

REGION 2 SENSITIVE SPECIES EVALUATION FORM

Species: (Scolopax minor/American Woodcock)

Criteria	Rank	Rationale	Literature Citations
1 Distribution within R2	A	High. R2 is on the western periphery of this species range. They are common in extreme eastern South Dakota and less common in eastern Nebraska and Kansas. They have expanded west along the Platte River in central Nebraska in recent years. They are casual visitors to other parts of R2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrews & Righter • Busby & Zimmerman • Oakleaf et al. • SDOU • Sharpe et al.
2 Distribution outside R2	C	High. This species Breeds in suitable habitat throughout the eastern U.S. and winters in the southeastern U.S.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ehrlich et al. • National Geographic Society
3 Dispersal Capability	B	High. Disperses relatively well through suitable habitat between summer and winter ranges.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ehrlich et al. • National Geographic Society
4 Abundance in R2	A	High. They are common in extreme eastern R2 and a casual visitor elsewhere.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carter et al. • BBS
5 Population Trend in R2	D	High. No data is available to predict population trends for this species in R2. Populations of this species have been declining since 1968.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carter et al. • BBS • Mcauley et al.
6 Habitat Trend in R2	D	High. Little is available on habitat trends for this species in R2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carter et al. • BBS
7 Habitat Vulnerability or Modification	D	High. Little is available on habitat needs for this species in R2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carter et al.

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8 Life History and Demographics	C	High. This species is on the National Partners In Flight, moderately high priority watch list. They nest in moist woodlands and boggy areas. They generally lay four eggs per nest and produce one brood per nesting season. They winter in the southeastern U.S. Pesticides pose problems for this species in parts of their range.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ehrlich et al. Pashley et al National Geographic Society
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National Forests in the Rocky Mountain Region where species is **KNOWN (K)** or **LIKELY (L)**¹ to occur:

<u>Colorado NF/NG</u>		<u>Kansas NF/NG</u>		<u>Nebraska NF/NG</u>		<u>South Dakota NF/NG</u>		<u>Wyoming NF/NG</u>	
Known	Likely	Known	Likely	Known	Likely	Known	Likely	Known	Likely
Arapaho-Roosevelt NF		Cimarron NG		Samuel R.McKelvie NF	B	Black Hills NF		Shoshone NF	O
White River NF				Halsey NF	B	Buffalo Gap NG		Bighorn NF	
Routt NF				Nebraska NF	O	Ft. Pierre NG		Black Hills NF	
Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, Gunnison NF				Oglala NG				Medicine Bow NF	
San Juan NF								Thunder Basin NG	
Rio Grande NF									
Pike-San Isabel NF									
Comanche NG									
Pawnee NG									

¹ Likely is defined as more likely to occur than not occur on the National Forest or Grassland. This generally can be thought of as having a 50% chance or greater of appearing on NFS lands.

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