



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

American Burying Beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) - Endangered: Known to occur in suitable habitat. Prefers loose sandy/clay loam soils in grasslands and along upland woodland edges. *Critical habitat has been designated.* Endangered nationally.

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as a regular seasonal transient or winter resident. *Critical habitat has been designated.* Threatened nationally.

Butterfly Mussel (*Ellipsaria lineolata*) - Threatened: An obligate riverine mussel preferring clean water with good current over gravel substrate. Currently has been documented in much reduced numbers in the Verdigris River. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

Common Map Turtle (*Graptemys geographica*) - Threatened: Semi-aquatic in nature, this turtle may occur in large streams, lakes and oxbows having abundant basking sites, slow to moderate current, soft substrate with much aquatic vegetation, and tree-lined banks. Historically occurred throughout eastern Kansas south of the Kansas River and east of the Flint Hills.

Eastern Spotted Skunk (*Spilogale putorius interrupta*) - Threatened: Known to occur near woodland edges in grasslands with shrub clumps or rock outcrops, and in abandoned farmsteads where old buildings or debris piles provide cover. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

Eskimo Curlew (*Numenius borealis*) - Endangered: Formerly a regular spring migrant using plowed fields, heavily grazed 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 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.

Least Tern (*Sterna antillarum*) - Endangered: Known to occur as an uncommon seasonal transient or summer visitant. Endangered nationally.

Neosho Mucket Mussel (*Lampsilis rafinesqueana*) - Endangered: An obligate riverine mussel preferring shallow clean-flowing water over a substrate of fine to medium size gravel. Currently known in much reduced numbers in the Verdigris River. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

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Ouachita Kidneyshell Mussel (*Ptychobranhus occidentalis*) - Threatened: An obligate riverine mussel requiring clean-flowing water over gravel substrate. Known to occur at much reduced numbers in main stems and major tributaries of the Verdigris River. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) - Endangered: May occur as an uncommon seasonal transient or winter visitant. Prefers areas with large concentrations of waterfowl.

Piping Plover (*Charadrius melodus*) - Threatened: May occur as a rare seasonal transient at sparsely vegetated shorelines of stream, marshes, or impoundments. Threatened nationally.

Rabbitsfoot Mussel (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*) - Endangered: A riverine mussel requiring clear streams with sandy gravel substrates and moderate currents. Currently known in the Verdigris River. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*) - Threatened: May occur as an occasional seasonal transient and summer visitant at sparsely vegetated wetlands and impoundment shorelines.

Western Fanshell Mussel (*Cyprogenia aberti*) - Endangered: An obligate riverine mussel found in mud, sand, gravel, and cobble substrate, generally associated with riffles with less than three feet of water depth. Only scattered individuals have been recently documented in the Verdigris River. *Critical habitat has been designated.*

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: May occur as an occasional seasonal or summer visitant at wetlands and impoundments.