

Appendix C-15: State Listed Threatened or Endangered Species Known or Likely to Occur in Pipestone and Murray Counties

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Species	State Status	Habitat	County
Blackfoot quillwort <i>(Isoetes melanopoda)</i>	Endangered	An unusual aquatic microhabitat associated with bedrock outcrops of Sioux quartzite.	Pipestone
Blanding's turtle <i>(Emydoidea blandingii)</i>	Threatened	Wetland complexes and adjacent sandy uplands are necessary to support viable populations. Aquatic habitats can include meandering streams and rivers, fens, prairie marshes, backwaters, and oxbows. Upland habitats can include adjacent agricultural fields.	Pipestone & Murray
Burrowing owl <i>(Athene cunicularia)</i>	Endangered	Open, grazed pastures or native, mixed-grass prairies populated by burrowing mammals. Areas of intensive agricultural use are usually avoided.	Pipestone & Murray
Chestnut-collared longspur <i>(Calcarius ornatus)</i>	Endangered	Relatively dry and moderately grazed upland prairie, away from trees and shrubs.	Pipestone
Dakota skipper <i>(Hesperia dacotae)</i>	Threatened	Native dry-mesic to dry prairie, dominated by mid-height grasses, such as little bluestem, prairie dropseed, and side-oats grama. Larval stages require clump grasses that are not annually maintained (<i>i.e.</i> , little bluestem) and adults prefer flowering plants in the coneflower genus. Most productive sites feature some topographic variation.	Pipestone & Murray
Hair-like beak-rush <i>(Rhynchospora capillacea)</i>	Threatened	Calcareous fens (small, fragile, groundwater-maintained wetlands that have a deep accumulation of peat). Spring fens within large peatland complexes of forested regions.	Pipestone & Murray
Hairy water clover <i>(Marsilea vestita)</i>	Endangered	Margins of shallow prairie pools and ephemeral rainwater pools on rock outcrops. These areas are sparsely vegetated and receive direct sunlight. Can include outcrops in heavily grazed pastures.	Pipestone

Henslow's sparrow <i>(Ammodramus henslowii)</i>	Endangered	Uncultivated grasslands and old fields with stalks for singing perches and a substantial litter layer. Do not typically occupy heavily grazed areas.	Pipestone
Lichen species <i>(Buellia nigra)</i>	Endangered	Non-calcareous rock outcrops in exposed sunny areas, sometimes near the edge of hardwood forests.	Pipestone
Loggerhead shrike <i>(Lanius ludovicianus)</i>	Threatened	Native and non-native grasslands, including native prairie, pastures, old fields, shelterbelts, farmyards, and cemeteries.	Pipestone & Murray
Mud plantain <i>(Heteranthera limosa)</i>	Threatened	An unusual aquatic microhabitat associated with bedrock outcrops of Sioux quartzite.	Pipestone
Northern cricket frog <i>(Acris crepitans)</i>	Endangered	Shallow wetlands, lakes, streams, or rivers; rarely found in large lakes, wide rivers, or polluted sites. Prefer open areas with muddy shorelines and abundant emergent vegetation.	Pipestone
Ottoa skipper <i>(Hesperia ottoe)</i>	Threatened	Native dry-mesic to dry prairie dominated by mid-height grasses, such as little bluestem, prairie dropseed, and side-oats grama. Includes prairies on deep sands, on steep bedrock-controlled slopes, and on slopes and hills in unsorted glacial till.	Pipestone
Short-pointed umbrella-sedge <i>(Cyperus acuminatus)</i>	Threatened	The edge of shallow rock pools and the muddy margins of ponds and lakes.	Pipestone
Slender plantain <i>(Plantago elongata)</i>	Threatened	An unusual aquatic microhabitat associated with bedrock outcrops of Sioux quartzite.	Pipestone
Sullivant's milkweed <i>(Asclepias sullivantii)</i>	Threatened	Undisturbed, mesic tallgrass prairies.	Murray
Trumpeter swan <i>(Cygnus buccinator)</i>	Threatened	Small ponds and lakes or bays on larger water bodies with extensive beds of cattails, bulrush, sedges, and/or horsetail.	Murray
Western prairie fringed orchid <i>(Platanthera praeclara)</i>	Endangered	Remnant native prairies and sedge meadows with full sunlight on moist, calcareous till or sandy soils. Not in areas with a significant history of cattle grazing.	Pipestone

Wilson's phalarope <i>(Phalaropus tricolor)</i>	Threatened	Wet prairie, rich fen, and other grass- or sedge-dominated wetlands. The presence of short vegetation in or adjacent to shallow pools of open water is an important microhabitat feature. Can include flooded pastures and municipal wastewater stabilization ponds.	Murray
Wolf's spike-rush <i>(Eleocharis wolfii)</i>	Endangered	Habitat in Minnesota is poorly known, but previous observations made on the margins of rock pools in rock outcrops. Habitat in other range includes marshes and swamps.	Pipestone

Source: MDNR 2013a, MDNR 2013b, USFWS 2013a