# Wildlife Threatened on the Gulf Coast

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is concerned about 38 federally listed species protected under the Endangered Species Act that could potentially be impacted by the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. Of those, 29 are endangered.

NOTE: In addition to those listed by state below, the National Marine Fisheries Service also lists as endangered the sperm whale, a resident of Gulf Coast waters.

# Alabama Mammals

West Indian Manatee [endangered] Alabama beach mouse [endangered] Perdido Key beach mouse [endangered]

#### **Birds**

Piping plover [threatened] Wood stork [endangered]

# Reptiles

Loggerhead sea turtle [threatened] Leatherback sea turtle [endangered] Kemp's ridley sea turtle [endangered] Green sea turtle [threatened] Alabama red belly turtle [endangered]

#### Fishes

Gulf sturgeon [threatened]

# Mississippi

### Mammals

West Indian Manatee [endangered]

#### **Birds**

Mississippi sandhill crane\* [endangered] Piping plover [threatened]

Interior least tern \* [endangered]

#### Reptiles

Loggerhead sea turtle [threatened]
Leatherback sea turtle [endangered]
Kemp's ridley sea turtle [endangered]
Green sea turtle [threatened]
Alabama red belly turtle [endangered]
Ringed map turtle\* [threatened]
Yellow blotched map turtle\* [threatened]

#### *Fishes*

Gulf sturgeon [threatened]
pallid sturgeon\* [endangered]

# Louisiana

Mammals

# Louisiana black bear\* [threatened]

West Indian manatee [endangered]

#### *Birds*

Piping plover [threatened]

#### Reptiles

Loggerhead sea turtle [threatened] Leatherback sea turtle [endangered] Kemp's ridley sea turtle [endangered] Green sea turtle [threatened]

Ringed map turtle\* [threatened]

#### Fishes

Gulf sturgeon [threatened]

Pallid sturgeon\* [endangered]

# **Florida**

#### Mammals

Key deer [endangered]
West Indian manatee [endangered]
Florida salt marsh vole [endangered]
Perdido Key beach mouse [endangered]
Choctawhatchee beach mouse [endangered]
St Andrew beach mouse [endangered]
Key Largo cotton mouse [endangered]
Lower Keys marsh rabbit [endangered]

# Florida panther\* [endangered]

Rice rat [endangered]
Key Largo woodrat [endangered]

# Birds

Whooping crane [endangered]
Piping plover [threatened]
Wood stork [endangered]
Everglade snail kite\* [endangered]
Cape Sable seaside sparrow\* [endangered]

Roseate tern [threatened]

# Reptiles

Loggerhead sea turtle [threatened]
Leatherback sea turtle [endangered]
Kemp's ridley sea turtle [endangered]
Green sea turtle [endangered]
Hawksbill sea turtle [endangered]
American crocodile [threatened]

#### *Fishes*

Gulf sturgeon [threatened]

# Snails

Stock Island tree snail\* [threatened]

#### Insects

# Schaus swallowtail butterfly\* [endangered]

Florida perforate cladonia [endangered]

#### **Plants**

Beach jacquemontia [endangered] Garbers spurge [threatened]

Key tree cactus\* [endangered] Beautiful pawpaw\* [endangered]

# **Texas**

#### Mammals

West Indian manatee [endangered]

#### Birds

Piping plover [threatened]

Whooping crane \* [endangered]

#### Reptiles

Loggerhead sea turtle [threatened] Leatherback sea turtle [endangered] Kemp's ridley sea turtle [endangered] Green sea turtle [threatened] Hawksbill sea turtle [endangered]

\*denotes species where impacts may occur in extreme conditions (i.e., oil is pushed into rivers or marshes due to hurricane)

#### **Hotlines**

For media: Joint Information Center: 713/323 1670 and 713/323 1671

To report claims related to damages: 800/440 0858

To volunteer: 866/448 5816

To report oiled or injured wildlife: 866/557 1401

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