

Form for Submitting Community Knowledge Information to COSSARO for Upcoming Species Assessment

Purpose: The Committee on the Status of Species at Risk in Ontario (COSSARO) classifies species based on the best available information related to rarity, declines, threats and vulnerability. COSSARO is seeking information from individuals or groups that is not otherwise available (for example, in the scientific literature or in government reports). Please use this form to provide COSSARO with information which you believe will assist in determining the conservation status of species to be assessed at an upcoming meeting. This information should be directly pertinent to the species' conservation status and should include actual numbers (or proportion change) and the area (location(s)) to which it applies. Opinions or comments on the consequences of status designations or possible conservation measures will not be considered by COSSARO.

Instructions: Please insert information for any relevant categories. Send this form by email to COSSAROSecretariat@ontario.ca.

Note: Observation data should be submitted to Ontario's Natural Heritage Information Centre. Instructions are available on Ontario's web page for [reporting rare species](#).

Species: _____

Precise location: _____

Habitat: _____

Observation dates: _____

Population trends and time periods: _____

Breeding status and evidence (successful?): _____

Behaviour: _____

Threats: _____

Mortality sources or trends: _____

Other comments: _____

Observer name*: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

*Person reporting (if other than Observer): _____

Date: _____

I give permission for COSSARO and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks to use this information: ☐ Yes ☐ No

I give permission for COSSARO, the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, and other associated parties (e.g., authors hired externally) to contact me for more information to support the conservation planning process, if applicable: ☐ Yes ☐ No

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