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Scientific Name	Common Name	State	USFWS	Habitats Used
Amphibians				
<i>Rana capito</i>	Gopher (=crawfish) frog		Sp. Spec. Concern	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub, Scrubby Flatwoods, Xeric Oak Hammock (uses ephemeral wetlands for breeding)
Birds				
<i>Ajaia ajaja</i>	Roseate spoonbill		Sp. Spec. Concern	Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Sloughs, Mangrove Swamp, Sawgrass Marsh, Ruderal (impoundments, spoil banks)
<i>Ammodramus savannarum floridanus</i>	Florida grasshopper sparrow	Endangered	Endangered	Slough, S. FL Flatwoods (dry prairie)
<i>Aphelocoma coerulescens</i>	Florida scrub-jay	Threatened	Threatened	Sand Pine Scrub and Scrubby Flatwoods
<i>Aramus guarauna</i>	Limpkin		Sp. Spec. Concern	Mangrove Swamp, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Cypress Swamp, Springs, Slough, Sawgrass Marsh, Ruderal (impoundments, canals, sugarcane, etc.)
<i>Egretta caerulea</i>	Little blue heron		Sp. Spec. Concern	N. & S. FL Coastal Strand, Wet Prairie or Slough, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Mangrove Swamps, Cypress Swamp, Sawgrass Marsh, Salt Marsh, Shrub Bog & Bay Swamp, Ruderal
<i>Egretta thula</i>	Snowy egret		Sp. Spec. Concern	N. & S. FL Coastal Strand, Wet Prairie or Slough, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Mangrove Swamps, Cypress Swamp, Sawgrass Marsh, Salt Marsh, Shrub Bog & Bay Swamp, Ruderal
<i>Egretta tricolor</i>	Tricolored (=Louisiana) heron		Sp. Spec. Concern	N. & S. FL Coastal Strand, Wet Prairie or Slough, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Mangrove Swamps, Cypress Swamp, Sawgrass Marsh, Salt Marsh, Shrub Bog & Bay Swamp, Ruderal
<i>Eudocimus albus</i>	White ibis		Sp. Spec. Concern	N. & S. FL Coastal Strand, Wet Prairie or Slough, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Mangrove Swamps, Cypress Swamp, Sawgrass Marsh, Salt Marsh, Shrub Bog & Bay Swamp, Ruderal
<i>Falco peregrinus</i>	Peregrine falcon	Endangered		N. & S. FL Coastal Strands (winter), Various Terrestrial and Ruderal Habitats
<i>Falco sparverius paulus</i>	Southeastern American kestrel	Threatened		Open Forests, Clearings, Ruderal, Various Open Habitats

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<i>Grus canadensis pratensis</i>	Florida sandhill crane	Threatened		N. & S. FL Flatwoods, Wet Prairie or Slough, Dry Prairie, Shallow Freshwater Marsh, Ruderal (pasture, crop fields, etc.)
<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	Bald eagle	Threatened	Threatened	Nearly throughout (estuarine, lacustrine, riverine, terrestrial); nests are usually near water
<i>Mycteria americana</i>	Wood stork	Endangered	Endangered	N. & S. FL, Everglades & Cabbage Palm Flatwoods, Pitcher Plant Bog, Sloughs, Sawgrass Marsh, Swamp & Bottomland Hardwoods, Cypress Swamp, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Salt Marsh, Wetland Hardwood Hammock, Shrub Bog and Bay Swamp, Cutthroat Seeps
<i>Picoides borealis</i>	Red-cockaded woodpecker	Threatened	Endangered	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, N. & S. FL Flatwoods, Mixed Hardwood Pine
<i>Polyborus plancus audubonii</i>	Audubon's crested caracara	Threatened	Threatened	S. FL & Cabbage Palm Flatwoods, Dry Prairie, Wet Prairie or Slough, Wetland Hardwood Hammock, Ruderal (pasture & grasslands)
<i>Rostrhamus sociabilis plumbeus</i>	Everglades snail kite	Endangered	Endang. - Crit. Hab. Designated	S. FL Flatwoods, Sloughs, Sawgrass Marsh, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Cypress Swamp
<i>Rynchops niger</i>	Black skimmer	Sp. Spec. Concern		N. FL Coastal Strand, Ruderal (commonly nests in rooftops)
<i>Speotyto cunicularia</i>	Florida burrowing owl	Sp. Spec. Concern		N. & S. FL Flatwoods (dry prairie or grassland habitat), Ruderal (primarily pasture)
Lichen				
<i>Cladonia perforate</i>	Florida perforate cladonia; deer moss	Endangered	Endangered	Florida coastal Strand, Sand Pine Scrub
Mammals				
<i>Felis concolor coryi</i>	Florida panther	Endangered	Endangered	Historically most FL ecological communities are suitable for panthers (introduced mountain lions are protected via a similarity of appearance designation)
<i>Podomys floridanus</i>	Florida mouse	Sp. Spec. Concern		Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub, Scrubby Flatwoods
<i>Sciurus niger shermani</i>	Sherman's fox squirrel	Sp. Spec. Concern		N. & S. FL Flatwoods, Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Ruderal

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<i>Sorex longirostris eionis</i>	Homosassa shrew		Sp. Spec. Concern	Swamp & Bottomland Hardwoods, Cypress & Bay Swamps, N. & S. FL Flatwoods, Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Xeric Oak Hammock, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Ursus americanus floridanus</i>	Florida black bear		Threatened	N. & S. FL & Cabbage Palm Flatwoods, Mixed Hardwood Pine, Wetland to Upland Hardwood & Oak Hammocks, Shrub Bog & Bay Swamp, Cypress Swamp, Freshwater Marsh & Ponds, Pitcher Plant Bog, Swamp and Bottomland Hardwoods, Sand Pine Scrub, Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills (not applicable in Baker & Columbia counties and Apalachicola Nat'l Forest)

Plant - Dicots

<i>Bonamia grandiflora</i>	Florida (=large-flowered) bonamia	Endangered	Threatened	Sand Pine Scrub & Scrubby Longleaf Pine & Turkey Oak Hills
<i>Chionanthus pygmaeus</i>	Pygmy fringetree	Endangered	Endangered	Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Clitoria fragrans</i>	Pigeon-wing (=sandhill) butterfly-pea	Endangered	Threatened	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub, Scrubby Flatwoods
<i>Conradina breviflora</i>	Short-leaved rosemary	Endangered	Endangered	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Crotolaria avonensis</i>	Avon Park rattlebox; Avon Park harebells	Endangered	Endangered	Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Eriogonum longifolium</i> var. <i>gnaphalifolium</i>	Scrub buckwheat	Endangered	Threatened	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Hypericum cumulicola</i>	Highlands scrub hypericum	Endangered	Endangered	Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Liatris ohlingerae</i>	Florida gayfeather; scrub blazing star	Endangered	Endangered	Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Paronychia chartacea</i> ssp <i>minima</i>	Crystal lake nailwort		Threatened	Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub (often along Karst lake margins)
<i>Polygala lewtonii</i>	Scrub milkwort; Lewton's polygala	Endangered	Endangered	Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Polygonella basiramia</i>	Hairy (=tufted) jointweed; wireweed	Endangered	Endangered	Sand Pine Scrub

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<i>Polygonella myriophylla</i>	Small's jointweed; sandlace	Endangered	Endangered	Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Prunus geniculata</i>	Scrub plum	Endangered	Endangered	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Warea amplexifolia</i>	Clasping (=wide-leaf) warea	Endangered	Endangered	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills
<i>Warea carteri</i>	Carter's mustard	Endangered	Endangered	Scrubby Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub, Scrubby Flatwoods, S. FL & Cabbage Palm Flatwoods
<i>Ziziphus celata</i>	Florida (=scrub) jujube	Endangered	Endangered	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub

Plant - Monocots

<i>Nolina brittoniana</i>	Scrub (=Britton's) beargrass	Endangered	Endangered	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub, Scrubby Flatwoods
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Reptiles

<i>Alligator mississippiensis</i>	American alligator	Sp. Spec. Concern	Endangered - SA	All Flatwoods, Bogs, Sloughs, Swamps, Marshes, Sloughs and Perennial Water Bodies
<i>Drymarchon corais couperi</i>	Eastern indigo snake	Threatened	Threatened	E. indigo snakes use just about all FL Ecol. Communities, Ruderal
<i>Eumeces egregius lividus</i>	Bluetail mole skink	Threatened	Threatened	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Gopherus polyphemus</i>	Gopher tortoise	Sp. Spec. Concern		N. & S. Coastal Strand, Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub, Scrubby Flatwoods, Tropical Hammock, Ruderal
<i>Neoseps reynoldsi</i>	Sand skink	Threatened	Threatened	Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub
<i>Pituophis melanoleucus mugitus</i>	Florida pine snake	Sp. Spec. Concern		Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Scrubby Flatwoods, Xeric Oak Hammock, Ruderal
<i>Pseudemys concinna suwanniensis</i>	Suwannee cooter	Sp. Spec. Concern		Alluvial, Blackwater & Spring-run Streams
<i>Stilosoma extenuatum</i>	Short-tailed snake	Threatened		Longleaf Pine/Turkey Oak Hills, Sand Pine Scrub