

Aboriginal Fund for Species at Risk Species at Risk Stream¹ Regional Priorities 2017-2018

This is a simplified list of the 2017-18 Aboriginal Fund for Species at Risk (AFSAR) Species at Risk (SAR) Stream Regional Funding Priorities. For a more detailed list, as well as maps, and other details such as information on species-specific recovery actions, please contact your [AFSAR](#) Regional Coordinator.

The Regional Priorities along with the National Priorities help to guide funding decisions. Projects addressing Regional and/or National Priorities will be prioritized to receive funding; however, funding is not guaranteed. Regional Priorities are independent of each other; for example, a priority species does not need to be found in a priority area.

For information on National Priorities for these programs and to better understand how projects are reviewed, please see the [AFSAR](#) Call for Proposals.

AFSAR	Terrestrial Priorities			Aquatic Priorities		
Region	Species	Areas	Threats	Species	Areas	Threats
Atlantic	- SARA-listed bat species - Eastern Ribbonsnake - Wood Turtle - Piping Plover (melodus subsp.) - Woodland Caribou (boreal pop.)	- Coastal Beaches and Dunes - Southwestern Nova Scotia - Riverine and Riparian - St John River - Boreal Forest (Labrador) - Coastal Barrens and Arctic Tundra (Labrador)		- Mussels (Brook Floater and Yellow Lamp Mussel) - Short-nosed Sturgeon - Atlantic Salmon (Inner Bay of Fundy) - Lake Utopia Rainbow Smelts (LURS) - Banded Killifish		- Barriers to migration - Fishery Interactions: Bycatch - Fishery Interactions: Entanglement - Habitat Alteration - Invasive and introduced species
Québec	- Species of endangered bat in Quebec - Various species of turtle in Quebec - Monarch - Woodland Caribou (Boreal population)	- Coastal area of the Lower North Shore - Maple and Yellow Birch stands from the Ottawa Valley and Abitibi-Témiscamingue - Spruce-moss stand from the boreal forest of Nord-du-Québec - St. Lawrence River Valley	- Loss of habitat - Harvesting and collection	- Channel Darter - Beluga Whale (St Lawrence Estuary) - Bridle Shiner - Striped Bass (St Lawrence) - Eastern Sand Darter (Quebec)	- St. Lawrence Estuary and the Gulf of St. Lawrence (including tributaries used by anadromous and catadromous fish) - St. Lawrence River watershed (river section) and	- Commercial and sport fishing by-catch and entanglement in fishing gear - Loss and degradation habitat - Disturbance, associated with shipping and small crafts

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					Ottawa River watershed	
Ontario	- Acadian Flycatcher/Hooded Warbler - Massasauga Rattlesnake - Woodland Caribou, Boreal Population - Monarch - Henslow's Sparrow	- Bruce Peninsula - Huron Fringe - St. Clair Plains - Iroquois Shoreline - Norfolk Sand Plain		- Channel Darter - Pugnose Shiner - Eastern Sand Darter - Bridle Shiner - Grass Pickerel	- Lake St. Clair Drainage Basin - Grand River Watershed	- Dams - Nutrient, sediment and contaminant loading
Prairie	- Woodland Caribou (Boreal pop.) - Wood Bison - Monarch - Northern or Little Brown Myotis	- Tall-grass Prairie (MB) - Milk River Watershed (AB) - Milk River Watershed (SK) - South Saskatchewan River Sub-basin (AB) - Foothills Fescue (AB)	Destruction and degradation of large patches of remaining native prairie	- Bigmouth Buffalo - Westslope Cutthroat Trout - Mapleleaf Mussel - Western Silvery Minnow	- Milk River /St. Mary River Watershed - North and South Saskatchewan River Basin - South-western (eastern slope) Alberta	- Overexploitation or hybridization of Westslope Cutthroat Trout - Habitat loss or degradation - Loss of indigenous knowledge specifically related to aquatic species utilization of important habitats (i.e. habitats used for haul-out, feeding, spawning, nursery, overwintering, migratory corridor)
Pacific	- Woodland Caribou (Boreal and Southern Mountain Populations) - Northern or Little Brown Myotis - Vancouver Island Marmot	- Coastal Douglas Fir biogeoclimatic zone - Lower Fraser Valley from Chilliwack to the Fraser River delta - Ponderosa Pine biogeoclimatic zone - Bunchgrass biogeoclimatic zone - Creston Valley	- Introduction and spread of invasive species - Degradation of Critical and important Habitat caused by recreational activities	- Northern Abalone - Killer Whales - White Sturgeon - Large Whales (Blue, Fin and Sei Whales)	- Fraser River Watershed - Columbia River Watershed	- Illegal harvest (direct/indirect) - Invasive species - Vessel traffic in North and Central Coast
North	- Woodland Caribou (Boreal) - Peary Caribou - Northern or Little Brown Myotis			Bowhead Whale (Bering-Chukchi-Beaufort)	Areas of importance for marine mammals (i.e. areas used for haul-out, feeding,	- Habitat loss or degradation - Hit and loss of marine mammals - Loss of indigenous knowledge

					spawning, nursery, overwinterin g, migratory corridor)	specifically related to aquatic species utilization of important habitats (i.e. habitats used for haul-out, feeding, spawning, nursery, overwintering, migratory corridor)
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