



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

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) - Threatened: Known to occur as regular winter resident along the Arkansas River. 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: 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 transient using plowed fields, heavily grazed pastures, burned grasslands, and prairie dog towns. 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 occasionally as seasonal transients or summer visitants near water areas where food (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 occur as an uncommon 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 occur occasionally as a summer visitant or seasonal transient on bare flats in wetlands, bare river sandbars, and open beaches at impoundments.

White-faced Ibis (*Plegadis chihi*) - Threatened: May occasionally occur in summer at wetlands and impoundments, but no nesting records.

Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*) - Endangered: May occasionally occur as seasonal transient. Stops to rest and feed at marshes and hay fields. Endangered nationally.