

**Not R2 SS, But Should Be Considered for other
Emphasis Species Lists**

Recommendations and Evaluations

Common Name: Barrow's Goldeneye

Scientific Name: *Bucephala islandica*

Recommendation: **Not R2 SS, be should be considered for other Emphasis Species Lists**

Recommendation Rationale:

R2 is on the southern and eastern periphery of the species breeding range. Across much of its primary range, the species ranges from common to abundant in suitable habitat. In R2, breeding populations are small, limited to areas in northwestern Wyoming, and one isolated population on the White River and Routt NFs in the Flattops Wilderness of northern Colorado. Habitat is limited to a specific set of conditions (e.g., high density of snags in proximity to wetlands subsequent to beetle outbreak in the Flattops). The species is increasing across the northern Rockies, but trends in R2 are uncertain. Low reproductive rate and poor recolonization ability increases the risk to the species. The species is doing well across most of its range, but peripheral breeding in R2 is probably vulnerable. Therefore, we recommend an evaluation of the need for special management consideration (Forest Plan direction) by those units where it occurs.