



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

**American Burying Beetle** (*Nicrophorus americanus*) - Endangered: May occur in suitable grasslands and upland woodlands. Endangered nationally.

**Bald Eagle** (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: May occur as transients or occasional visitants. Wintering eagles are dependent upon large water bodies and larger rivers where they feed on waterfowl and fish. Threatened nationally.

**Eastern Spotted Skunk** (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: Known to occur historically and likely still occurs in suitable habitat. Prefers forest edges, rock outcrops, and brushy 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 and burned grasslands. Was most common in the eastern 2/3 of the state, but has not been verified in Kansas since 1902. A few birds may still migrate through Kansas. Endangered nationally.

**Least Tern** (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: May occur as an occasional transient near water bodies where a dependable supply of small fish and aquatic crustaceans is available. Endangered nationally.

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

**Piping Plover** (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: May occasionally 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.

**Snowy Plover** (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: May occasionally occur as a migrant or visitant on bare flats in wetlands and bare river sandbars.

**Western Silvery Minnow** (*Hybognathus argyritis*) - Threatened: Prefers large shallow sandy rivers where it utilizes runs and backwater pools. Currently known from the Missouri River. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

**White-faced Ibis** (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: May occur occasionally as a local summer visitant at marshes or other water bodies.