 11988 (floodplain management), as well as section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Additional information that may be important for project planning concerning other important fish and wildlife resources is available from the Service's Wyoming Ecological Services office.

For additional information, please call the Wyoming Ecological Services Field Office at 307-772-2374.