

Not R2 Sensitive Species and Not of Concern

Recommendations and Evaluations

Common Name: Bell's Vireo

Scientific Name: *Vireo belli*

Recommendation: Not R2 Sensitive Species and Not of Concern

Recommendation Rationale:

This is a widespread species that is rated as G5. This species occurs in eastern Region 2 which is along the western periphery of the species range. This species is limited geographically in Region 2 to the southern half of South Dakota, Nebraska and central and eastern Kansas. Known breeding has occurred on the Bighorn NF and Black Hills NF. However, because R2 administered lands are on the western periphery of this species range and they provide only very limited suitable habitat, NFS lands do not contribute significantly to the conservation of this species. Habitat trends on NFS units appear stable or increasing due to better riparian management in recent years. For these reasons, SS designation does not appear warranted at this time.