

ATTACHMENT SS2

REGION 2 SENSITIVE SPECIES EVALUATION FORM

Species: ***Charadrius alexandrinus* – Snowy plover**

Criteria	Rank	Rationale	Literature Citations
1 Distribution within R2	C	This species is reported to be a common summer resident in Wyoming and eastern South Dakota. In Colorado it has been found breeding in only 15 locations in western valleys, mountain parks and eastern plains. Confidence in Rank High	•
2 Distribution outside R2	C	Breeds throughout western U.S. and Central Canada. They winter on large inland water bodies in the west and along the Pacific and Gulf Coasts south to central Mexico. Confidence in Rank High	•
3 Dispersal Capability	C	Moves readily between summer and winter range and moves considerable distances. Confidence in Rank High	•
4 Abundance in R2	C	This species is a locally common to abundant breeder and common to abundant during migration throughout the region. Confidence in Rank High	•
5 Population Trend in R2	D	Population is believed to be stable, but BBS population trend data is deficient for providing accurate population trend projections. Confidence in Rank Low	•
6 Habitat Trend in R2	B	Habitat both on and off NFS lands appears to be relatively stable. Confidence in Rank Moderate	•
7 Habitat Vulnerability or Modification	C	This species inhabits marshes and lakes and this habitat appears to have few threats in the region other than water draw down. Confidence in Rank High	•

