

**Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario (COSSARO)
Comité de détermination du statut des espèces en péril en Ontario**

Priority List for Species Assessment (as of August 2021)

September 28 – 29, 2021; VIRTUAL MEETING

Taxonomic Group	Common Name	Scientific Name	Current SARO List Status
Bird	Lesser Yellowlegs	<i>Tringa flavipes</i>	N/A
Bird	Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	Threatened
Bird	Short-eared Owl	<i>Asio flammeus</i>	Special Concern
Fish	Lake Chubsucker	<i>Erimyzon sucetta</i>	Threatened
Molluscs	Purple Wartyback	<i>Cyclonaias tuberculata</i>	N/A
Reptile	Common Five-lined Skink (Great Lakes / St. Lawrence population)	<i>Plestiodon fasciatus</i>	Special Concern
Reptile	Common Five-lined Skink (Carolinian population)	<i>Plestiodon fasciatus</i>	Endangered
Vascular Plant	American Water-willow	<i>Justicia americana</i>	Threatened
Vascular Plant	Kentucky Coffee-tree	<i>Gymnocladus dioicus</i>	Threatened
Vascular Plant	Lakeside Daisy	<i>Tetaneuris herbacea</i>	Threatened
Vascular Plant	Western Silvery Aster	<i>Symphotrichum sericeum</i>	Endangered

Amphibian	Allegheny Mountain Dusky Salamander (Carolinian population)	<i>Desmognathus ochrophaeus</i>	Endangered
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November 18 – 19, 2021; VIRTUAL MEETING

Taxonomic Group	Common Name	Scientific Name	Current SARO List Status
Reptile	Eastern Hog-nosed Snake	<i>Heterodon platirhinos</i>	Threatened
Vascular Plant	American Ginseng	<i>Panax quinquefolius</i>	Endangered
Mammals	Algonquin Wolf	<i>Canis</i> sp.	Threatened

NOTE: *Timing and duration subject to change as meetings are all assumed to be held virtually.*

COSSARO will adjust timing as necessary to ensure technical species assessment work is completed in a timely and professional manner and to allow adequate alert and attendance timing for observers and participants.

Timing will also depend upon the timing of assessment work completed by COSEWIC