



**THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES
KNOWN OR LIKELY TO OCCUR
IN
OSAGE COUNTY, KANSAS**

American Burying Beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) - Endangered: Known to occur historically and may still occur in suitable grasslands and upland woodlands. Endangered nationally.

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as a regular winter resident. Wintering eagles are dependent upon large water bodies and larger rivers where they feed on waterfowl and fish. *Critical habitat has been designated.* Threatened nationally.

Common Map Turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) - Threatened: Currently known to occur in scattered low-density populations in Long and Frog Creek. May inhabit large streams, lakes, and oxbows having abundant basking sites, slow to moderate current, soft substrate with much aquatic vegetation, and tree-lined banks. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

Eastern Spotted Skunk (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: May occur in suitable habitat. Prefers forest edge and rock outcrops in upland prairie grasslands. Also frequents fencerows, outbuildings, brushpiles, and riparian woodlands.

Eskimo Curlew (*Numenius borealis*) - Endangered: Formerly a regular spring migrant using plowed fields, heavily grazed pastures, burned grasslands. Has not been verified in Kansas since 1902. A few birds may still migrate through the state. Endangered nationally.

Flutedshell Mussel (*Lasmigona costata*) - Threatened: An obligate riverine mussel dependent upon clean riffles comprised of small to medium size gravel with clean water having moderate current. May occur in the Marais des Cygnes River and its larger tributaries.

Hornyhead Chub (*Nocomis biguttatus*) - Threatened: Known to occur historically in the Marais des Cygnes basin and may still occur in suitable habitat. Most common in small streams with steady flow of clear cool water in deep runs and pools and aquatic plants along their margins.

Least Tern (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: Known to occur as seasonal transients. Endangered nationally.

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) - Endangered: Known to occur as an uncommon transient and occasional winter visitant. Prefers marshes, lakes, and rivers where concentrations of waterfowl or other birdlife provide ample prey.

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Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as a rare transient. Prefers sparsely vegetated shorelines of shallow lakes, salt flats and open ground in marshes, and bare river sandbars. Threatened nationally.

Rock Pocketbook Mussel (*Arcidens confragosus*) - Threatened: An obligate riverine mussel adapted to mud, silt, and silty gravel substrates in pools in medium to large streams. May occur in the Marais des Cygnes River and its larger tributaries.

Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as an occasional transient and summer resident. Prefers sparsely vegetated shorelines on impoundment, rivers, and marshes.

Topeka Shiner (*Notropis topeka*) - Threatened: Known to occur historically and may still occur in the Wakarusa River basin. Prefers small streams with high water quality and clean gravel substrate. Endangered nationally.

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: May occur as a local summer visitant or seasonal transient at marshes and impoundments.

Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*) - Endangered: Known to occur as an infrequent seasonal transient that stops to rest and feed at marshes and hay fields. Endangered nationally.