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Federal Endangered, Threatened, and Candidate Species and Designated Critical Habitats that Occur in or may be Affected by Projects in GOSHEN 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 dunes or blowouts
Colorado Butterfly Plant	Gaura neomexicana	Threatened	Wet meadows and riparian
	coloradensis		areas
Platte River Species			Downstream riverine habitat
(Interior least tern,	Sternula antillarum	Endangered	of 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		
Critical Habitat	Platte River system*		
Ute Ladies'-tresses	Spiranthes diluvialis	Threatened	Seasonally moist soils and
			wet meadows of drainages
			below 7,000 ft. elevation

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 River System, there may be impacts to threatened and endangered species inhabiting the downstream reaches of this river system. 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: http://www.fws.gov/platteriver.

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: http://endangered.fws.gov/consultations. 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.

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.