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Joint Committee on Ways and Means Subcommittee on Natural Resources  
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Subject: Sensitive, Threatened, and Endangered species in Oregon

Dear Co-Chair Frederick and Co-Chair Witt,

We offer the following response in regards to the question at the April 19, 2017 Joint Committee on Ways and Means Sub Committee On Natural Resources about how many State or Federally Threatened, Endangered or Sensitive Fish and Wildlife Species there are in Oregon.

Currently, there are 180 fish and wildlife species on the State Threatened, Endangered, and Sensitive Species list. There are 48 fish and wildlife species listed under the Federal Endangered Species Act living in Oregon. The table below shows the numbers of those fish and wildlife species listed as sensitive, threatened, or endangered by the state of Oregon or federal government.

	State		Federal		Fish & Wildlife	
	Fish	Wildlife	Fish	Wildlife	State	Federal
Sensitive	54	95	N/A	N/A	149	n/a
Threatened	6	8	20	10	14	30
Endangered	4	13	7	11	17	18
Total	64	116	27	21	180	48

Additionally, you will find two attachments listing all of the sensitive, threatened, or endangered species by the state of Oregon or federal government. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Regards,

Curt Melcher, Director  
Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife

Attachments:

# Attachment 1: Threatened, Endangered, and Candidate Fish and Wildlife Species in Oregon

Common Name	Scientific Name	State status*	Federal status
<b>FISH</b>			
Borax Lake Chub	<i>Gila boraxobius</i>	E	E
Bull Trout (range-wide)	<i>Salvelinus confluentus</i>		T
Columbia River Chum Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus keta</i>		T
Foskett Speckled Dace	<i>Rhinichthys osculus</i> ssp	T	T
Green Sturgeon (Southern DPS)	<i>Acipenser medirostris</i>		T
Hutton Spring Tui Chub	<i>Gila bicolor</i> ssp.	T	T
Lahontan Cutthroat Trout	<i>Oncorhynchus clarki henshawi</i>	T	T
Lost River Sucker	<i>Deltistes luxatus</i>	E	E
Lower Columbia River Chinook Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>		T
Lower Columbia River Coho Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>	E	T
Lower Columbia River Steelhead	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>		T
Middle Columbia River Steelhead	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>		T
Modoc Sucker	<i>Catostomus microps</i>		E
Oregon Coast Coho Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>		T
Pacific Eulachon/Smelt (Southern DPS)	<i>Thaleichthys pacificus</i>		T
Shortnose Sucker	<i>Chasmistes brevirostris</i>	E	E
Snake River Chinook Salmon (Fall)	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	T	T
Snake River Chinook Salmon (Spring/Summer)	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>	T	T
Snake River Sockeye Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus nerka</i>		E
Snake River Steelhead	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>		T
Southern Oregon Coho Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus kisutch</i>		T
Upper Columbia River Spring Chinook Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>		E
Upper Columbia River Steelhead	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>		T
Upper Willamette River Chinook Salmon	<i>Oncorhynchus tshawytscha</i>		T
Upper Willamette River Steelhead	<i>Oncorhynchus mykiss</i>		T
Warner Sucker	<i>Catostomus warnerensis</i>	T	T
<b>AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES</b>			
Columbia Spotted Frog	<i>Rana luteiventris</i>		C
Green Sea Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	E	T
Leatherback Sea Turtle	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>	E	E
Loggerhead Sea Turtle	<i>Caretta caretta</i>	T	E
Oregon Spotted Frog	<i>Rana pretiosa</i>		T
Pacific Ridley Sea Turtle	<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>	T	T
<b>BIRDS</b>			
Brown Pelican	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis californicus</i>	E	
California Least Tern	<i>Sterna antillarum browni</i>	E	E
Greater Sage-Grouse	<i>Centrocercus urophasianus</i>		C
Marbled Murrelet	<i>Brachyramphus marmoratus</i>	T	T
Northern Spotted Owl	<i>Strix occidentalis caurina</i>	T	T
Short-tailed Albatross	( <i>Diomedea</i> ) <i>Phoebastria albatrus</i>	E	E
Streaked-horned Lark	<i>Eremophila alpestris strigata</i>		T
Western Snowy Plover	<i>Charadrius nivosus nivosus</i>	T	T (Coastal population only)
Yellow-billed Cuckoo (Western population)	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>		T
<b>MAMMALS</b>			
Blue Whale	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>	E	E
Canada Lynx	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>		T
Columbian White-tailed Deer (Lower Columbia River population only)	<i>Odocoileus virginianus leucurus</i>		E
Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	E	E

Common Name	Scientific Name	State status*	Federal status
Fisher (West Coast DPS)	<i>Martes pennanti</i>		P
Gray Whale	<i>Eschrichtius robustus</i>	E	
Gray Wolf	<i>Canis lupus</i>		E <sup>1</sup>
Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	E	E
Kit Fox	<i>Vulpes macrotis</i>	T	
North Pacific Right Whale	<i>Eubalaena japonica</i>	E	E
Red tree vole (North Oregon Coast population)	<i>Arborimus longicaudus</i>		C
Sea Otter	<i>Enhydra lutris</i>	T	T
Sei Whale	<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>	E	E
Sperm Whale	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	E	E
Washington Ground Squirrel	<i>Uroditellus washingtoni</i>	E	
Wolverine	<i>Gulo gulo</i>	T	

**T= threatened, E= endangered, C= candidate, P=proposed DPS= Distinct Population Segment**

\* Listed under the Oregon Endangered Species Act (ORS 496.171 through 496.192)

1: The gray wolf is protected as endangered under the authority of the Federal Endangered Species Act: in Oregon west of highways 395, 78, and 95.

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## **Attachment 2: Oregon Sensitive Species List**

**[http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/diversity/species/docs/2016 Sensitive Species List.pdf](http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/diversity/species/docs/2016_Sensitive_Species_List.pdf)**

Link to list, will have to scan and paste the pdf if we want to include, please advise.