

ATTACHMENT SS2

REGION 2 SENSITIVE SPECIES EVALUATION FORM

Species: (Scientific Name/Common Name/National Code for Plants – USDA PLANTS) <b>Botta's pocket gopher subspecies T. botta's rubidus</b>			
Criteria	Rank	Rationale	Literature Citations
<b>1</b> Distribution within R2	<b>A</b>	Isolated around Canyon City, CO.  Confidence in Rank High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fitzgerald et al. 1994</li> <li>Armstrong. 1972</li> </ul>
<b>2</b> Distribution outside R2	<b>A</b>	R2 endemic, CO endemic.  Confidence in Rank High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<b>3</b> Dispersal Capability	<b>A</b>	Not vagile, insider.  Confidence in Rank High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<b>4</b> Abundance in R2	<b>A</b>	Actual population figures are lacking, but range alone indicates catastrophic events could be determined.  Confidence in Rank High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<b>5</b> Population Trend in R2	<b>D</b>	Info. lacking.  Confidence in Rank High or Medium or Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<b>6</b> Habitat Trend in R2	<b>B</b>	Believed to be stable, but declines may be likely if Canyon City grows.  Confidence in Rank Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
<b>7</b> Habitat Vulnerability or Modification	<b>B</b>	For reasons in 6.  Confidence in Rank High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>

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8 Life History and Demographics	B	Not long-lived but can have 5 young/year.  Confidence in Rank High or Medium or Low	•
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**National Forests in the Rocky Mountain Region where species is KNOWN (K) or LIKELY (L)<sup>1</sup> 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		Black Hills NF		Shoshone NF	
White River NF				Halsey NF		Buffalo Gap NG		Bighorn NF	
Routt NF				Nebraska NF		Ft. Pierre NG		Black Hills NF	
Grand Mesa, Uncompahgre, Gunnison NF				Ogalala NG				Medicine Bow NF	
San Juan NF								Thunder Basin NG	
Rio Grande NF									
Pike-San Isabel NF	X								
Comanche NG									
Pawnee NG									

<sup>1</sup> 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.